1. **USEFUL WEBSITE SHOWING TRENDS IN VICTORIAN INDUSTRIES**

Twice a year the Victorian government publishes factsheets that show industry trends, training, job opportunities and skills that are in demand. Visit this website for further information:


2. **A CAREER IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE TECHNOLOGY**

The RMIT 3 year undergraduate B Applied Science (Medical Radiations) – Nuclear Medicine is the only programme of this type offered in Victoria. Prerequisites for the course are: Units 1 & 2 - Chemistry or Biology and Units 3 & 4 a study score greater than 25 in English and a study score greater than 20 in Mathematical Methods (CAS) or Specialist Mathematics. Up to five scholarships per year may be awarded to students with an ATAR greater than 85 who enter nuclear medicine at RMIT immediately after completing Year 12. The scholarships, provided by the Victorian Department of Health, are each worth $10,000 over the three year programme. In the degree you will study nuclear medicine specific subjects, as well as anatomy and physiology, pathology, digital imaging, radiation dosimetry, imaging anatomy, medical physics and instrumentation, hospital law and ethics, psychology, research methods, CT, ultrasound and MRI. Graduates from RMIT must complete a year of supervised clinical practice, called an internship, in Victoria. Candidates apply for an internship in a cluster of three workplaces which offer varying experiences; a training wage is paid. A monthly education programme is provided for all interns at St Vincent’s Hospital. Practitioners work in public hospitals, private hospitals or private clinics, in both metropolitan and regional areas. Experienced technologists may have extra responsibilities in areas such as the radiopharmaceutical laboratory, PET / CT scanning, student supervision, quality assurance, management or research. A qualification in nuclear medicine can also lead to a career in ultrasound, sales, applications and support, management, academia, IT and public health administration.

3. **THE AUSTRALIAN APPRENTICESHIPS PATHWAYS WEBSITE: INDUSTRY CAREER INFORMATION AND QUIZZES**

This website provides career information about particular industries, useful links for further information, job hunting hints and a quiz you can use to look at the skills and aptitudes you need for particular industry pathways. The Practice Aptitude Quiz is intended to be a general illustration of some of the key learning standards required of people attempting an Australian Apprenticeships entry level qualification in the industry and focuses on literacy, numeracy, comprehension and problem solving questions specific to the industry. These quizzes are a great way for students to gain an understanding of what employers and training providers will expect of them if they undertake an apprenticeship or traineeship.

There are approximately 30 industries showcased on the website. For more information visit:


4. **THE ACU ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAMME**

ACU’s Elite Athlete Programme awards up to five bonus points for students who have demonstrated an elite level of sporting achievement. The University helps members of the Elite Athlete Programme to pursue flexible study options in order to meet competing training and competition requirements. An elite athlete is someone who has been identified as such by the Australian Institute of Sport, a State Institute (or Academy) of Sport or a relevant national association such as the AFL Players Association or the Australian Cricketers...
Association. Students who apply to ACU and wish to be considered for this scheme must submit an Elite Athlete Programme Additional Information (E) form by 31st October 2014. Visit: http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/alternative_entry/elite_athlete_program for more information and to submit an application.

5. THE ACU EARLY ACHIEVERS’ PROGRAMME (EAP)

Through the EAP, ACU looks for students who understand the importance of working toward the common good and have a willingness to make a contribution to their communities. One of the biggest benefits of the programme is that successful applicants receive an offer well ahead of the usual tertiary admissions announcements. See full information and application details on EAP at: http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/alternative_entry/early_entry. Applications are open now until the 20th October 2014.

6. ACU SUBJECT BONUS

If Year 12 students have shown outstanding achievement in subjects relevant to their chosen degree they will receive up to five bonus points to add to their raw aggregate score. Subject bonus points are automatically applied through VTAC when an ACU course is listed as a preference – there is no need to apply separately. View the list of courses and subject bonuses available at: http://www.acu.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0015/216222/VTAC-accessACU_2015_Finalv2.pdf?cldee=Y2JvcmdAYWI0a2VuY29sbGVnZS5lZHJUuYXU%3d&utmsource=ClickDimensions&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2014%20Student%20Recruitment%20%7C%20Careers%20Advisory%20Newsletter%20September%20Victoria.

7. ACU BALLARAT ACCOMMODATION APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Applications are now open for students wishing to live away from home and attend ACU Ballarat. Applications will be open until 31st October and then will reopen from 19th January 2015, after first round offers. Please note there is a $50 application fee associated with the application process. For more information visit: http://students.acu.edu.au/services/accommodation/ballarat_residential_services.

8. STUDY A LANGUAGE AT LA TROBE

When you study a language at La Trobe University you gain access to an invaluable source of new information and experiences. Most students can learn a language while they complete their degree. By studying a language, you can develop a deeper understanding of it within the context of its cultural, literary, social and religious origins. La Trobe offers the following languages: Chinese, French, Greek, Hindi, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese and Spanish. Find out more about getting started and how you can take your language skills abroad by visiting: http://www.latrobe.edu.au/humanities/languages.

9. FOLIO PREPARATION INFORMATION NIGHT AT NCAT

The NCAT one year full time course immerses students in art and design and provides graduates with a wonderful folio as an entry tool for tertiary visual art and design courses. Students are assisted in developing their folios and skills and with selecting the “right” tertiary course for further study from the dozens available. Cert IV qualifications in Design and Visual Arts are offered at minimal cost. The Northern College of the Arts & Technology is an accredited National Training Provider without tuition fees. Studies with NCAT do not affect students’ eligibility for further Government funded VET studies under the Victorian Training Guarantee. An information evening will be held on Monday 13th October, 6:00 – 7:00pm at NCAT, 62 Murray Road, Preston to allow students and their parents to view the facilities and meet with staff and current students to ask questions. Further information is available at: http://ncat.vic.edu.au/folio-preparation or you can telephone 9478 1333. This is an excellent way to develop an outstanding folio for tertiary entry.
10. THE LA TROBE HALLMARK PROGRAMME FOR HIGH ACHIEVERS

This elite undergraduate programme for high achieving students is embedded into the course structures of participating courses. The programme offers an international study tour, cross disciplinary project activities, Honours research, mentoring, group work and a generous scholarship. Applications are via three different Course Groups each with specific prerequisites that need to be met to be eligible for selection. Selection into a Course Group guarantees entry into any of the courses listed within that Course Group. Visit the Hallmark programme website for more information and full VTAC application instructions: http://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/hallmark-program/apply.

11. ENGINEERING AND COMPUTING SPECIAL ADMISSION SCHEME AT ANU

A new special admissions scheme has been introduced by the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science for domestic students who achieve a minimum ATAR of 80, but do not achieve the required ATAR for direct admission to Engineering, Software Engineering or Advanced Computing. This scheme provides the opportunity for students to demonstrate aptitude, motivation, and interest in these disciplines if they believe they won’t meet the direct admission requirements. Note that applications close 3rd November. For more information, eligibility and application details please visit: http://cecs.anu.edu.au/future_students/sas.

12. AN EXCELLENT RANKING RESULT FOR ANU

The Australian National University has been ranked 25th in the world and is the highest ranked Australian university by the QS Top Universities rankings. ANU Acting Vice - Chancellor, Professor Margaret Harding said: “It is the energy and quality of ANU staff and students that is reflected in our international reputation for excellence. Every day at ANU, people do extraordinary things that change the world for the better.”

13. NECA SKILLS CENTRE OPEN DAY

This will take place on Thursday 16th October, 10:00am – 7:00pm, at 1024 Lygon Street, Carlton North. At the Open Day the Electrical Skills Centre will be showcased and you will be able to view hands on electrical work, listen to sessions on how to become an electrician, how to gain employment as an electrician and tips on resume writing and interview skills. There will be demonstrations and a lucky door prize. You will be able to undertake an electrical quiz to see whether you have the knowledge needed to undertake an electrical pre apprenticeship. NECA is the largest employer of electrical apprentices in Victoria. You can telephone 9389 9942 for more information or visit their website at: www.necaskillscentre.com.au.

14. NEW SECONDARY EDUCATION COURSES AT SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY

The following new Education – Secondary courses are being offered in 2015 at the Swinburne Hawthorn campus: Education (Secondary) (course code: 3400210321); Education (Secondary) / Arts (course code: 3400210341); Education (Secondary) / Business (course code: 3400210311) and Education (Secondary) / Science (course code: 3400210331). These degrees engage students in innovative approaches to teaching and learning as well as the ability to reflect on social, ethical and contemporary issues associated with global education and classroom learning. Students complete three professional placements at a secondary school for a total of 80 days. Students will be prepared to become future educational leaders and innovators. Graduates will be qualified secondary school teachers with specialisation in at least two teaching disciplines and will be qualified to teach from Year 7 to Year 12. Graduates can apply for registration in all Australian states and territories.

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