

CAREER NEWSLETTER

Week 10 - Term 2, 2019.

FOCUS ON AGRICULTURE

Agriculture isn't just farming- It is focussed on "the entire food chain, managing the environment and minimising the impact of human endeavours on natural resources". About 50% of all jobs in the agriculture industry are in capital cities. These jobs include environmental management, research, development, agribusiness and education. Most people in agriculture work full time. The demand for agricultural science graduates grew strongly over the past 5 years and around 5000 job openings will be available by 2024, <https://bit.ly/2HZWFel>. There is also an ongoing demand for agricultural science graduates with economics and management training, source- <https://bit.ly/2lc3tYk>

Experts are needed in the areas of:

- Sustainable farming practices
- Land management
- Land conservation
- Climate change practices
- Food security
- Agricultural research and policymaking.

Students can specialise in areas such as:

- Economics, marketing
- Animal and plant biotechnology
- Catchment management
- Climate change impacts
- Crop management and production
- Plant and soil science
- Nutrition and feed production
- Sustainable production and consumption
- Water management

Technology is advancing rapidly in agriculture and students are advised to study maths, sciences and business at school. Students who don't want to work 'on the land' have many opportunities to work in cities and in offices.

Courses

The following are examples of agriculture courses you can study:

- **La Trobe University:** You can study Agriculture and Technology, Agricultural Sciences, and Agribusiness, <http://bit.ly/1FGtcP0>
- **University of Melbourne:** You can study the Bachelor of Agriculture, <http://bit.ly/1BWdaib>
- **University of Tasmania:** You can study Agriculture and Business, Agricultural Science, and Agriculture, <http://bit.ly/1cleoa4>
- **Charles Sturt University:** You can study Agriculture, Agricultural Science, Agricultural Business Management, and Ecological Agricultural Systems etc., <http://bit.ly/1MkDAj6>
- **University of New England:** You can study Agribusiness, Agricultural and Resource Economics, Agriculture, Agrifood Systems, Animal Science and Rural Science, <http://bit.ly/1KSOtZc>
- **Longerenong College:** you can study Agribusiness, Agronomy, Agriculture and Woolclassing, <http://bit.ly/2sGcMcT>
- **Marcus Oldham:** you can study Agribusiness and Agriculture, <http://bit.ly/1wEGiuc>

Key websites

- Career Harvest, <http://bit.ly/1f0m8jW>
- Agrifood Careers, <http://bit.ly/1MEcG6D>
- Download the Science: Taking you places resource, which has a focus on primary industries- <http://bit.ly/1S6hsh0>
- Rural Skills Australia - Rural Careers Guide, <http://bit.ly/1i2mTt7>

Scholarships

- Career Harvest, scholarships - <https://bit.ly/31yXmX0>
- Good Universities Guide, <https://bit.ly/2upv1oW>

Interesting articles from The Footnotes

- 15 hours in a coal mine
- On the phone with a meat trader
- Inside an environmental engineering office
- On the phone with a carbon farmer
- On the phone with a commodity adviser in grain marketing
- Inside Agriculture Business at Charles Sturt University

You can access the stories at <https://bit.ly/2WOfmXl>

Join the **Pre-Ag Club** at The University of Melbourne (yr 9 – 12 students), <https://bit.ly/2KskUrt>

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VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Do you need a Tax File Number (TFN)?

If you are planning to get a job or if you would like to study at university or TAFE next year, you will need a TFN. You will need to apply for a TFN – these aren't issued automatically. To start the application process, go to <http://bit.ly/2aLCSjJ>

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Need help finding a job?

The Youth Central website has excellent resources to assist young people in finding casual and part time employment. Go to <http://bit.ly/1T6hG57>

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Have you considered a career in comedy?

Collarts is a private college located in Fitzroy and Collingwood. They have just announced two new courses – Diploma of Dramatic Arts (Comedy) and Bachelor of Dramatic Arts (Comedy).

The courses are perfect for students who are wanting to work in the comedic side of the arts and entertainment industries. You will be taught and mentored by industry experts who are currently working within many sectors of the industry including theatre, film, television, radio and podcasting.

You will undertake fundamental units in comedy performance, comedy writing, production, and entrepreneurship, you will gain the knowledge and skills to develop and manage a career in the

entertainment industry.

Students will develop a showcase of their work to achieve a position as a comedic artist, with performance, creation, and production knowledge, which the industry seeks.

For information, go to <https://bit.ly/2RiuyqJ> and attend the Collarts Open Day on Saturday 31 August, <https://bit.ly/2LoPShE>

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New course at Monash: Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics

This elite degree is designed for deep thinkers who want to have a real impact on shaping our society.

Students will study the inter-relationship between politics, philosophy and economics.

Core study requirements will develop their ability to think critically about analysis, strategy and leadership and they will learn how to transform big ideas into tangible results.

Selection: Indicative ATAR- 90 plus interview, English and Maths requirements. For more information, contact Georgina Gibson via email georgina.gibson@monash.edu or on 03 9902 0344.

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Unique learning model at Victoria University

Victoria University is the first Australian university to use a 'block' model of learning, where you study one unit at a time rather than juggling several at once. The VU Block Model offers you more one-on-one time with educators in an immersive, collaborative learning environment. It develops your confidence and independence as a learner, setting you up for success in your degree and beyond. You'll study in short bursts, called blocks. Each block focuses on one unit (subject) and is only four weeks long, with up to four days between blocks to relax and prepare for the next.

The year is broken up into 10 four-week blocks: two semesters of four blocks each, plus two optional blocks over winter and summer.

According to the University, the retention rate and number of high distinctions has increased since implementing the model in 2018. To learn about the model, go to <https://bit.ly/2Izrgld>

Read about Emily Gannaway's experience studying the Bachelor of Early Childhood Education at VU, <https://bit.ly/2RpTK56>

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Kangan Institute

Kangan offers both vocational and higher education courses across several campuses in Victoria. The Institute has just released their TAFE to university pathway programs and have partnered with universities such as Swinburne, Deakin, RMIT, La Trobe, Federation and Charles Sturt. If you're concerned you may not achieve the ATAR you need for your desired uni course, check out the pathway options at Kangan, <https://bit.ly/2gWD5qe>

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Echuca/Moama VTAC Community Information Evening

Wednesday 24 July, 6:00pm at Rich River Golf Club.

The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) will be holding an open community information session.

The session will cover information about applying to universities, TAFE institutes and independent tertiary colleges within Victoria; as well as information about the ATAR, scaling, special consideration, scholarships and offers.

This event will be of particular relevance to students in Year 12 who are considering their tertiary study options and their parents, as well as anyone in the community considering further study as a mature age applicant. Students in Years 9-11 and their parents may also find the session helpful for investigating course options, choosing subjects and career planning.

The information session will start at 6:00pm and be followed at 7:00pm with a Careers Expo. The Expo will feature local representatives to provide information regarding opportunities for apprenticeships, traineeships and gap year employment. Representatives from 19 different tertiary institutions will also be present to provide information about course content, tertiary study options and answer questions.

Come along to find out everything you need to know about getting to university, TAFE, or tertiary college.

Swinburne Discover Design Program

Discover Design is a creative school holiday program for Year 10–12 students who would like to learn more about design careers, courses and pathways. Participants will develop a design portfolio, broaden their problem solving and designthinking skills and work in teams—just like in a real design studio! Choose between a 3-day program (9-11 July 2019) \$180 and an optional Day 4 - ½ day portfolio workshop on 12 July \$60. To participate in both the 3-day program and ½ day portfolio workshop you will need to purchase both tickets (\$240 in total). The price includes lunch. For information and to register your place, go to <https://bit.ly/2VPzr6v>

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Monash Year 10 Discovery Day

This is the perfect opportunity for students to get a taste of what it's like to study at uni. There will be a jam-packed schedule with faculty-run workshops as well as info sessions to give students hints and tips on how to achieve a top ATAR score. The following workshops will be offered:

- Arts: criminology for the 21st century
- Monash Business School: step into the share market
- Education: engineering in action
- Information Technology: cyber criminality and technology
- Law: experience a criminal trial
- Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences: discover the importance of nutrition during the VCE
- Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science: chemistry of medicines

The day will held on Thursday 4 July between 8.50am - 2.00pm at the Clayton campus. For information and to register your place, go to <https://bit.ly/2Xqrrcg>

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Monash University Campus tours

Clayton and Peninsula campuses: have a guided tour of the Clayton and/or Peninsular campuses. Dates are running between 1 – 19 July, <https://bit.ly/2TNzRIP>

Engineering: tour the Engineering Faculty and learn about courses, pathways, and entry requirements on the 12th of July. To book your place, go to <https://bit.ly/2W81rxZ>

Faculty of Medicine, Nursing & Health Science: you will be able to tour the learning labs, the new Biomedical Learning and Teaching building and try out the clinical labs and simulation environments in nursing, radiography, physiotherapy, OT and paramedicine. Spaces are limited, so registrations are essential, <https://bit.ly/30vFOWj>

Science: tour the Science precinct and learn about courses, pathways, and entry requirements. Multiple dates are available during the school holidays, <https://bit.ly/2kd197T>

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La Trobe University Experience Clever Day

Prospective students and their families are invited to participate in the 'Experience Clever' program at the Bendigo campus on Wednesday 3 July and the Melbourne Bundoora campus on Friday 5 July. You will be able to:

- Participate in three workshops of your choice or a 'Clever Talk'
- Speak to course advisers
- Participate in a campus/accommodation tour

Examples of course areas covered at the event include:

- Biomedicine, Physics, Anatomy, Physiology
- Nursing & Midwifery, Physiotherapy & Podiatry, Orthoptics, Paramedicine, Occupational Therapy, etc.
- Commerce, Bloomberg Trading Room, Accounting, Economics & Finance
- Media Industries & Communication, Journalism
- Events Management, Marketing, and Public Relations

Registrations are now open, <http://bit.ly/2p07y7b>

Book a one-to-one course advice session

Prospective students and their families can book one-on-one consultations at any La Trobe campus and will receive tailored course and career advice. In some instances, campus tours can be arranged. To book a one-on-one consultation, go to <https://bit.ly/2IRGI3M>

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Deakin Inspire Days

Deakin University is hosting Inspire Days at the Burwood and Geelong campuses. You will be able to listen to amazing guest speakers, participate in two hands-on events, and speak to current lecturers and students. The following are examples of workshops that are running:

- Criminology careers
- Experience journalism, digital media and public relations
- Controversies in criminal law
- Exercise and sport science: learn from the number 1 ranked sport science school in Australia
- Health sciences: learn how to solve health issues on a global scale
- Design & construction: how they work together
- Environmental engineering: solve environmental challenges in an everchanging future
- Guided mobile photography tour
- Study abroad at Deakin
- Entering the unknown: a parent's guide to university
- Find your inner marketer
- Sports management – separate yourself from the crowd
- Nursing: experiencing hands-on skills in nursing
- Nutrition: nourish your appetite to learn about food and health
- Psychology: understand the human mind
- Engineering: begin at Burwood
- IT: experience the digital future
- Ice-cream factory with liquid nitrogen
- Accommodation tour
- Film, television & animation
- Health & physical education scavenger hunt
- Design a computer game
- Preparing STEM students for the real world of work

Dates are: Geelong Waurn Ponds campus, Tuesday 2 July and Burwood campus, Thursday 4 July. For more information and to register, go to <https://bit.ly/2rOrbh5>

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Tertiary Open Days

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Calendar of Events

JUNE

- **18 - 25: Information Evenings**, Victoria University, various dates and sessions, <https://bit.ly/2XU317d>
- **18 – 26: My Future**, The University of Melbourne, various dates and sessions, <https://bit.ly/2DNfjac>
- **18 – 25: Inside Monash Seminars**, Monash University, various dates and sessions, <https://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>
- **23: Global Career Hotel Experience**, The Hotel School Melbourne, Grand Hyatt Melbourne, <https://bit.ly/2DQr6V5>
- **25, 26: Explore Day**, Charles Sturt University. Wagga Wagga (25) and Albury-Wodonga (26)

campuses, <https://bit.ly/2T1AFoJ>

- **27: Animal Careers Discovery Day**, RSPCA, Melbourne, <https://bit.ly/2KGpb7a>

JULY

- **1 – 15: JMC Academy**, High School Workshops, South Melbourne, <https://bit.ly/2IPF9vA>
- **2 – 30: Meet Melbourne Uni**, Warrnambool (2), Wagga Wagga (16), Albury (17), Geelong (24), Shepparton (30), <https://bit.ly/2S7X2Zn>
- **2 - 31: Health Courses Information Sessions**, Deakin University, <https://bit.ly/2r0rbh5>
- **2, 5: Experience Day**, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne (2), Ballarat (5), <https://bit.ly/2UIoH4P>
- **2, 4: DeakInspire**, Deakin University, Geelong Waurn Ponds (2), Burwood (4), <https://bit.ly/2Eal29c>
- **3, 5: Experience Clever**, La Trobe University, Bendigo (3), Melbourne (5), <https://bit.ly/2JrjI8f>
- **4 – 5: MAJOR HACK 2019**, The University of Melbourne, current Year 11 & 12 students, Parkville, <https://bit.ly/2LrwunQ>
- **6 – 13: Victorian Indigenous Engineering Winter School**, <https://bit.ly/2tr0VPa>
- **9 – 13: Experience Monash Indigenous Winter Camp**, <https://bit.ly/2J2czt0>
- **11: Inside Monash Seminars**, Monash University, Science careers & industry engagement, <https://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>
- **23 – 31: Health Science Courses – Information Sessions**, Deakin University, <https://bit.ly/2qHNIHe>
- **24: Echuca /Moama VTAC Community Information Evening**, 6:00pm at Rich River Golf Club.

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