



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
- Password – pius (lower case)

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

Open Days & Info Sessions

➤ **NOTRE DAME COURSE OPTIONS DAY - SATURDAY 16 DECEMBER 2017**

@ Admissions and Prospective Students Office, Pioneer House, 140 Broadway, Chippendale. The Admissions and Prospective Students Office will be open from 9.00am to 4.00pm on Saturday 16 December 2017 after students receive their final Year 12 results, and before Change of Preferences day on 17 December. Course Options Day is a great chance to have a one-on-one chat with staff and submit an application ahead of Course Info Day on January 4 (see below).

<http://www.nd.edu.au/events/sydney>

➤ **NOTRE DAME COURSE INFO DAY - THURSDAY 4 JANUARY 2018**

On Course Info Day students can ask their last-minute questions and explore uni options for 2018. Student who visit the Broadway campus between 9.00am and 3.00pm on Thursday 4 January can attend sessions on courses they're interested in studying, speak with academic staff and current students and apply for study in 2018.

Eligible applicants can also interview with an academic staff member in the course they're interested in studying, receive an offer, and enrol and choose their first-year units.

Location: St Benedict's Hall and courtyard, 104 Broadway, Chippendale

Applications are still open for all courses at Notre Dame in 2018

<http://www.nd.edu.au/events/sydney>

➤ **MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY BIG HISTORY SCHEME**

The Big History bonus points scheme rewards your commitment to learning, acknowledging your participation and completion of the [Big History: Connecting Knowledge MOOC](#) (Massive Open Online Course) available through the COURSEERA® platform. You could get up to 3 bonus points.

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/undergraduate/macquarie-entry/bonus-points/big-history-scheme>



➤ DEFENCE INFO SESSIONS AND EVENTS

Parramatta:

16 November, [Music Careers Information Session](#)

20 November, [Army Reserve Commando Info Session](#)

22 November, [Women in Defence Information Session](#)

23 November, [Engineering Careers Information Session](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/DefenceJobsAustralia/events/>

➤ INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT PARENT'S INFO EVENING

Thursday 30 November

The evening takes the format of a facilitated Q&A session with representatives from across ICMS including senior academic staff, college management, Industry Training and current students. Drinks and canapés will be served upon arrival.

Register - <https://www.icms.edu.au/event/parents-information-evening-2017>

➤ THE HOTEL SCHOOL DISCOVERY DAY

22 November, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm @ 60 Phillip Street Sydney

Register - <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-hotel-school-discovery-day-sydney-tickets-39507861076>

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

➤ ONE-ON-ONE CHAT WITH ANU

Wed 15 Nov 2017, 1–5pm

Wed 22 Nov 2017, 1–5pm

Wed 29 Nov 2017, 1–5pm

Wed 6 Dec 2017, 1–5pm

Book in for a one-on-one chat with an ANU advisor on campus regarding your future study opportunities and to discuss any questions you have about ANU. If you are also interested in participating in a campus tour, when you book in for your session, you can elect to take a general tour of the ANU campus.

Register now - <http://www.anu.edu.au/study/events/one-on-one-chat-with-anu-in-canberra>

➤ UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA COURSE ADVICE DAY

16 November 2017, 10 – 12pm

21 December 2017 10 – 2pm

12 January 2018 10 – 2pm

You can talk to staff about your study options, including courses and units available, pathway programs, support services, accommodation, and anything else you need to make your final decision.

Find out more - <https://www.canberra.edu.au/events/view/12404>

➤ MACQUARIE ENTRY NAVIGATOR

Everyone comes to university on an ATAR. Right? No, not with [Macquarie Entry](#). ATAR is just one of the indicators we use to determine your suitability for study. It's true that your ATAR rank can be a useful indicator of your chances for success in a specific course. But it's equally true that for other courses there are other indicators we can use to assess your suitability.

Use the navigator to see which entry pathway suits you best -

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/undergraduate/macquarie-entry/macquarie-entry-navigator>



➤ **A GUIDE TO CHANGING PREFERENCES**

This article is aimed at Victorian students, but has useful tips for anyone planning on changing their uni preferences.

Check it out – <http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/studying-training/changing-your-mind/a-guide-to-changing-your-preferences>

➤ **PROS AND CONS OF A DOUBLE DEGREE**

<https://year13.com.au/double-degrees-worth-it/>

VET, APPRENTICESHIPS & TRAINEESHIPS

➤ **MASTER PAINTERS BOOTCAMPS**

Wednesday 15 - Friday 17 November, 7.30am to 3pm each day

Monday 27 - Wednesday 29 November, 7.30am to 3pm each day

The students will be provided with practical training in our training centre learning surface preparation on doors as well as cutting in and rolling on both ceilings and walls in our booths. We supply uniform and are a short bus ride (M90) from Strathfield train station to Gould street Strathfield South. Students will receive a certificate on course completion.

Register your interest - <http://www.masterpainters.com.au/bootcamp>

➤ **TRIAL A TRADE AT WILLIAM ANGLISS INSTITUTE**

Tuesday 12th December 10am – 12pm, [Register now](#)

Tuesday 16th January 10am – 12pm, [Register now](#)

The trial-a-trade sessions are short, two hour glimpses into these exciting roles:

- Aspiring chefs will learn their way around an industrial kitchen and hone their cooking skills.
- Budding patissiers and sugar lovers will learn some tricks of the trade behind the creation of their favourite delicious treats and confectionery.
- Up and coming baristas will learn about what it takes to become a star barista, and get to know what goes into making the perfect coffee.
- Travel, events and hospitality industry hopefuls will try their hand at fun activities within each of these areas.

This fascinating look behind the scenes is the ideal opportunity for students to realise their passions, discover a career pathway or even uncover a talent they never knew they had.

Register now - <https://www.angliss.edu.au/register-for-trial-a-trade>

➤ **CODER ACADEMY SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS**

There are after school and school-holiday workshops available.

<https://coderacademy.edu.au/kids-and-teens-coding#school-holidays>

➤ **NOTRE DAME GETTING TO KNOW NURSING**

Tuesday 14 November, 5.30pm to 7.00pm at the School of Nursing, 160 Oxford St, Darlinghurst (opposite St Vincent's Hospital).

Attendees will hear from the Dean of Nursing about:

- Nursing as a profession
- The structure of Notre Dame's three year Nursing program
- How the School of Nursing produces graduates who are highly regarded for their skills and knowledge and employed promptly in the health sector, and
- The key time frames for starting the Nursing degree in 2018.

Students can ask questions about any aspect of the Nursing program, receive application assistance and submit an application for Nursing at the event.

Students can register [here](http://www.nd.edu.au/events/2017/getting-to-know-nursing2) - <http://www.nd.edu.au/events/2017/getting-to-know-nursing2>



➤ **JMI SUMMER JAZZ CLINICS - CANBERRA**

Whether you have never played jazz before, or you're looking to improve on the skills you have acquired over years of playing, the Summer Jazz Clinics are designed to ensure that you get more out of 4 days of learning than you ever imagined!

15th to 18th January 2018 @ ANU School of Music

Find out more and register - <http://www.jazz.qld.edu.au/jazz-clinics/>

➤ **EXHIBITION AT UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE/NEWCASTLE MUSEUM – ENGINEERING**

Tuesday 5 - Sunday 10 December

Engineering: The Art of Problem Solving - From a robotic boat that can drive itself, to super-efficient wind turbines, a virtual reality soccer experience, indestructible ceramic tiles, a reinvented airship and a cochlear implant headset... University of Newcastle engineering students are applying their creative thinking and scientific know-how to a whole range of innovations.

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/faculty-of-engineering-and-built-environment/engineering-the-art-of-problem-solving>

➤ **WORKING IN RETAIL**

Check out this video (as well as heaps of others) about how working in retail can be more than 'just a job'.

<http://www.skillsone.com.au/vidgallery/dive-into-retail/>

➤ **CAREERS WITH STEM TERM 4 MAGAZINES**

If you're interested in study or a career in science, technology, engineering or maths, you might want to check out the latest Careers with STEM magazines. They are full of interesting and inspiring stories about where study in STEM can take you.

<https://careerswithstem.com/read-it-here/>

➤ **SELFSTART – SUPPORT TO START YOUR OWN BUSINESS**

From planning, validating your idea, finding local support, through to perfecting your pitch, SelfStart is here to support you through the first stages of starting your own business.

<https://jobsearch.gov.au/selfstart>

➤ **JOB OUTLOOK**

This government website can help you explore your career options. Look for career ideas based on industry or level of study, and see the employment prospects for different industries. You can also take a career quiz on the site.

Take a look – <http://joboutlook.gov.au/>

➤ **WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH YOUR SUMMER HOLIDAYS?**

The Summer Holidays are awesome. Endless weeks of doing not-a-lot stretch out in front of you, the perfect antidote to a whole year of school work. But some smart kids are using the school holidays to get ahead. I'm not talking about studying hard to get a jump start on next year – they use the holidays to build their CV.



➤ WHAT'S A CV?

Basically, a CV, or [curriculum vitae](#), is a quick and easy-to-read summary of you and what you've done.

You get to list all the good stuff that shows you're suitable for the position, and it should make people want to hire/enrol you. A good CV is 'well-rounded', which means you don't just excel in one area, but can show that you've tried lots of things and achieved across lots of areas, including sport, leadership, community service, hobbies, and academics.

More and more universities are asking to see your CV, and many offer special early offer programs for people who apply using your CV, rather than just your ATAR/OP.

➤ LEARN A NEW SKILL

Every school holidays you can choose from literally hundreds of different holiday workshop and course options. Your local TAFE will offer short courses on everything from business skills to baking, and it's never too early to learn. You'll find holiday workshops everywhere. Check out:

- Art galleries and art schools
- Museums
- The local library
- Your city council (for lifesaving, horticulture, or general youth programs)
- Drama schools ([NIDA](#) are very good at workshops)
- Foreign language schools
- Cake decorating classes

Or you could find a course online and learn at home. There are lots of places to find courses, and many of them are offered for free by leading universities. Check out [FutureLearn](#) and [Open2Study](#). [Craftsy](#) is the place to head for courses on craft, art and photography related things.

➤ TRAVEL THE WORLD

Student exchange isn't limited to living on the other side of the world for the year, so if you'd like to go on exchange but don't fancy living away from home for that long, check out the range of shorter exchange programs:

- [Student Exchange Aus/NZ](#)
- [WEP](#)
- [Youth For Understanding](#)
- [Southern Cross Cultural Exchange](#)
- [AFS Australia](#)

Want to stay closer to home? Check out [Outward Bound](#), they run some incredible youth outdoor programs that look brilliant on any CV.



➤ **GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY**

Volunteering looks AMAZING on a CV. It shows you've taken the time to think of others, found a creative way to use your time constructively, and learnt a heap in the process. And volunteering can give you opportunities you can't find anywhere else.

There are lots of places to look for volunteering opportunities. You could start by asking local community groups if they need help, like your local Salvation Army or Red Cross branch, as well as local animal shelters, arts organisations, or your local council.

You can also find amazing opportunities online, [Seek Volunteer](#) have a huge database of opportunities and you can search by type and location. NSW Government also have a [website with links](#) to the main state based volunteering organisations, as does the ACT [here](#).

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