

CAREER NEWSLETTER

Week 4 - Term 1, 2019.

NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDYING MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

If you are in Year 12 and plan to apply for any of these health science courses to start in 2020, you may need to sit the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT).

The UCAT is a two-hour, computer-based test which assesses a range of mental abilities identified by universities as important to practicing in the fields of medicine and dentistry.

It consists of five separately timed subtests which each contain a number of questions in a multiple-choice format.

You will sit the test in July 2019 and selected universities use your UCAT results as part of the selection process, in conjunction with your ATAR and HSC results, and in some cases an interview.

You will only have one chance to sit the UCAT this year and you will need to register for a Pearsons VUE online account by the 16 May and book the test by the 17 May. Applications open on the 1 May, 2019. It will cost you around \$298 to sit the test and you will be able to receive your results straight away.

You have the choice to start preparing for the test early. There are several private companies who offer commercial preparation programs – www.nie.edu.au/ and www.medentry.edu.au/ are examples.

It is important to note that the universities who use the UCAT **do not endorse any of these companies** and you can access free preparation materials from the UCAT site at www.ucat.edu.au/ucat-anz/practice-tests/.

Please go to www.ucat.edu.au/ucat-anz/ for more information about the UCAT, to see if you have to sit the test, and to register for the test.

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VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Moama Anglican Grammar Careers Program

The Careers Program at Moama Anglican Grammar begins in Year 9 with Careers classes and the Echuca Moama Beacon Foundation. It continues in Year 10 with the Morrisby career assessment, Careers Camp to Melbourne and Work Experience. Students are then supported through Years 11 and 12 as they prepare for post-school options – employment, Vocational Education and Training (VET) or tertiary study. For more information see the links below:

[Year 9 Careers](#)
[Year 10 Careers](#)

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University of Melbourne - George Hansen Scholarship

The University of Melbourne’s new flagship equity scholarship opens for applications on 1 March. Twenty exceptional students from around Australia, starting their undergraduate studies at Melbourne in 2020, will be chosen in the first intake for the scholarship. The program brings together a package of benefits for high-achieving students who may otherwise struggle financially to access higher education.

It offers free accommodation, living allowances, funds for an international exchange, internship or voluntary opportunity, plus a tailored enrichment program including academic orientation, study skills, mentoring and cultural activities. For information and to book for one the upcoming information sessions, go to <https://bit.ly/2IB4IDC>.

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Interested in studying hair, beauty, fashion and/or make-up?

The Masters Institute of Creative Education is Australia’s only integrated creative education provider offering vocational courses in hair, beauty, fashion and make-up and a Bachelor degree in Fashion Business. Courses are offered at Melbourne and Sydney. An information session is being run at the Melbourne campus on Thursday 21 February. For information on courses and to RSVP for the information session, go to <https://themasters.institute/>

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Passionate about all things automotive?

Have you considered a career working with cars? Vantage Automotive is an organization dedicated to assisting students to forge a career in the automotive industry. They work with Volvo, Skoda, Audi, Jaguar, Land Rover and Volkswagon. To read about the amazing work they do and student testimonials, go to <http://bit.ly/1MLU82s>

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Careers in the Defence Force

There are many occupations in the Defence Force that you may be suited to. Your ability to apply for the occupation of your choice will be affected by your level of education, the subjects you have studied at school and your age. To narrow down which occupations you can apply for, use the Defence Force “Job Finder”. You just enter your personal details and select your general career interest areas and a list of jobs will be generated. Go to www.defencejobs.gov.au/ You can also watch videos about different occupations and the recruitment process at this link - <http://bit.ly/1vdEGtY>

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Australia National University (ANU) - applications open soon for courses, accommodation and scholarships

From March, Year 12 students who are planning to study at ANU in 2020 (or defer their studies until 2021) will be able to apply for courses, accommodation and scholarship in the one online application direct to the university. Students will be able to apply for ANU courses via the Universities Admissions Centre later in the year subject to ANU program availability. For information on dates and the new admissions process, go to <https://bit.ly/2WVbyHn>

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Do you have a passion for science and the ocean?

Have you considered studying one of the amazing programs at the Australian Maritime College located in Tasmania? They offer courses in:

- Ocean & coastal seafaring
- Maritime engineering – marine & offshore systems; ocean engineering; naval architecture
- Marine Engineering & Marine Electrical Engineering
- Nautical Science
- Global logistics and maritime management

To learn about their programs, go to www.amc.edu.au/

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Do you love maths, science and health?

Have you considered studying biomedical engineering? “Biomedical engineering sits at the intersection of technology and human biology – applying the latest developments in computing, robotics and nanotechnology to medicine to ensure a better life for all of us.

Biomedical engineers create new technologies that improve disease diagnosis, find new and better ways of patient monitoring, revolutionise medical treatment and so much more”.

You can specialise in areas such as:

- Biomechanics
- Biosignal Processing
- Medical Imaging
- Biomaterials
- Neural Engineering
- Computational Modelling
- Tissue Engineering
- Surgical Instruments and Medical Devices
- Telehealth

“If you’re fascinated by human anatomy and curious about artificial intelligence and robotics then you’re going to love exploring biomedical engineering”. UNSW have put together a website featuring different types of biomedical engineering and profiles of students and alumni, <http://bit.ly/1oWGNAd>

The following are examples of biomedical engineering courses:

- University of Melbourne: Master of Engineering (Biomedical), <http://bit.ly/2kCNOIM>
- RMIT: Bachelor of Engineering (Biomedical) (Honours), <http://bit.ly/2eFbRji>
- Monash University: Master of Advanced Engineering (Medical Engineering), <http://bit.ly/2Hq14Z3>
- Swinburne University: Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) majoring in Biomedical Engineering, <http://bit.ly/2sAOp27>
- University of Newcastle: Bachelor of Medical Engineering (Honours), <http://bit.ly/2CsWRA7>
- UNSW: concurrent Bachelor of Engineering degree (e.g., Electrical) with a Master of Biomedical Engineering, <http://bit.ly/2EMbDap>

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Work Experience at Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE)

You can apply for work experience at one of the following AIE campuses – Melbourne, Canberra, Adelaide or Sydney. You will be able to explore courses and careers in 3D animation, programming, interactive entertainment and digital industries. For information, go to <https://bit.ly/2SCcJfN>

Work Experience at Echuca Regional Health

ERH have introduced an exciting work experience program for Year 10 students. Two places will be available in each of the following streams – Nursing/Medical; Allied Health; Corporate Services; Engineering; HR/Admin. This is a 5 day placement during our Year 10 work experience week (25-29 November) and students will rotate through various departments within their chosen stream. Students will need to apply online with a cover letter and resume. Students will then be short-listed for an interview before final selection is made.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Charles Sturt University- 'Explore Day' seminars

Explore Day's showcase over 40 courses at 6 campuses. The upcoming Explore Day at Wagga Wagga in April will focus on courses in Animal Science, Veterinary Science, Equine Science, and Veterinary Technology. For information on dates, go to, <https://bit.ly/2GmQV1b>

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Monash University- 'Inside Monash' seminars

These events showcase different courses and faculties within the University. Dates run over several months and students have to book in advance. For information on dates, go to <http://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>

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Monash University - Information Evenings

Staff from Monash will be visiting regional areas during the year to meet with prospective students and their families. The next event will be held at Mildura on 19 March. For information on dates and locations, go to <https://bit.ly/2pt8nsT>

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The University of Melbourne – 'Meet Melbourne'

Representatives from the University will be running online information sessions to advise students and parents about courses, graduate outcomes, housing options, scholarships and student services. Online sessions will be held on 12 and 14 March and are open to prospective students and their families. For information and to register, go to <https://bit.ly/2S7X2Zn>

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The University of Melbourne - A Day at Melbourne

This event is being held during the Term 1 holidays for Year 10 students. You will learn about:

- Undergraduate degrees and graduate pathways
- Admissions and entry requirements
- Access Melbourne and Melbourne Scholarships
- Accommodation options
- How parents can help with the transition to university.

The event will be held on 12 April. Information hasn't been released yet but you can book-link the following page for updates, <https://bit.ly/2S7X2Zn>

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Experience Clever at La Trobe University

These events are designed for future students to get a taste of what it's like to be a La Trobe student for a day. You will be able to: chat with staff and course advisers, participate in structured workshops focused on your desired career/course and talk to student ambassadors about studying at La Trobe. Parents are welcome. Upcoming dates are as follows:

- Melbourne – Friday 12 April and Friday 5 July
- Albury-Wodonga – Friday 31 May
- Bendigo – Wednesday 3 July

For more information and to register your interest, go to <http://bit.ly/1Rilhxz>

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Interested in nursing?

The Australian College of Nursing is hosting a Nursing and Health Expo on Saturday 27 April at The Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre between 8.30am – 1.30pm. You will be able to:

- Meet a range of nursing and health organisations
- Explore career pathways
- Find out about educational opportunities

For more information, go to <https://bit.ly/2lw332H>

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Short courses in arts/design at RMIT

RMIT offers short and single courses taught by experienced lecturers and established artists. Courses include photography, drawing, lithography, sculpture, jewellery, casting, and molding etc. RMIT also offer folio preparation courses. For more information, go to <http://bit.ly/2nTkDAJ>

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- **21: Information Night**, Masters Institute of Creative Education, Melbourne, <https://themasters.institute/>
- **25, 27, 28: Hansen Scholarship Program Information Evening**, University of Melbourne. Ballarat (25), Bendigo (27), and Shepparton (28), <https://bit.ly/2tqoveP>

MARCH

- **6: Hansen Scholarship Program Information Evening**, University of Melbourne, Parkville, <https://bit.ly/2tqoveP>
- **8: Latitude Global Volunteering**, priority deadline applications due, <https://latitudeaustralia.org/>
- **12, 14: Meet Melbourne**, University of Melbourne. Online information sessions, <https://bit.ly/2S7X2Zn>
- **19: Monash University Information Evening**, Mildura, <https://bit.ly/2pt8nsT>
- **27: Inside Monash Seminar**, Monash University, Clayton, Business, <http://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>

APRIL

- **3 - 30: Inside Monash Seminars**, Monash University, MD & Biomedical Science (3), Science (4), Criminology (30), Law (30), <http://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>
- **12: Experience Clever Day, La Trobe University**, Melbourne campus, <http://bit.ly/2p07y7b>
- **12: A Day at Melbourne**, University of Melbourne, Parkville. Information to be released, <https://bit.ly/2tqoveP>
- **18: Simulated UCAT Day**, NIE, Adara Richmond, <https://bit.ly/2UY8SHx>
- **27: Nursing Careers Expo**, Australian College of Nursing, Melbourne, <https://bit.ly/2lw332H>

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