



Careers Newsletter

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➤ **JOBJUMP - PARENTS AND STUDENTS PLEASE WATCH YOUTUBE VIDEO AND SIGN UP**

Sign up to JobJump for information about tertiary study options, ATAR's and apprenticeship and TAFE information. Create a resume, sign up for news alerts.

To register go to <https://www.jobjump.com.au/>

Search school – St Pius X Chatswood

Register with an email address (use a private address, not spx)

Password – pius (lower case)

Parent information: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZoyckJwvVg&feature=youtu.be>

➤ **DEFENCE FORCE INFORMATION SESSIONS – NSW – NOVEMBER**

November 6

[Sydney Defence Technical Engineering Information Session](#)

Wednesday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | Sydney Defence Force Recruiting Centre

November 12

[Sydney Cyber and IT Information Session](#)

Tuesday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | Sydney Defence Force Recruiting Centre

November 13

[Sydney Navy Careers Information Session](#)

Wednesday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | Sydney Defence Force Recruiting Centre

November 18

[Sydney Defence Careers Information Session](#)

Monday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | Sydney Defence Force Recruiting Centre

November 19

[Sydney Army Reserve Information Session](#)

Tuesday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | Sydney Defence Force Recruiting Centre

➤ SYDNEY DESIGN SCHOOL | OPEN DAY

9 November 2019, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sydney Design School, Oxley Street

If you're passionate about becoming a professional Interior Designer or Interior Decorator, then join Sydney Design School for our next free event and find out more about our world-class accredited courses. Come to Open Day and get a feel for life in our creative community, meet our inspiring Educators and find your perfect course option.

Bring family and friends and get hands on building an interiors mood board, play with 3D modelling or walk through our student work exhibition.

Our Director Amanda Grace will take you through our course options and give you a comprehensive introduction to our School community.

Find out more: <https://sydneydesignschool.com.au/information-sessions/>

➤ UTS | DISCOVER NURSING

13 November 2019, 5:30 pm

University of Technology Sydney

Get a taste for what you can study in nursing at UTS at one of our Discover Nursing sessions. Find out more about our undergraduate courses at an info session, then head on a tour of our world-class facilities.

Find out more: <https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/health/why-health-uts/events-and-brochures/discover-sessions>

➤ ADMISSION SECRETS OF US & UK UNIS WITH APPLICATION WORKSHOP

14 November 2019, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Sofitel Sydney Wentworth

When it comes to studying at top US and UK universities, many families may know some of the basics, but it takes much more than that to gain admission at some of the world's top universities.

If you're in Year 8-12 or a parent wanting to learn more, this information evening will give you an unparalleled insight into the amazing education opportunities and life experience that comes from studying overseas.

Attendees will learn the basics about US & UK universities:

- The exams, essays and interviews to apply overseas
- The required HSC / IB scores
- An application timeline from Year 8 to Year 12
- Sport scholarships to US Colleges
- The improved job prospects for US & UK graduates

Beyond the basics, Harvard graduate and Crimson Education Australia Manager, Shori Hijikata, will run a 45min application workshop covering topics that you won't find anywhere else including:

- A breakdown of where students fail through the application process
- The impact of extracurriculars – what universities actually look for
- Essay insights – brainstorming your most important piece of writing
- Beyond the Ivy League and Oxbridge – an application strategy case study

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/admission-secrets-of-us-uk-unis-with-application-workshop-syd-registration-76698620639>

➤ **SUPPORT SERVICES AT ANU: A WEBINAR FOR FUTURE STUDENTS, PARENTS & CARERS**

19 November 2019, 5:30 pm

Online

The transition from school to university is an important moment not only for students, but also for their families. This Webinar, hosted by the Student Engagement and Success team, was prepared to answer any questions parents and carers may have about ANU, from the moment the students move to Canberra to the development of their academic life. The Student Engagement and Success team provides a range of programs and services to enable students to learn and grow intellectually, socially and professionally during their time at ANU, supporting their transition into, through and beyond university.

If you are planning to study at ANU or are the parent of a future student, register now to participate on this webinar and send questions about support services, mental health, safety, moving to Canberra, and much more.

Find out more: <https://www.anu.edu.au/study/events/domestic-undergraduate-webinar-support-services-at-anu-a-webinar-for-future-students>

➤ **SAE | MASTER OF CREATIVE INDUSTRIES WEBINAR**

20 November 2019, 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Online

SAE's Master of Creative Industries can help creators like you become a leader in your field. This unique course offers a flexible and interdisciplinary online learning experience whilst fostering collaboration with like-minded creative peers across the SAE network. You'll also get unlimited access to SAE's state-of-the-art facilities and equipment across Australia and the world. The Master's webinar gives you an insight into the program and how SAE can help you realise your creative potential.

Find out more: <https://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events/webinar-master-of-creative-industries/?date=2019-11-20&id=1127>

➤ **CQUNI | ONLINE CHAT SESSION**

26 November 2019, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Online

Thinking about starting a TAFE or university qualification in 2020? If you're considering CQUniversity, you probably have a few questions.

Get to know CQUniversity a little better at our Online Chat Session, whether it's in relation to your course of interest, student support services, or anything else to do with studying with us, our staff will be on hand to provide you with the answers.

Register online to receive reminders and instructions on how to chat with our team.

All online event times are Australian Eastern Standard Time and chats are conducted through Facebook Messenger.

Find out more: <https://www.cqu.edu.au/courses/eforms/online-chat-registration>

➤ SAE | INFO NIGHT

Byron Bay: 28 November 2019, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Sydney: 28 November 2019, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Find your true calling with the leading global specialist in creative media education.

We're opening the doors to our state-of-the-art Byron Bay and Sydney campuses as an opportunity for you to check out the facilities and equipment, meet with lecturers and ask any questions you might have about studying at SAE before the next intake in January. If you're considering studying creative media come along to SAE's Info Night to speak to our experienced team and learn how you can pursue your passion in this dynamic and expanding industry. Talk to current students and learn about life at SAE and discover the types of career opportunities that await you after graduation.

We offer Bachelor, Diploma and Certificate courses in Animation, Audio, Design, Film or Games, in a relaxed and friendly learning environment. You can begin your creative career now! Find out more: <https://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events/>

➤ AIM | OPEN DAY

30 November 2019, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Australian Institute of Music, Foveaux Street

Wondering if you have what it takes to make it in the music and entertainment industry?

Come join us at AIM Open Day to find out!

Discover | See our vibrant campus come to life with free performance workshops, demonstrations, displays, career overview talks and more!

Get Involved | Enjoy live performances and experience a range of fun interactive activities. Plus take part in our industry feedback panel sessions.

Find Out More | AIM Open Day is the perfect opportunity to discover our range of unique and specialised degree programs. Meet teachers, students and alumni, chat to industry experts and explore your course options with our friendly admissions advising staff.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/aim-open-day-2019-sydney-tickets-69373689573>

➤ MEDVIEW | UNCOVERING THE UCAT

30 November 2019, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

UNSW Sydney

This event is an introduction to studying for the UCAT and offers insights from a UCAT expert and a detailed exploration of each section of the UCAT. If you have questions about the sitting the UCAT, or you are interested in learning about how MedView can help you prepare, be sure to attend this event.

MedView offers bespoke packages to help students prepare for the UCAT, which are tailored to your individual needs. Join us at this event to benefit from our industry-leading expertise in medical admissions in Australia and New Zealand.

MedView's 'Uncovering the UCAT' event will include:

- An introduction by our UCAT expert on UCAT Basics, including a detailed evaluation of each section of the exam
- Guidance on which medical schools are part of the UCAT Consortium
- Tips of preparing and studying for the UCAT
- Sample questions from our expert UCAT Tutors
- Q&A to conclude the session

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/uncovering-the-ucatsydney-tickets-69988133391>

➤ **MEDVIEW | GET INTO MED**

8 December 2019, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Parramatta RSL Club

Medical school admission is becoming an increasingly difficult task.

The number of medical school places has doubled in Australia and New Zealand over the past 15 years, but as supply has increased, so has demand. As more students become aware of the exciting career prospects of a medical practitioner, medical school competitiveness becomes stronger and stronger.

To obtain the ever-elusive medical school place, students must be well-informed of their personal, philosophical and professional reasons for pursuing medicine.

Get into Med: first steps to becoming a doctor will deep-dive into the world of medical school admissions. Presented by current medical students, the 2 hour program entails:

- Do you really want to be a doctor? We'll do a full-body CT scan of the rationale, motivations and reasoning of why people decide to study and practice medicine, and look beyond the media and societal representations.
- We'll dissect the Australian Medical Council (AMC) requirements of medical schools, and give you a sneak peek at the curriculum so you know what you'll be studying.
- Understanding the 3 major admissions parameters used in medical schools across Australia and New Zealand is critical for entry. We'll prescribe the strategies for optimising:
 - Entrance exams: UCAT or GAMSAT
 - Academic performance thresholds: High school or Uni
 - Medical interviews
- How do you get there? We'll stitch together tips and tricks to avoid the medical school offer slump, including ways to make you stand out from the crowd.
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Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/get-into-med-western-sydney-tickets-63144542025>

➤ **MACQUARIE | EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS WEEK**

16 December 2019, 8:00 am - 22 December 2019, 8:00 pm

Macquarie University, North Ryde

Some unis expect you to make up your mind about your future in a single day. At

Macquarie we give you more than a week to explore your options.

Starting on Monday 16 December, through to Sunday 22 December 2019, join us in our full program of tours, one-on-one consultations, enrolment support and lectures.

We understand every student is different and with so many choices, we are on hand to help you work through what's best for you. And the best news? You can choose a day and time that suits you.

Find out more: https://mqedu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7Q9NBMqBtDTT1z

➤ CSU | ATAR ADVICE DAY

17 December 2019, 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

CSU, Albury-Wodonga, Bathurst, Orange, Port Macquarie & Wagga Wagga Campuses

It's the big day, you're getting your results. And we're holding sessions on our campuses so you can talk all things ATAR, courses, scholarships, admission pathways and next steps. You can also tour the campus to check out your new uni. However you do in your exams, we know you are more than just a number – so we'll help you find the right path for you.

Come and chat to our friendly experts on campus at Albury-Wodonga, Bathurst, Orange, Port Macquarie and Wagga Wagga.

Find out more: <https://study.csu.edu.au/life/open-days-events>

➤ ACU | KNOW YOUR OPTIONS

Strathfield: 17 December 2019, 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm

North Sydney: 18 December 2019, 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Come along to Know Your Options, an event where you can talk to experts about your course and career path, learn about alternative entry and admission pathways, and explore our campus.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/>

➤ ACU | KNOW YOUR OPTIONS, ONLINE (UAC)

18 December 2019, 11:00 am - 18 December 2019, 2:00 pm

Online

Do you have questions about your study options? We're running online chats through Facebook Messenger, so you can talk one-on-one with an ACU team member about your studies. Get the personalised advice you need to make your study decision.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2019/december/know-your-options-2019-uac-facebook-messenger-event>

➤ UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY | INFO DAY

19 December 2019, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

The University of Sydney, Camperdown

How do I plan my dream degree? What if I didn't get the ATAR I need? Get answers to all your questions before finalising your preferences for the December Round 2 offers.

Learn more about the subject choices on offer, our unparalleled student experience and the many admission pathways into uni.

Find out more: <https://infoday.sydney.edu.au/>

➤ NOTRE DAME | INFO DAY

19 December 2019, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

The University of Notre Dame, Sydney

Get a taste of University life. Join us for The University of Notre Dame's Info Day – it's the perfect opportunity to chat with our academics, get an understanding of our course offerings and have your last-minute questions answered.

Whether you've already applied to study at Notre Dame or you're still considering what you'd like to study, all prospective students are welcome to come along and find out more about the opportunities available, including mentoring and leadership programs.

Find out more: <https://www.notredame.edu.au/events-items/sydney-info-day-2019>

➤ UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY | SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

19 November 2019, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

The University of Sydney, Camperdown

Spectacular Science is a one-day on-campus experience run by the Faculty of Science, offering students first-hand insights into intriguing and up-to-the-minute research that scientists are currently working on.

Throughout the day, students participate in a series of interactive activities across a range of science disciplines. This experience supports students to develop a strong understanding of the relationship between their high school STEM subjects, university degrees and future careers.

Find out more: <http://whatson.sydney.edu.au/events/published/spectacular-science>

➤ UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY | MEGA MATHS

22 November 2019, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

The University of Sydney, Camperdown

No matter what your students choose to do in the future, maths will be a part of it: from maths models that help predict which latest fashion items will sell out, to calculations that allow you to build bridges, to statistics that show what people think of a business, to computations that help in the understanding of diseases.

The on-campus day helps students discover how studying maths can help a huge array of disciplines and careers. Students will be inspired by how maths can open many future doors as they engage in a full day of practical workshops.

Find out more: <http://whatson.sydney.edu.au/events/published/mega-maths>

➤ AFTRS | TEENS DIGI ANIMATION WORKSHOP

16 December 2019, 9:30 am - 18 December 2019, 5:00 pm

Australian Film Television and Radio School

If you're inspired by animated films such as The Lego Movie and the Pixar library then this is the course for you. Working with an industry professional, you will learn digital animation skills to advance your animation journey.

- Dive deeper with Photoshop, After Effects, Adobe Animate, Blender and experiment with green screen animation.
- Explore 3D imaging with industry standard animation software Maya.
- Take home a copy of your work at the end of the workshop.

Find out more: <https://www.aftrs.edu.au/short-course/teens-digi-animation/>

➤ BEGINNER'S KINTSUGI WORKSHOPS

Kintsugi is the ancient Japanese art of mending broken pottery using lacquer with gold, platinum or silver, which dates back to the 15th century.

Today, you can practice this ancient art form yourself. Kintsugi Australia runs workshops for beginners in Sydney for you to learn the basic techniques of Kintsugi.

During the class you will learn how to repair a plate which you can then take home.

Classes run all through the week at many times, so there is sure to be a time that suits you.

Find out more and enrol in a class here: <https://classbento.com.au/beginners-kintsugi-workshop-0>

➤ **AFTRS | THE REAL FILMMAKING WORKSHOP**

16 December 2019, 9:30 am - 20 December 2019, 5:00 pm

Australian Film Television and Radio School

The five-day Real Filmmaking Workshop is the number one filmmaking workshop for young people in Australia. It is an excellent opportunity to collaborate with a group of creative young people for a 'real filmmaking experience'. You'll work together to take a script to screen, learn how to direct actors and experience the technical elements of filmmaking including camera, lighting, sound and editing skills – all in one week.

Your group's vision will be realised with a screening of your short film in the AFTRS theatre for parents and friends. You'll also receive a copy of your film for future viewing.

- Explore all areas of filmmaking including scriptwriting, art direction and set design, cinematography, lighting, sound effects, directing, editing and producing.
- You will work with experienced industry tutors, professional actors and AFTRS crew.
- Work in AFTRS' state-of-the-art film studios using professional equipment.

Find out more: <https://www.aftrs.edu.au/short-course/the-real-filmmaking-workshop/>

➤ **SYO | 2020 HSC PREPARATORY PROGRAM**

6 January 2020, 3:00 pm - 10 January 2020, 6:00 pm

Santa Sabina College, Strathfield

For students in Years 10, 11 and 12, the Sydney Youth Orchestra Summer School includes a HSC preparation stream that can be selected as an add-on to the weekly program or as a standalone package.

Led by leading NSW music educators and long-time HSC markers, this program covers areas of theory and practice that relate specifically to the NSW HSC Music 2 curriculum.

Participants can expect to receive intense training on theory, composition, essay writing, thesis development and constructive performance critique. This program provides HSC students the opportunity to receive invaluable guidance and tailored HSC music training in a supportive and fun environment with like-minded students.

Find out more: <https://syo.com.au/programs/syo-open-holiday-programs/2020-summer-school-hsc-preparatory-program/>

➤ **MAKING OF MEN CAMP**

22 January 2020, 11:00 am - 26 January 2020, 4:30 pm

Yarrakoora, Main Arm

The Making of Men Camp is a contemporary Rites of Passage youth program based on years of research conducted by Dr Arne Rubinstein – author of the book 'The Making of Men' – and his team.

As young men approach adulthood, fathers are called upon to shift and redefine the relationship they share with their son. This camp for teens is designed to help boys deepen key relationships with their father or male mentor and mark their transition from boy to man. Over the five-day camp, you will:

- Build stronger father-son relationships and gain higher levels of respect for mothers and women to support future healthy relationships.
- Learn the skills needed to become a motivated, responsible and resilient young man.
- Increase self-esteem and develop more confident communication and social skills.

Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/making-of-men-22-26-january-2020-registration-66144898171>

➤ **STUDY WORK GROW 2020 SCHOLARSHIPS GUIDE**

We have just released our Scholarships Guide, packed with tips and links to scholarships at universities, TAFEs and private providers all around the country. You can check it out [here](#).

➤ **MACQUARIE DR ARTHUR PRYOR SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: \$5,000 per year

Open/Closing Dates: September 1, 2019 – December 1, 2019

The Dr Arthur Pryor Scholarship was established with a generous donation from Dr Arthur Pryor's family. The Scholarship's main purpose is to support new undergraduate students who are undertaking study in a major within the Physics and Astronomy Department. The successful applicants for this scholarship will be a new domestic undergraduate student undertaking study in a major within the Department of Physics and Astronomy. The scholarship is available to 2019 school leavers and students who completed school in 2018 and have taken a gap year.

[Find out more](#)

➤ **THE 2019 BOOKS.ORG SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: \$3,000

Open/Closing Dates: July 31, 2019 – January 31, 2020

The Books.org Scholarship is available to any currently-enrolled undergraduate or postgraduate student. Each year we invite students to explore issues involving literature and books in general.

To be eligible for the prize you must provide proof of enrolment in a course from an accredited tertiary institution, college or university.

[Find out more](#)

➤ **BOND UNIVERSITY INDIGENOUS MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: 50% tuition fee waiver

Open/Closing Dates: January 16, 2020 – January 30, 2020

In 2020, Bond University will be providing an Indigenous pathway into its Medical Program. As part of this initiative, Bond University has developed one 50% scholarship for one Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander student commencing in the 2020 Medical Program. To be considered, applicants must:

- be Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander
- meet the [program prerequisites](#) as per the Bond University Medical Program

[Find out more](#)

➤ **UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY WESTERN UNION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: \$7,000 per year

Open/Closing Dates: July 1, 2019 – January 31, 2020

Established in 2017, this scholarship is provided by the Western Union Foundation. Western Union's signature program 'Education for Better' aims to provide education and jobs skills training that provide economic upward mobility for individuals, families and communities around the world.

You must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident, or citizen of New Zealand
- be currently enrolled or commencing an undergraduate degree program with the Faculty of Science, Faculty of Engineering or the University of Sydney Business School.

Note: the scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit, student's financial circumstances and a personal statement which demonstrates the applicant's interest and focus on the social impact enhancing the benefit of economic opportunity and education. Preference will be given to students from indigenous or refugee backgrounds.

[Find out more](#)

➤ **CSU CASELLA WINES HEALTH SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: \$10,000

Open/Closing Dates: August 1, 2019 – February 5, 2020

This scholarship is designed to alleviate some of the financial pressures that come when studying so that students can focus on achieving exceptional results.

Available to:

- Commencing Students

Campus:

- Wagga Wagga

Must be studying in:

- 1st Year
- Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (with specialisations)
- Bachelor of Health Science (Mental Health)
- Bachelor of Nursing

[Find out more](#)

➤ **WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: \$6,000 per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 9, 2019 – March 20, 2020

The Western Sydney University Community Scholarship was established to provide ongoing support to talented, ambitious and hardworking students who might not otherwise have the chance to study at university due to financial hardship or other circumstances out of their control.

Applicants must:

- be Australian citizens or permanent residents
- receive an offer to study an undergraduate program at the University or in the case of current students, be currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree
- demonstrate financial or other hardship, based on [Opportunity and Equity criteria](#) and also including students who are the first in their family to attend university

[Find out more](#)

➤ **WSU LION DR WILLIAM CHIU SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: \$7,500 per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 9, 2019 – March 20, 2020

This scholarship supports students who have the drive and talent to achieve tertiary education.

Applicants must:

- be Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia
- be currently enrolled or commencing full-time or part-time study in any year of any undergraduate degree
- demonstrate equity considerations such as economic, social or other disadvantage based on Western Sydney University [Opportunity and Equity Considerations](#)
- demonstrate academic potential through a minimum ATAR of 80 for new students, or a minimum GPA of 5 for continuing students. Non-current school leaver applications will be assessed on the basis of work experience and educational qualifications.

[Find out more](#)

➤ **WSU ENID HELEN HORT AND FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

Value: \$6,000 per year

Open/Closing Dates: October 9, 2019 – March 20, 2020

The Enid Helen Hort and Family Scholarships are intended to ensure that people of all walks of life have the opportunity to attend University including those who may have experienced financial hardship, or those who may not have come from a privileged background.

Applicants must:

- be Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia
- receive an offer to study an undergraduate program at the University or, in the case of current students, be currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree
- demonstrate disadvantage by reason of Indigenous status, single parent or carer responsibilities or disability circumstances

[Find out more](#)

➤ **HAYS HACK CHALLENGE**

At Hays Digital Technology, we love to get involved with the tech community and we are excited to be hosting the Hays Hack across Australia and New Zealand.

Put your coding skills to the test with this Hays Hack challenge for your chance to win some great prizes.

Enter the competition and select your preferred language to complete the challenge: C, C#, C++, F#, Go, Java, JavaScript, PHP, Python, R, Ruby, Scala and Swift.

Developers who join the hack will be scored based on their accuracy and speed of completing the coding challenge with the top three developers winning a prize.

The competition is open online until Sunday 1 December.

Find out more and enter here: https://www.hays.com.au/digital-technology/HAYS_1989917

➤ WAKAKIRRI DANCE CHALLENGE

Wakakirri is a nation-wide performing arts competition, inviting schools from across Australia to create a 'Story-Dance' that reflects student's thoughts, ideas and aspirations.

A Wakakirri Story-Dance is a 3 to 7 minute performance by a group of students that theatrically tells a story using a combination of dancing, creative movement and acting to pre-recorded music.

After rehearsing, students get to perform their Story-Dance in professional theatres in front of the official Wakakirri Panel who are searching for 'Story of the Year'.

There are plenty of great prizes to be won in a variety of categories.

Registrations for the 2020 Wakakirri Challenge are open now.

Find out more and register here: <https://www.wakakirri.com>

➤ SUMMER JOBS

Be Work Ready: Once you've decided you're going to get a summer job, you've organised your resume and you've started applying for jobs, then you're on the right track. There are just one or two things you might like to think about before the job starts.

Are you ready to get paid? That may sound like a weird question because heck yes, getting a summer job is *all* about the money (and the work experience of course).

What we mean is:

- Do you have a **Tax File Number** (TFN)?

You can apply for one at any age and take about 28 days to process.

It could help you keep track of your earnings, superannuation, and any taxes you'll need to pay – or are entitled to have refunded.

Find out more on the [ATO](#) page.

- Have you got a **bank account** where:
 - your wages can be paid into,
 - you can access that money if you want to,
 - or you can start your savings with the maximum benefits?
- Have you got a super account set up?

Providing a super account to employers means you'll start accumulating money in there from the get-go and if you nominate the same account for every job, it'll be much easier to keep track of everything you're entitled to later on.

Speak to your parents or guardians if you're under 18, you might need them to sign some of the forms on your behalf. They'll also be good for some more information and help about choosing what's right for you.

Rights and responsibilities

Before you start working it's a great idea to know your rights and responsibilities. Find out what employers expect from you, and what you can expect from them. The best place to start is the [Fairwork website](#).

You can also read about the workplace health and safety guidelines for your state here:

- [New South Wales](#)
- [Australian Capital Territory](#)
- [Victoria](#)
- [Queensland](#)
- [South Australia](#)
- [Western Australia](#)
- [Northern Territory](#)

- [Tasmania](#)

You don't need to stress, you're not going to get tested. New employers will advise you about your duties and what is expected of you, but it doesn't hurt to have a quick read through the information available.

➤ **FIND APPRENTICESHIPS IN NSW**

Whether you've decided that an apprenticeship or traineeship is the pathway for you, or if it's still an option that you're considering.

Searching for roles available near you could help you confirm your choice, or help you make that decision.

There are lots of ways of searching for positions available, one of them is to keep checking with Apprenticeship Network providers. They often advertise on behalf of local employers, and they could help you through the process too.

One example is [MEGT](#) who are an Australian not-for-profit organisation.

Here are some of the positions that they are currently advertising:

[Horticulture Apprenticeship, Rosehill](#)

[Trainee Bus Driver, Terrey Hills](#)

[IT Service Technician Trainee, Sydney](#)

[Child Care Trainee, Narwee](#)

[Apprentice Butcher, Bondi Beach](#)

Click on the links to read more about the roles, or to find out how you need to apply.

➤ **APPLYING TO US & UK UNIS? GET YOUR ESSAYS REVIEWED BY EXPERTS!**

Get expert feedback before you submit your US and UK essays. Send personal statements, supplemental essays or UCAS essays off to experts and have them returned to you with notes and suggestions within three days!

Click the link to learn more: <https://www.crimsoneducation.org/us/essay-review/>

➤ **CQUNI STUDENTS WILL BE PERFORMING, TEACHING AND OFFERING HEALTHCARE ACROSS INDO-PACIFIC IN 2020**

CQUniversity students will have the chance to perform in a Malaysian theatre production, assist Vietnamese health workers, or gain teaching experience in Mongolia or The Philippines, in projects running next year.

Other student cohorts will travel to Thailand, Cambodia, India, and Nepal.

[Read more](#) about these exciting opportunities or find out how a degree with CQUni can take you to various countries through our [exchange](#) or short-term summer or winter programs.

➤ **THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY SCHOLARSHIPS THAT HELP STUDENTS SOAR**

Scholarships can help all kinds of people to realise their dream of going to university.

You can read about five students from the University of Sydney who received scholarships that helped to change their lives. See the full article [here](#).

Take a look at the scholarships currently on offer at the University of Sydney [here](#).

➤ **FIRE AND RESCUE NSW (FRNSW) WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM**

The Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) Work Experience Program provides participating students with an overview of the roles of FRNSW and its firefighters. It is delivered through both practical and theory sessions in a disciplined and safe working environment. Through this program, school students gain insight into FRNSW and develop employment related skills to enhance their vocational education. [Learn more](#)

➤ 6 ALTERNATIVE STUDY TIPS

By this stage of the school year, study and revision might be feeling like a never-ending slog. So we've come up with some slightly funkier ways to revise that might just refresh your exam time mood.

1. **Have a post-it note frenzy**

Write facts, figures, informational tidbits, equations, anything useful at all really on a stack of post-it notes and stick them everywhere.

You could have them in your room, on your desk, on mirrors, doors and windows, in the kitchen, on the stairs, on the shower cubicle, back of the toilet door -anywhere you'll see them.

2. **Record yourself**

Why not have a bit of fun with your revision and sing your revision notes to the tune of your favourite songs. Or have a go at rapping (it really doesn't matter how good or how terrible you are, in fact the worse you are, the funnier and more memorable it might be).

If you're not up for that then you could just record yourself reading out your revision notes. Not only could it help cement some of the facts, but you could listen back to them over and over, even when you don't feel much like studying anymore. You might find that information is subconsciously seeping into your brain.

3. **Mind maps**

If note taking isn't your thing and you've tried but the information still isn't sinking in – try using more visual revision methods.

Mind maps is an easy one to try. Use a blank sheet of paper, put the main topic in the centres and then “branch” out to subtopics. Then focus on each subtopic and add more detail by adding more branches.

Using different colours and images on the map could help even more.

4. **YouTube Tutorials**

Search on YouTube for videos and tutorials about your subjects and topics.

Although it's probably not the best idea to use this method as a complete revision model, it might just add a bit of interest to your study schedule, and if you stumble across some really good ones – they could make all the difference.

You could even share them with your cohort if you think they're epic.

5. **Smell of success**

You know how certain smells bring up a vivid memory? Well maybe that could help you study, and if doesn't work at least your study area will smell nice.

Studies show how smells affect our emotions and moods, which in turn impact on our learning abilities and motivation.

You could try using rosemary to increase your memory and alertness, and have a sniff of lavender when you've finished studying to help you relax. If you don't like the smell of either of them, then you could try:

Bergamot for calming, lemon for increased accuracy, cedarwood for improved focus, peppermint for alertness and memory, rose for reducing anxiety, or jasmine for helping you sleep.

You could use candles, diffusers, essential oils, even fresh products.

6. Make up mnemonics

Mnemonics are memory strategies to help you recall large chunks of information. Do you remember in primary school trying to remember the order of the colours in the rainbow? Using the phrase 'Richard of York gave battle in vain' to remember the sequences of 'red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet'. It could help. According to Dennis Congos at the University of Central Florida, there are 9 types of mnemonics. They include:

- Music
- Name
- Expression/Word
- Model
- Ode/Rhyme
- Note Organisation
- Image
- Connection
- Spelling Mnemonics

➤ 5 WAYS TO COPE WITH EXAM ANXIETY

Exam stress is normal. It's the response from weighing up the challenge (the exam) and your perceived ability to cope (knowledge). In some ways it can be a productive emotion, whereby if we think that the challenge outweighs our ability, we become more motivated to study harder and better.

Exam anxiety not the same beast. It's where your perception of your ability to cope with the stress of an exam becomes distorted and your fears might become overwhelming. As a result anxiety has the potential to become disabling, so challenging those feelings and find coping strategies could really help you to combat your anxiety.

If you're suffering from anxiety you might have you physical symptoms like a headache, nausea, diarrhoea, shortness of breath, or light-headedness. Emotionally you might feel angry, afraid, or helpless, have lots of negative thoughts and constantly compare yourself to others.

If you're nodding your head to all the above, and you think you're more than just a little bit stressed.

Here's a few tips that could really get you back on top of your game:

Ask for help. Speak to your parents and teachers, or even make an appointment with GP and let them know how you're feeling. They'll be able to find ways to help you manage how you're feeling and help you get through your exams more easily.

Practise positive self-talk. It might sound airy fairy but imagine how bad you feel when you've had an argument with someone and they've said some horrible things. So consciously try to tell yourself to "STOP" those negative thoughts, instead think about encouraging and positive things you would say to a friend.

Find relaxation techniques that work for you. Research a few of the most highly recommended relaxation techniques and practise them. The 4-7-8 breathing technique is one deep breathing technique you could try. Breathe in for 4 seconds, holding the breath for 7 seconds, and exhaling for 8 seconds. It's also handy because unlike some other methods you can do it anywhere, even in the exam room.

Be prepared. If you've studied, had some sleep, arrived at the exam on time, then you're as prepared as you can be and there's less to stress out about, you'll just need to remind yourself that you've done the best you can.

Remember this exam is not the be-all and end-all. Life will go on after your exams. If you don't get the ATAR you're hoping for then life will still go on. You can still achieve your goals and dreams (or you might find new ones) if you don't ace each and every exam.

➤ 50 SPOOKTACULAR PLACES TO TRAVEL

Planning on travelling to celebrate the end of Year 12, or looking for some gap year destinations that'll give you a thrill?

If you have nerves of steel and aren't planning on travelling solo, Thrillophilia have put together the ultimate location guide for you.

From ghost towns and ossuaries (rooms or building housing human bones), the Island of dolls – the name alone is enough to creep out most people, to the Eastern State Penitentiary in Pennsylvania, there's got to be something sure to test even the most die hard horror fans. Read the full list in the [blog](#).

➤ A GAP YEAR DOESN'T MEAN A GAP IN LEARNING

Have you got a gap year planned but you're worried about whether you've made the right choice?

Or perhaps you'd really like to take a gap year but you're concerned about missing out on career and education choices.

Fear not, there are loads of reasons why a gap year could be a really positive career move, as well as a great experience.

You could learn new skills or improve on existing ones (like languages for example).

It could provide you with the time out, or experience, that really cements your career choice and pathway.

If you plan on working, you'll get to sample different jobs and industries, save up for future studies. You could feel more refreshed and motivated to start learning if you plan to go back to uni or college after taking some time out.

If you're looking for more reasons to go ahead with a gap year, [read this article](#).

Now's the time to start planning for a gap year if you haven't already, it could still be an option even if you've already applied to uni. Lots of uni's will make you an offer and allow you to defer your start date for 12 months, why not weigh up your options.

➤ JOB SPOTLIGHT

CYBER SECURITY

Cyber security helps organisations – small and large – and individuals prevent data breaches, identity theft, malware and ransomware attacks, and aids in risk management. What type of person would this job suit?

- You'll need to have great **tech skills** including system and web application administration, coding, understand the architecture, administration, and management of operating systems, networking, and virtualisation software
- Strong **problem solving** and **analytical skills** in conjunction with **patience** and **determination**
- Be focused and vigilant with **attention to detail**

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- You'll need to be an enthusiastic and **continuous learner** to ensure you keep your skills up to date
- Be able to **work collaboratively** and be approachable to everyone
- You'll also need good **communication** and **report writing** skills

Industries where cyber security is important:

- Banking and Finance
- Government and Defence
- Healthcare
- Online Retail
- Education
- Transport and Travel, e.g. Aviation

Pathways

Interested in a career protecting people's online lives and have the desire to learn more about IT? There are a few pathways you could consider that could kick start your career in cybersecurity.

Obtaining a university degree seems an obvious place to start, and could give you the qualifications to apply for more advanced professional roles in the industry. Finding cadetships and paid internships that you can do while you're studying could help pay for your degree, and will also give you invaluable work experience that could put you ahead of the competition.

Study a [Bachelor of Science \(Cyber Security\) at ECU](#) and you could be prepared to start a career in the fields of network security, computer forensics, information warfare and wireless security. This degree is even available to complete online.

The Bachelor of [Cyber Security and Master of Information Technology in Cyber Security from Macquarie](#) is a good example of a comprehensive course that would give you all the qualifications you need (and then some).

Alternatively, you can start out at TAFE, gain a Cert IV and get relevant work experience in entry level positions and working your way up, or opt to return to uni later on.

The [Certificate IV in Cyber Security from TAFE Queensland](#) is an example of a qualification that could get your career started.

Levels

Cyber Security Support Officer / Analyst

Certificate IV

Plans, performs, oversees, and upgrades the security of computers and network systems. They also help to fix and protect computer systems from data theft by staying abreast of the latest technological developments.

You will usually be working alongside, and possibly under the supervision of, a degree qualified technician as part of an IT team.

You could expect to earn \$46,000 per year at this level, but this can vary hugely depending on work experience.

Jobs:

[IT Support Officer in Brisbane](#)

[IT Support Officer in Newcastle](#)

Cyber Security Engineer / Software Developer

Diploma

Develop effective solutions to increase the security of their company's systems and projects. Create new ways to solve existing security issues and have an advanced understanding of intrusion detection and prevention protocols.

Salary depends on your qualifications and work experience; you could expect to start earning at \$62,000 per year.

Jobs:

[Information Security Officer in Sydney](#)

[Security Operations Engineer in Brisbane](#)

[Security Engineer – Firewall, IPS, IDS , SIEM in Sydney](#)

Ethical Hacker / Pen Tester

Tertiary Qualification (Bachelor degree desirable)

Pen testing strengthens the organisation's security system by uncovering vulnerabilities, malicious content, flaws, and risks.

Ethical hackers are similar to pen testers. They must find ways into systems without affecting the functioning of it, locating the vulnerabilities. They then report on problems and recommend and implement fixes.

At this level you could expect to earn over \$83,000 per year for entry level positions, with good prospects for earning substantially more with experience.

Jobs:

[Pen Tester in Sydney](#)

Security Architect

Bachelor Degree

Senior-level employees responsible for designing, building and overseeing the implementation of network and computer security for an organisation.

At this level you could expect to be earning \$120,00 per year – but you'll need the relevant years of work experience as well as the relevant qualifications.

Jobs:

[Security Architect, Cyber Defense & Fraud Engineering in Sydney](#)

[Group Cyber Security Architect in Melbourne](#)

[Enterprise Security Architect in Perth](#)

Growth in this industry is **strong** and expected to remain so.

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