### **Career News**

## **Work Experience 2020 for Year 10 Students**

Wondering where you can get your Work Experience contracts?

You can get them from the Careers Office OR you can access them online through the Careers Website. Just go to the Portal -> RSC Careers -> Workplace Learning -> Required Documents Here you will find The Work Experience Arrangement Form.

You should start contacting organisations NOW to arrange your Work Experience for 2020. Remember, if you are going on Central Australia your Work Experience dates are 15th - 18th of June. If you aren't going on Central Australia you can do a 2 week placement 15th - 26th of June or two separate placements (15th - 19th of June) and (22nd - 26th of June).

## Congratulations to our Year 12 students!

Year 12 students received their ATAR on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December. A snapshot of 2019 results:

26 of our students receive an ATAR of 90 and above

66.5% of students attained an ATAR of 60 and above

Many of our students have already organised apprenticeships or employment to begin in 2020.

We are proud of all our students and wish them all the best for their future.

Please take note of the dates for change of preferences.

# **Dates for Year 12 Students Offers (Domestic students)**

Change of preference window	Eligible for offers on
5 August (9am) – 14 December (4pm)  Closes for Vic and Qld CY12 only for all other CY12 applicants it remains open to 20 December (4pm)	18 December (December offer round domestic) Victoria and Queensland only
18 December (4pm) – 20 December (4pm)	15 January 2020 (January offer round domestic)
2 January 2020 (10am) – 2 January 2020 (4pm)  IB applicants only: COP remains open until 4 January 2020 (4pm)	15 January 2020 (January offer round domestic)
16 January 2020 (10am) – 24 January 2020 (4pm)	3 February 2020 (February offer round 1 domestic)
4 February 2020 (10am) – 4 February 2020 (4pm)	10 February 2020 (February offer round 2 domestic)
11 February 2020 (10am) – 12 February 2020 (4pm)	17 February 2020 (February offer round 3 domestic)
18 February 2020 (10am) – 19 February 2020 (4pm)	24 February 2020 (February offer round 4 domestic)

# **Dates for Year 12 Students Offers (International students)**

For consideration for offers released on	Apply by	Pay by	Change your preferences by
18 December (December offer round international)  Victoria and Queensland only	6 December (5pm)	14 December (4pm)	14 December (4pm)
7 January 2020 (January offer round 1 international)	6 December (5pm)	19 December (4pm)	2 January 2020 (4pm)  IB applicants only: 4 January
10 January 2020 (January offer round 2 international)	8 January 2020 (4pm)	8 January 2020 (4pm)	8 January 2020 (4pm)
15 January 2020 (January offer round 3 international)	13 January 2020 (4pm)	13 January 2020 (4pm)	13 January 2020 (4pm)
20 January 2020 (January offer round 4 international)	16 January 2020 (4pm)	16 January 2020 (4pm)	16 January 2020 (4pm)
24 January 2020 (January offer round 5 international)	21 January 2020 (5pm)	21 January 2020 (5pm)	21 January 2020 (5pm)



Year 12 students are reminded yet again that they cannot enrol in a CSP (Commonwealth Supported Place) university course next year without a Tax File Number (TFN). Students who do not have one are reminded to apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post office.

To apply and also to find out about participating Post Offices, visit TFN Application



## **Low Income Healthcare Card for Australian Students**

Once you have finished school you are no longer a student and you may be eligible for a **Low** Income Health Care Card.

This card gives access to a range of concessions, not only on some health care items and possible concession fares on Victorian public transport services, but also on a range of other goods and services if you are on a low income.

In particular, some TAFE and other short courses offer discounts for cardholders. You may also be eligible for public transport concessions (note that if you are studying interstate you are not eligible for public transport concessions in Victoria).

Eligibility for a Low Income Health Care Card is based on YOUR income over the previous 8 weeks. As long as your income is less than \$4488 over that period (or \$561 per week) you should qualify. You will maintain the Low Income Health Care Card as long as your income does not exceed \$5,610.00 (or \$701.25 per week) in any 8 week period.

It is highly recommended that all graduating Year 12 students consider applying for this card once the exams are over.

Visit Low Income Healthcare Card and find out more.



#### **Study Assist**

Students are encouraged to browse the following link as the website provides information to students about Australian Government assistance for financing of tertiary study. There is very useful information on study loans, how one pays back those loans, scholarship opportunities, etc. A useful PDF titled *Beyond School Study Guide* published in September last year can also be found at - <u>Beyond School Study Guide</u> **Visit Study Assist** 



### **2020 VCE Summer School Programs**

#### > Access Education Summer School

The *Access Education Summer School* program is a unique opportunity for students studying Units 3 & 4 to experience university life while preparing for the demands of the VCE year ahead. The format of the program is that extensive and detailed 3 ¼ hour VCE preparation lectures will be given, and subject specific study notes prepared by the lecturer will also be made available.

**Dates:** Tuesday 14 January to Friday 17 January 2020

**Venue:** Deakin University – Burwood Campus

Visit <u>Access Education Summer School</u> to find out more or to download a brochure for the 2020 program.

#### > The School for Excellence Summer School

**The School for Excellence (TSFX) Summer School** offers a comprehensive summer school program preparation, each lecture will thoroughly address Unit 1 or 3 materials in advance of school, and expose students to critical analytical/problem solving strategies and skills so as to maximise Unit 1 or 3 scores.

Students attending the programs receive detailed notes, fully worked examples and exercises to complete at home. The lectures are prepared and delivered by qualified, currently practicing VCE teachers and markers from top ranking schools who possess the knowledge and experience to demonstrate the means by which students can achieve higher scores.

**Dates:** Tuesday 7 January to Friday 24 January 2020

**Venue:** The University of Melbourne

Visit TSFX Summer School to find out more about the 2020 program.

#### Remember...

Students who do best at university or TAFE are not necessarily those with the highest ATARs but those with **persistence**, **determination**, **organisational and self-management skills** that are also **assertive in asking for help**. Make sure you choose a course you will enjoy and are interested in; otherwise you may experience problems with motivation.

Form **friendship** groups with other students so you can be active in groups that discuss work and share ideas. Students that are engaged in **learning communities and networks** have a more positive university experience.



#### Websites/Links

- ✓ Myfuture a career information & exploration service providing current career information, articles and links to many resources <a href="https://www.myfuture.edu.au">www.myfuture.edu.au</a>
- ✓ Careers Online career research, resume help, job hunting tips, job links, etc. <a href="https://www.careersonline.com.au">www.careersonline.com.au</a>
- ✓ Job Search Australia free online jobsite, searches can be made by region and state, occupational category, type of employment casual, part-time, or full-time, and covers a range of occupations.
  www.jobsearch.gov.au
- ✓ Victorian Government Vacancies find out about government jobs and careers available at the Victorian Government of Australia. 

  www.careers.vic.gov.au