

CAREER NEWSLETTER

Week 2 - Term 1, 2019.

WELCOME TO 2019

You have just come back to school and if you are reading this, chances are that you are thinking about exploring your career and pathway options. It is never too early to start thinking about career ideas, researching your options, developing a career action plan, or simply having a discussion with your Career Adviser.

As a starting point, if you are interested in studying at **university or TAFE** in the future, please find below links to Facebook and YouTube accounts of several Victorian institutions. It is important to know that Swinburne University, RMIT, Victoria University, and Federation University have both university and TAFE divisions and that many TAFE institutes offer university degrees.

HIGHER EDUCATION – INSTITUTE LINKS

- **University of Melbourne** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Monash University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Deakin University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **La Trobe University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Victoria University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Charles Sturt University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **RMIT University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Federation University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Box Hill Institute** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Swinburne University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)
- **Australia Catholic University** – [Facebook](#); [YouTube](#)

If you are interested in pursuing a **traineeship or apprenticeship** pathway, it is important that you gain as much industry experience as possible. You can undertake work experience once you turn 15 years old. Seeing your Career Adviser early in the year is important to ensure you get organised early and to be able to start making links with local employers.

Even though you have just started the schooling year, your planning should start now. Australian Apprenticeship Pathways have developed an excellent four-step guide to assist you to start planning - <http://bit.ly/2E2R7T2>

Read through Step One and take the work type explorer quiz, download the AusAppPathways app to your phone, and complete practice aptitude quizzes to ascertain the level of literacy and numeracy skills you will need for different occupations.

You can also do the following during the year to prepare for an apprenticeship:

- Meet with your Career Adviser to start planning your professional trade career
- Undertake work experience in several fields or with several employers in the same field. See your Career Adviser for information on how to arrange work experience.
- Contact industry leaders and associations in your fields of interest to ask questions.
- Contact local apprenticeship centres and/or group training organisations to ask their advice on what makes a competitive apprenticeship applicant. Use the following website to locate organisations in

your local area - [Find My Apprenticeship Network Provider](#).

- Work hard in your English and Mathematics classes and VET/technology/science subjects if relevant. With advances in technology occurring across all apprenticeship fields, it will be crucial that you can read and interpret complex information and instructions, and adapt to changes in technology during your apprenticeship and once qualified.
- Sign up to social media pages for industries you are interested in to keep up to date with changes to industry technology, skills shortages, and events. For example:
 - [Bricklaying](#)
 - [Plumbing](#)
 - [Construction](#)
 - [Agriculture](#)
 - [Defence Force](#)

It is important to read the Career Newsletter each fortnight and follow the [Careers Facebook](#) to ensure that you keep up to date with upcoming career events. Find helpful links and resources on the [Careers page](#) of the School website.

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VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS AND EVENTS

Careers with the Victoria Police

Victoria Police provides policing services to the state's community 24 hours a day, seven days a week, working to keep over six million people safe. They are currently in the midst of their biggest recruitment drive ever, looking to recruit over 3,000 new Police Officers, as well as additional Protective Services Officers and Police Custody Officers by 2021.

In addition to policing roles, Victorian Public Servants work across more than 500 locations in Victoria, playing supporting roles in specialist professions such as IT, law, communications, recruitment, forensic science and many more.

Year 12 students may be interested in starting their application at the end of the year. As a Victoria Police Officer, employees will have access to great benefits, including generous leave entitlements and ongoing training throughout their career.

- [Victoria Police Careers](#)
- [Recruits TV Series](#)

The following weblink provides information on:

- Experience and attributes recruitment are looking for in applicants (e.g., part time employment, global travel, volunteering, participating in sport)
- Entrance exam preparation materials
- Information on the benefits of a career in policing
- Link to the Police fitness app

Go to <https://bit.ly/2Gm3aLl>

A Police Careers Information Session will be run at Clayton on Wednesday 20 February, 6pm – 8pm and Melbourne on Thursday 21 February, 5.30pm – 7.30pm. For information and to register your place, go to <https://bit.ly/2WDPb9g>

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Victoria Police Work Experience Program

Applications for Year 10 Work Experience with Victoria Police are now being accepted by Mr Martin. Email smartin@moamagrammar.nsw.edu.au to receive an application pack. Applications close 4 March.

Each school can nominate **one** student to participate in the program for the school year. Students must be a minimum of 15 years of age at the time of placement and completing Year 10. Applications will only be considered if all required forms are completed correctly and signed accordingly.

Due to the popularity of the program and to ensure fairness to all students and schools, Victoria Police will be allocating students to placements based on a ballot. Schools will be randomly selected and allocated to a nominated preferred police station/department unit. Please be advised that the nomination of a student does not automatically guarantee a placement.

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Learn about careers through Virtual Reality (VR)

Learn about careers in hospitality, manufacturing, construction, and creative industries through viewing 360° VR workplaces developed by SkillsRoad. You will be able to jump inside the world of work and experience a day in the life of workers within the above industries, <https://bit.ly/2BkOWZu>

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Work Experience at the Australian Defence Force

The Defence Force provides work experience opportunities across Australia. To search for upcoming work experience placements and to bookmark the page, go to <http://bit.ly/1MGymwl> You can learn about jobs in the Army, Navy and Air Force via the Defence Jobs YouTube Channel, <http://bit.ly/1QoBraH>

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Gap Year in the Army, Navy and Air Force

The Australian Defence Force Gap Year program provides an opportunity for young Australians who have finished Year 12 to experience military training and lifestyle whilst gaining new skills and pay over their Gap Year in the Army, Navy or Air Force. You will earn more than \$45,000, have subsidised accommodation and full medical and dental coverage. Applications will open in March. For information and to register to receive updates on the program via email, go to <http://bit.ly/1dVvxxV>

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Calling all High School film makers

As part of their annual Martini Film Festival & Awards, JMC Academy hosts the High School Mocktail Film Awards. To enter, you will need to submit a short film (e.g., film, documentary, animation, television commercial, film clip) by Sunday 3 March. To find out more and to submit your film, go to www.jmccademy.edu.au

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Beyond School Study Guide

The Australian Government has published a comprehensive guide to assist students and their parents navigate the world that is beyond school. [Beyond School Study Guide](#) provides information about tertiary study options and government help. Check out the factsheets for HELP loans, different pathways to university, and compare what study might look like in higher education and vocational education and training (VET). This study guide will help you make important decisions about your future studies.

The StudyAssist website provides further information and support, covering topics such as:

- [How to get into higher education](#) – for each state and territory
- [Career Quiz](#) - if you're unsure what to study
- [Compare courses and providers](#) – to make informed decisions
- [Scholarships](#) available to students.

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