1. 2014 TERTIARY OPEN DAYS

University and TAFE Open Days commence soon. They are a great way to find out more about courses, collect printed information, talk to staff and students and look at the facilities.

OPEN DAY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:
Saturday 2nd August: Monash University (Berwick and Peninsula campuses)
Sunday 3rd August: Deakin University (Warrnambool campus), Monash University (Caulfield and Clayton campuses), Swinburne University
Sunday 10th August: ACU (Melbourne campus), Deakin University (Geelong campus), RMIT University and TAFE (Bundoora, Brunswick, City campuses)
Sunday 17th August: La Trobe University (Bendigo campus), University of Melbourne, Monash University (Parkville campus)
Sunday 24th August: Box Hill Institute, Deakin University (Burwood campus), La Trobe University (Bundoora campus), Victoria University, William Angliss Institute
Sunday 31st August: ACU (Ballarat campus), Federation University (Ballarat and Gippsland campuses)

2. HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF OPEN DAY VISITS

Don’t wander aimlessly around the campus....try the following:
• Obtain an Open Day Guide (usually downloadable from the University / TAFE website.
• Plan to be at the Open Day when relevant information sessions are scheduled
• Allow sufficient time for your visit; two hours or so would be advisable
• Speak to staff about courses which interest you - note your questions beforehand
• Obtain a student perspective - speak to students studying courses which interest you
• Collect information / brochures
• Ask about industry based learning (IBL) opportunities; these can assist with gaining future employment
• Ask about international study opportunities
• Consider transport issues; is the campus accessible from where you live?
• Check the environment where you will study; will you be happy there for three or four years or more?
• Look at the facilities / clubs offered at your preferred institution
• Consider visiting a rural campus, especially if you think you won’t obtain a high enough ATAR for a metropolitan campus. Clearly – In’s are often lower at country campuses, classes may be smaller and more personal assistance may be available. Accommodation is available and the lifestyle may suit some students.

NOTE: If you plan to apply for a course involving an interview or folio presentation or audition as part of the selection process, attendance at Open Day is A MUST! You might be asked what you learned /saw / enjoyed / who you spoke to at Open Day when you present for your interview.

3. OPEN DAY AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY

Victoria University Open Day will take place on Sunday 24th August from 10:00am – 4:00pm at the Footscray Park Campus. VU invites you to attend Open Day to discover how they can help you find and plan your career path. There will be the opportunity to talk to lecturers and students and learn what University is all about. The day is packed with information sessions, interactive displays and hands on workshops to help you experience what
life is like as a VU student. VU is well known for solid connections with business and industry. Some of these partners will be at Open Day so you can hear from them how a VU education gives you access to world class resources and workplace learning opportunities, providing you with the knowledge, skills and experience to be job ready on graduation. As the Federal Budget 2014 -2015 may have a significant impact on students' tertiary education, VU Vice-Chancellor Peter Dawkins will be providing an overview of the proposed changes and what this means in a practical sense for students who intend to pursue their career of choice by studying at VU. Also, don't forget to register for your chance to win great prizes: http://www.vu.edu.au/open-day-2014/register-to-win/?utm_source=vu&utm_medium=edm&utm_campaign=Careers%20Advisors%20Newsletter%20July%202014&n=Careers%20Advisors%20Newsletter%20July%202014&ct=0VIC%20July%202014%20-%20Melbourne

4. LA TROBE OPEN DAYS

Open Day is your chance to ask questions about your future course, meet current students and get a feel for the La Trobe campuses. Course information, campus tours and more will be available so students can get a taste of University life before commencing at La Trobe in 2015. Dates for 2014 are: Shepparton campus, 8th August; Mildura, 13th August; Bendigo, 17th August; Melbourne (Bundoora), 24th August and Albury-Wodonga, 29th August. Register now for updates on the events and go into the draw to win the ultimate travel prize: http://latrobe.custhelp.com/ci/documents/detail/2/keep.

5. ACU OPEN DAYS

Open Day is a great opportunity for prospective students to find out everything they need to know about studying at ACU. Students can meet academics and ACU students, discuss entry options and talk to experts about their career goals. Entertainment and food is provided and they there will be guided campus tours to showcase the ACU facilities. Students can also download the free ACU Open Day app and programme, allowing you to plan your day and view information session times. Melbourne Campus Open Day: Sunday 10th August, 10:00am – 4:00pm, 8 – 20 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. Ballarat Campus Open Day: Sunday 31st August, 10:00am – 3:00pm, 1200 Mair Street, Ballarat. To download a copy of the programme or free smart phone app visit: http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/future_students/undergraduate/experience_University_before_you_start/events/open_day?_cldee=Y2JvcmdAYWl0a2VuYWVsbGVnZS5ZHUUyYXU%3d&utm_source=ClickDimensions&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Careers%20Advisors%20Newsletter%20July%202014%20-%20Melbourne

6. KANGAN OPEN DAYS

Experience the Kangan state of the art facilities and live demonstrations at the Open Days at four Kangan campuses. Broadmeadows is open on Saturday 2nd August, 10:00am – 4:00pm; Docklands is open on Saturday 9th August from 10:00am – 4:00pm; Richmond on Sunday 24th August from 10:00am – 4:00pm and Tuesday 26th August from 4:30pm – 6:30pm and Moonee Ponds is open on Saturday 30th August from 10:00am – 4:00pm. As well as the opportunity to talk to staff there will be entertainment and prizes at each event.

7. INTERVIEWS SKILLS – SOME TIPS

According to James Lynch (Interview Skills Coach), if you look up Interview Tips on the internet, a million links will appear with a variety of tips. As a guest speaker at an industry based PD recently, James was asked “What is the best bit of advice you can give us in relation to being more successful in interviews?” His answer is from the employer’s perspective: “We
know what you want, but you need to think about us! What are our needs? What are our expectations? What do we want to see you do and achieve?” So here is James’ KISS principle for Interviews:

- Tailor your story and achievements to best meet the employer’s needs and requirements. (Research the company / employer, understand their job advert, read between the lines and tailor your background accordingly.)
- Become comfortable with selling your skills and achievements and use successful “prove it” outcome statements that target their expectations. (Practice your responses.)

James also suggests students should view the following link: “What not to do on the way to an interview.”

https://www.youtube.com/embed/JHixeIr_6BM?rel=0&autoplay=1&iv_load_policy=3

8. APPLYING THROUGH VTAC FOR TERTIARY COURSES FOR 2015 ENTRY

The application process for University and vocational education places is undertaken via an organisation called the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC). Applications are completed online at: www.vtac.edu.au. Applications open on Monday 4th August and will cost $28.00 if input by 30th September. More information will be available at our Year 12 VTAC Information Night on Monday 4th August. Please put this date in your diary – it is a MUST attend.

9. THE MELBOURNE CAREERS EXPO

This is a careers and education event with more than 180 exhibitors from many occupations in attendance. Information will be available from Universities, TAFE and private providers, there will be opportunities to ‘try a trade’, seminars, GAP year information and information about government student services. The Expo will take place from 15th – 17th August at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre. Further information: info@careereexpo.com.au or www.careereexpo.com.au. (NOTE: Free tickets are available from this website).

10. MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS
RE PHARMACY AND PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCE

Monash Parkville campus will hold an ‘Open House’ from 10:00am – 3:00pm on Sunday 17th August. Pharmacy will also be represented at Monash Clayton’s Open Day on Sunday 3rd August. Further information: www.monash.edu/pharm/openhouse.

11. MONASH MEDICINE, NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES UPDATE

- Physiotherapy: as previously advised the UMAT is not required for 2015 entry. An interview is still required and will be offered to applicants based on their academic record.
- Radiography and Medical Imaging: an interview has been introduced as an extra requirement as part of the application process for this degree. Applicants will be invited to attend an interview based on their academic performance. The interview will involve four MMI (Multiple Mini Interview) stations. To learn more about radiation oncology careers you can visit: www.acareerinradiationoncology.com.au.
- Direct Entry MBBS – Monash is the only Victorian University offering Year 12 students the option of undertaken a medical degree as an undergraduate. There are 242 places for domestic
students and 65 places for internationals.

- Discontinued courses for 2015: the B. Nursing and B. Emergency Health (Peninsula campus). To obtain a similar qualification by studying at Monash, students can undertake a B. Nursing followed by a Master of Emergency Health or a B. Emergency Health (Paramedic) followed by a Master of Nursing Practice. The B. Health Science and B. Business (Caulfield campus) has also been discontinued.

12. ARE THERE STILL JOBS IN JOURNALISM?

At a conference at Monash University, Career Practitioners heard about opportunities in journalism. We learned that Journalism is not in decline; it is newspapers that are in decline and that many people confuse newspapers with journalism, but they are not the same thing. The digital era that is destroying the old business model in journalism is also opening up new opportunities. Jobs in the media are fragmenting with online opportunities proliferating. We are entering an age where we can combine all media to tell our stories. Skills needed to be a Journalist in the modern world include enterprise, independence and resourcefulness. Journalists need to think critically, understand the concepts of evidence and impartial argument, find stories, research, interview, write, edit, know the difference between good / bad writing and have digital skills in content creation and distribution. In addition by learning the skills of journalism you will also be a good fit for jobs in many other areas such as PR, communications, speechwriting and producing. Journalism can be studied at most Victorian Universities.

13. WHAT ABOUT A CAREER IN SURVEYING?

Surveying offers opportunities for those looking for a diverse and varied career. There is a strong national demand for surveyors so graduates are able to secure jobs on completion of their degree. Surveyors work indoors and outdoors, take precise measurements using specialised technology and analyse and interpret the results. Students interested in maths, geography, physics and science could be suited to this career. More information is available at: https://aibs.com.au/education.

14. THE B DESIGN TECHNOLOGY AT DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

Manufacturing and product development companies are becoming smaller and adopting more diverse interests and product lines. The industry needs versatile, technologically minded people with design, project management and organisational skills to drive innovation. Commencing in 2015, Deakin’s B. Design Technology qualification has design and innovation as the core focus. By undertaking this degree students will gain design skills for application in technological settings and an understanding of using technology to enhance design and product development. Graduates will be able to create and design consumer, sports, medical and industrial products. The degree is located on the Waurn Ponds campus and the prerequisite is Year 12 English.

15. B PLANNING (HONOURS) AT DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

As cities grow, there is increasing demand for planners to manage change. This new Deakin degree brings together disciplines of planning, design, urban studies and society in one degree. It is located at the Geelong (Waterfront) campus, is 4 years full time and the prerequisite is Year 12 English.
16. **DEAKIN NURSING AND MIDWIFERY INFORMATION SESSIONS**

Burwood campus: 2:30 – 4:30pm, Saturday 26th July, Building Y, room 1.11 A and B; Geelong Waterfront campus: 6:00 – 8:00pm, Wednesday 23rd July and 2:30 – 4:30pm, Saturday 26th July, Building AD, room 2.217; Warrnambool campus: 7:30pm, Friday 25th July, Warrnambool City Centre Campus. Further information: telephone 9244 6032 or visit: [www.deakin.edu.au/nursing](http://www.deakin.edu.au/nursing). To register email: nursinfo@deakin.edu.au, indicating the session you will attend.

17. **LA TROBE UNIVERSITY ASPIRE APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN**

Applications are now open for the new Aspire early admissions programme, an initiative that recognises the community service achievements of secondary school students. Applications for all La Trobe courses are available now as part of the new Aspire early admissions programme. Local students can apply for a wide selection of courses under the programme. They will not only receive an early offer to study in Semester 1, 2015, but also access to a support programme which includes VCE revision lectures, mentor support from a La Trobe University student ambassador and access to the library. To be considered for Aspire, students must provide a written statement detailing their community involvement; this could be through the school, sports or cultural clubs, or volunteering. La Trobe will then contact the applicant’s school principal seeking a recommendation. Applications opened on 1st July and close on 31st August, 2014. Offers will be made to successful applicants as early as September. Information on how to apply along with a 'How to apply' video is available via the Aspire web page: [http://www.latrobe.edu.au/school/aspire](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/school/aspire).

18. **HEALTH SCIENCES JOINS VCE PLUS**

The VCAA have approved Economics and Human Biosciences subject pairs to be offered as part of the VCE Plus program in 2015. The Human Biosciences subjects are core first year subjects for almost all Health Science courses. Successful completion of a pair of VCE Plus subjects earns students an ATAR bonus and the opportunity for Advanced Standing in related courses. Visit the VCE Plus website for the full list of subjects on offer in 2015: [http://www.latrobe.edu.au/school/vce-plus](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/school/vce-plus). Applications for the 2015 programme are now open. High achieving Year 11 students who meet the eligibility criteria outlined on the La Trobe website are welcome to apply. Application forms and an application checklist are available online. For more information email VCE Plus at: vceplus@latrobe.edu.au, or telephone the Future Students Centre on 1300 135 045.

19. **MONASH UNIVERSITY: NEW ARTS DEGREE FOR 2015**

The B Global Studies will be introduced in 2015. This is a unique course with a focus on Leadership for Social Change. This course enables students to apply the knowledge they acquire to the global challenges facing cultures and communities throughout the world, such as, peace and conflict; the rich-poor gap and crime and justice. The degree features core university subjects focussing on leadership development, a broad range of multidisciplinary electives, an overseas study component, a choice of three specialisations (in International studies,
International relations, or Global cultural literacies) and the option of a double degree with Commerce or Science. Underpinning this course is a focus on the practical application of knowledge and skills to real life scenarios, which could take the form of an internship or a research project. The B Global Studies will equip students with sharp analytical skills and flexible, imaginative and well informed approaches to complexities underlying global challenges.

The B Global Studies replaces the following courses in 2015: B Arts (Global); B Arts (International); B Arts (Languages).

For more information, register to attend an information session on Wednesday 13th August, 6:30 – 7:30pm at the Monash Caulfield campus, Building H, Room 1.16. RSVP email to Georgina Gibson at: arts-future@monash.edu.

20. NEW COURSE IN 2015 AT MONASH: TWO YEAR B INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

The Faculty of Business and Economics is about to launch an exciting new business degree: the B International Business, which will help students’ fast track their global career. Commencing in February 2015, this specialist degree is suited to highly motivated Year 12 students who are interested in experiencing the fast paced environment of global business. Delivered in a trimester model, the course will develop students’ knowledge and skills and prepare them for the international economic, financial, political, legal, managerial and strategic environment of business. With an innovative approach to the way the course is delivered, students will be part of a diverse international cohort and will work in smaller, focused groups, reflecting the cross cultural network of international business. The degree will also offer students practical opportunities that provide a global perspective; including the option to study abroad or participate in an industry work placement. The new degree will be taught in a specially designed city campus at the heart of Melbourne’s business hub. For more information, visit: www.monash.edu/bib

21. LAW AT MONASH

The Monash Law Faculty has undertaken a major curriculum review of the B Laws degree. The new B Laws (Honours) degree will commence from 1st January 2015. Along with all other Australian law schools, Monash is adjusting their Law degree in response to the needs of the legal profession and to ensure it is aligned with contemporary developments in legal education. The course is also compliant with the AQF qualification requirements. The review was undertaken partly in response to the need for periodic rejuvenation of courses; including alignment with contemporary developments in legal education and was also driven by external factors, most notably the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). From 1st January all new students will be enrolling in the new B Laws (Honours) degree, which is an AQF level 8. This means that students will be required to undertake a research unit and a commercial law unit as part of their degree. Find out more about the new Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree by visiting: www.law.monash.edu.au/future-students/undergraduate/new-bachelor-of-laws-honours-degree.html. Visit the website: monash.edu/business-economics/undergraduate/courses for updates.

22. HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHAT A CAREER IN HEALTH PROMOTION ENTAILS?

People who work in the health promotion industry plan and implement projects to improve the health of individuals and the
They can be involved in any number of tasks including: planning and coordinating health promotion programs for community groups at the local or national level, providing health education and teaching skills to help people make informed health decisions, planning and advocating for changes to environments to support healthy lifestyle choices, supporting organisations to develop policies that build healthier communities, workplaces and environments, supervising and coordinating community workers and volunteers, evaluating projects and initiatives to measure their success and improve them for the future. Careers can include: community development worker, community educator, community engagement officer, fundraising manager, health promotion officer / coordinator, health promotion planner, health and social planner, partnerships manager, patient programs officer, policy and health promotion manager, population health lead program coordinator / manager, project officer / worker, research assistant, team leader / project manager and volunteer coordinator. Deakin offers a number of options for students interested in pursuing a career in health promotion. In the B Health Sciences you can major in health promotion. You can also choose a second major to specialise in a certain area of health promotion, such as environmental health, nutrition, physical activity and health, or people, society and disability. Deakin also offers the B Public Health and Health Promotion, a specialised degree with placement options to give you valuable work experience in a health promotion workplace. Both degrees will enable you to become a member of the Public Health Association of Australia. For more information on careers in health promotion you can visit the following websites:

Infoxchange Jobseeker Community and non profit jobs: www.jobseeker.org.au/category/state/victoria

Pro Bono Australia Jobs in the not for profit sector: www.proboonoaustralia.com.au/jobs/category/100

Department of Health and Ageing:

Department of Health (VIC):

Victorian Government jobs Community, healthcare and nursing jobs:
careers.vic.gov.au/vacancies

HACJobs: www.hacjobs.com.au

Health jobs: Here you will find employment opportunities in a range of disciplines in State Government funded health services:

SEEK: www.seek.com.au When searching, type in ‘Health Promotion’ as a keyword and use the classification ‘Community Services and Development’.

23. B ARTS (CRIMINAL JUSTICE):
NEW PROGRAMME AT MOUNT HELEN CAMPUS (BALLARAT)

FedUniversity is now offering the popular B Arts (Criminal Justice) at the Mount Helen Campus (Ballarat). This programme addresses the complex issue of crime and the way in which it affects the lives of us all. Students will develop a better understanding of crime, crime prevention and the criminal justice process and will learn to analyse and evaluate traditional, innovative and radical alternatives for dealing with crime. This course is ideal for students looking at careers in the police service (state and federal), courts, corrections, government departments, private security firms, crime commissions, law reform commissions and roles within the Office of the Ombudsman. The B Arts (Criminal Justice) is also available at the Gippsland Campus and via Online Learning. For more information visit:
www.federation.edu.au/criminaljustice