



# **CAREERS NEWSLETTER**

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#### JobJump - Parents and students please watch YouTube video below 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.

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

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## **Parents and Carers Info Session – Maitland**

Organisation: University of Newcastle

Location: Club Maitland City

#### Date: May 8, 2025

If you have a child who is currently completing senior studies, come visit us for our Parents and Carers Info Session. Parents and Carers will have the opportunity to hear from University staff and current students, with a presentation touching on areas such as:

- Our different entry schemes, such as the Early Entry Program, Schools Recommendation Scheme & Year 12 Subject Spotlight
- Our campus locations, accommodation, scholarships and more
- Student experience and support services available

Following this, there will be an opportunity for Q&As if you had any specific inquiries. <u>Find out more and register</u>

## A Taste of Le Cordon Bleu Sydney

Organisation: Le Cordon Bleu

Location: Le Cordon Bleu Sydney

Date: May 8, 2025

You are invited to a Taste of Le Cordon Bleu Sydney! Spend an evening with our chefs and students who will showcase their skills, give you an insight into the food, wine and gastronomy business, and reveal how you could be a part of this global enterprise.

Indulge in a taste of French culture as our world-class chefs and lecturers demonstrate their expertise and the unique learning experiences offered at Le Cordon Bleu Sydney.

Find out more and register

## Meet the University of Sydney – Nowra

**Organisation:** University of Sydney **Location:** Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre





#### Date: May 8, 2025

Join us for an information evening to find out about the University of Sydney!

Learn about our Regional and Remote Entry Scheme and MySydney Scheme.

The session will also cover information about courses, admission requirements, entry schemes/pathways, fees, scholarships and accommodation, as well as the type of support available on campus. Uni students and alumni from Regional NSW will share stories, tips on moving away from home and advice about their journey to university and beyond.

You'll also get the chance to speak with staff and students and have your questions answered. <u>Find out more and register</u>

## **Medicine Information Session 2025**

Organisation: University of Notre Dame

Location: Online

Date: May 8, 2025

Join us for an online information session designed to provide you with crucial insights into Notre Dame's Doctor of Medicine program. This webinar offers a unique opportunity to delve into the program's structure, entry pathways and exciting new developments.

Find out more and register

## Your Path to Sydney – Year 10 Subject Selection Evening

Organisation: University of Sydney Location: Sydney Camperdown Campus Date: May 8, 2025

Get information and advice tailored specifically for domestic Year 10 students to help you navigate the subject selection process and prepare for your journey to university. Join us on campus for a fun and informative evening where we will address important topics such as:

- what to consider when selecting your subjects for Year 11 and 12
- the impact subject selection can have on adjustment factors
- what the ATAR is and how it's calculated
- understanding prerequisites and assumed knowledge
- tips for admission and scholarships, and
- key insights from our current students on their subject selection experiences and transition into university.

You will also have the opportunity to talk with our expert staff, including our UAC Admissions Manager, and current University of Sydney students.

Find out more and register

## **Online Information Session – Coaching**

Organisation: ACAP University College

Location: Online

Date: May 8, 2025

Can you imagine yourself as a private coach, consultant or professional facilitator? These are just a few career options you have with a qualification in Coaching.

In this real-time online information session Dr Mark Setch will share insights into studying Coaching at ACAP and how the qualification will give you the practical skills and know-how to inspire change, empower teams, and improve performance.

Find out more and register

#### Year 11 & 12 Subject Support Sessions

Organisation: University of Wollongong Location: UOW Wollongong & Liverpool Campuses & Online Date: May 12 to July 15, 2025





The University of Wollongong (UOW) is committed to providing additional resources and assistance to help students reach their potential in their final years of school.

The Year 11 & 12 Subject Support Sessions is designed to help students improve their knowledge and understanding of key subject content and discover what HSC exam markers are looking for.

In conjunction with InspirationED, experienced HSC teachers/markers and UOW staff will be running subject revision programs across May, June and July for current Year 11 and Year 12 students.

Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and receive tips and strategies directly from the most qualified and experienced HSC markers in NSW.

#### Year 11 Webinar series, online

Dates: 12 to 14 May 2025 Year 12 Webinar series, online Dates: 23 to 24 June 2025 Year 12 Bootcamp events, Wollongong campus Dates: 8 to 10 July 2025 Year 11 & 12 Intensive Science events, Wollongong campus Dates: 9 July 2025 Year 12 Bootcamp events, Liverpool campus Dates: 15 July 2025 Find out more and register

## **Career Discovery Series**

Organisation: Charles Sturt University

Location: Online Date: May 13 to May 22, 2025

Join Charles Sturt University online to discover your dream career – and how to get there! Get a behind-the-scenes look at different industries, learn what it's really like to study with us and discover how to apply for your dream course.

What to expect:

- Hear from industry experts, academics, current students and graduates.
- Discover everything you need to know about the right course for you including how to apply.
- Get your questions answered so you can kickstart your career with confidence.

Find out more and register

## **Business and Hospitality Virtual Open Day**

#### Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online

Date: May 13, 2025

Join online our as our Business and Hospitality academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

## Health and Education Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online

#### Date: May 13, 2025

Join online as our Health and Education academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.





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## **Early Offer Information Evening – Northern Rivers**

Organisation: Southern Cross University Location: SCU Lismore Campus Date: May 13, 2025 Curious about our Early Offer pathway but unsure where to start? Whether you're a parent, caregiver, or future student, join us for an exclusive information session where we'll cover everything you need to know. From how to apply, to why the Early Offer is a total game-changer, plus important dates and scholarship opportunities – we've got you covered! No matter if you're an ATAR or non-ATAR student, our Early Offer program guarantees your place at Southern Cross University before you even finish Year 12! Find out more and register

## **Talk with Psychologists and Social Workers**

Organisation: Australian Catholic University Location: Online

Date: May 13, 2025

Your work is powerful when you empower others. As a psychologist or social worker, you'll help people thrive and promote social change.

Join us online to hear from ACU students and alumni about their experiences. Take part in a Q&A and learn about the rewarding and challenging careers of psychologists and social workers. <u>Find out more and register</u>

## **NYSF Connect: Exploring Careers in Medicine**

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum Location: Online Date: May 13, 2025 Join us for an insightful webinar exploring the diverse career opportunities within medicine! Whether you're interested in research, public health or improving how humans operate in different environments, discover the various paths you can take in this rewarding field.

Find out more and register

# Young Achievers Early Offer Information Session

Organisation: University of Notre Dame Location: Notre Dame Broadway Campus Date: May 13, 2025 This session is designed to provide you with all the information you need about our Young Achievers Early Offer Program, including program details, application guidance, and scholarship opportunities. Find out more and register

## Health and Community Services Explore Day

**Organisation:** Charles Sturt University **Location:** CSU Orange Campus **Date:** May 13, 2025





Are you in Year 10, 11 or 12 and want a health career that makes a real difference? Join us for Orange Health and Community Services Explore Day.

You'll learn from industry speakers, get one-to-one advice at our expo hub and take part in two immersive workshops.

What to expect:

- Hear from health industry experts at guest speaker sessions.
- Get hands-on in health workshops in our world-class learning facilities.
- Have your course and career questions answered.
- Talk one-to-one with industry providers and course experts at the expo hub.
- Discover everything you need to know about studying health and community services.

Find out more and register

## Law & Justice Information Evening

Organisation: University of New South Wales Location: Online

Date: May 14, 2025

You are invited to join the UNSW Law & Justice Info Evening.

Join us online to hear from our academics, professional staff and current students on our Undergraduate programs and student experience.

During the event, we will delve into:

- The Undergraduate degrees on offer at UNSW Law & Justice
- Explore double degree options, entry requirements, admission pathways & scholarships
- Discuss career options, student careers and employability support
- Student life, student clubs and societies
- Have all your questions answered as part of our Q&A!

Find out more and register

#### Year 10 Guide to Uni Webinar

Organisation: Macquarie University

Location: Online

Date: May 14, 2025

If studying at uni is on your radar, why not get a head start and join us for an exclusive webinar tailored just for you! You'll learn what you can do in Years 11 and 12 to maximise your chances of getting into uni, as well as things to consider when choosing a degree. And if you're not at all sure about what type of career you might like, don't stress! We'll help you uncover your passions and guide you towards pursuing them.

You'll also hear firsthand from current Macquarie students who were in Year 10 not all that long ago! They'll share their experiences, offer insights on school subject choices, give advice about the uni application process and provide tips for making the most of student life.

Plus, our super-friendly experts from the Future Students Team will be on hand to answer all your questions, so make sure you come prepared.

Don't miss your chance to get all the info you need to best prepare you for uni.

Find out more and register

## Talk with Nutrition, Exercise and Sport Professionals

**Organisation:** Australian Catholic University

Location: Online

Date: May 14, 2025

A career in nutrition, sport or exercise science will allow you to help people achieve peak performance and optimal health and wellbeing.

Join us online to hear from ACU students and alumni about their experiences. Take part in a Q&A session about where a career in nutrition or sport and exercise science could take you.





# Take a Bite! Explore Oral Health at Sydney

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Online Date: May 14, 2025

Discover the exciting world of oral health with our experienced faculty. Hear from them about the cutting-edge curriculum, and world-class teaching facilities at Australia's First Dental School.

Explore Career opportunities in the world of Oral Health through our accredited courses that are complemented by tailored support and pathways for every student.

This webinar is designed for year 11 and 12 students from all backgrounds in Australia and provides a unique opportunity to discover their potential for a rewarding career in oral health.

Find out more and register

# Northwest Regional Career Expo 2025

Organisation: Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light Location: Tamworth Regional Entertainment and Conference Centre Date: May 14, 2025 Our Careers Expo was started in 1992 by Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light. Attendees benefited from a wide

range of exhibitors from a large variety of industries providing valuable advice and information to help further their career and business development. The event continues to provide valuable access to local and interstate exhibitors for the community and schools from Tamworth and the surrounding region.

Find out more and register

# **Design and Creative Technology Virtual Open Day**

Organisation: Torrens University Australia Location: Online

Date: May 14, 2025

Join online as our as our Design and Creative Technology academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

# **SCCE Information Session Webinar**

Organisation: Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Location: Online

Date: May 15, 2025

Preparing for your exchange program is an important part of the process and is vital to continued program success. At these online meetings, an experienced member of our team will share an overview of the high school exchange programs with Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

You'll learn more about living with a host family and how studying overseas can help you develop confidence and independence... and gain a lifetime of memories.

Explore your destinations, program options and ask questions about how you can immerse yourself into a new life, culture, family, and high school overseas.

Find out more and register

# Newcastle & Lake Macquarie Career Expo 2025

**Organisation:** Career Links

Location: Newcastle Racecourse

Date: May 15, 2025

The largest Career Expo for transitioning secondary students in the region welcomes years 10, 11 and 12 students accompanied by their Career Advisers and teachers, parents, guardians and support people.





The expo attracts a record number of local and interstate exhibitors including major universities, leading training colleges, businesses, industry representatives and community organisations. <u>Find out more and register</u>

## Your Path to Sydney – Year 10 Subject Selection Evening Online

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Online

Date: May 15, 2025

Join us online for a fun and informative session that's tailored specifically for Year 10 students to help you navigate the subject selection process and prepare for your journey to university.

Our expert staff, current University of Sydney students and a UAC representative will discuss important topics such as: what to consider when selecting your subjects for Year 11 and 12, the impact subject selection can have on adjustment factors, what the ATAR is and how it's calculated, prerequisites and assumed knowledge, tips for admission and scholarships, and key insights from our current students on their subject selection experiences and transition into university. The session will include a live Q&A.

This webinar is suitable for current domestic Year 10 students and both the parents/caregivers and teachers of domestic Year 10 students.

Find out more and register

## Meet the University of Sydney – Tamworth

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Powerhouse Hotel Tamworth by Rydges

Date: May 15, 2025

Join us for an information evening to find out about the University of Sydney!

Learn about our <u>Regional and Remote Entry Scheme</u> and <u>MySydney Scheme</u>.

The session will also cover information about courses, admission requirements, entry schemes/pathways, fees, scholarships and accommodation, as well as the type of support available on campus. Uni students and alumni from Regional NSW will share stories, tips on moving away from home and advice about their journey to university and beyond.

You'll also get the chance to speak with staff and students and have your questions answered. <u>Find out more and register</u>

#### Hunter Valley Career Expo 2025

Organisation: Hunter Valley Career Expo

Location: Maitland Basketball Stadium

Date: May 16, 2025

Make sure that you plan your visit to the Hunter Valley Career Expo so that you are able to gather as much information as you can about the careers and jobs you are interested in.

You will be able to talk to people who are working in many different types of jobs. There will be representatives from employer and professional associations, TAFEs, universities, other training providers and employment agencies.

Find out more and register

#### **Tourism Insights Sydney 2025**

Organisation: The Hotel School Australia

Location: Sydney Opera House

Date: May 17, 2025

An exclusive event for Year 12 students to explore Sydney Opera House, a leading tourism venue, to discover exciting career opportunities in the tourism industry.

This immersive experience includes a behind-the-scenes tour of Sydney Opera House, an interactive tourism workshop with a completion certificate, and insights from industry experts. You'll also have the chance to network





with industry leaders, connect with current THS students, and get your questions answered by the THS team. Plus, enjoy a complimentary morning tea and lunch while engaging with like-minded peers. <u>Find out more and register</u>

# Parents and Carers Info Session – Orange

**Organisation:** University of Newcastle **Location:** Orange Ex-Services' Club **Date:** May 19, 2025

If you have a child who is currently completing Year 12 we invite you to join us at our Parents and Carers Info Session on Monday 19 May at the Greenhouse, Orange Ex-Services Club.

Parents and Carers will have the opportunity to hear from knowledgeable university staff and current students, covering a range of different topics to assist you in supporting your child through their transition from high school to university including:

- Everything you need to know about entry schemes and pathways to university, including our Early Entry Program
- How to best support your child through the HSC as well as tips for managing wellbeing and stress
- Have the chance to speak to current University of Newcastle Student Ambassadors about their first-hand experience transitioning from school to university, student life, support services and much more

You'll also have the chance to speak one-on-one with our friendly teams to ensure you walk away feeling confident and informed.

Find out more and register

# **Greater Western Sydney Careers Market 2025**

Organisation: Brett Carter Events Location: Penrith Valley Regional Sports Centre

Date: May 21 to May 22, 2025

This event offers exhibitors the opportunity to speak to thousands of Greater Western Sydney high school students and careers advisers as these students explore career paths and further education options available to them. Organisations such as Universities, Registered Training Organisations (RTO), Apprenticeship Centre's, Group training Organisations, Private Colleges, Professional Associations and Employers attend this event to inform students about everything they need to know, covering all questions about careers and educational options after high school. <u>Find out more and register</u>

## Year 12 Information Evening

Organisation: University of Sydney Location: Sydney Camperdown Campus Date: May 21, 2025

Are you ready to take the next step?

Join us for an exclusive information evening, for Year 12 students and their caregivers, to answer all your questions about joining the vibrant Sydney University community next year.

- Explore our iconic campus, get a feel for the atmosphere and see the facilities.
- Discover the exciting range of degrees and programs we offer.
- Learn about our unique curriculum, study options and scholarships.
- Join our course advice exhibition to receive tailored advice from our degree specialist advisors, current students and staff. Get expert advice from UAC on entry requirements and the application process.

This Year 12 information evening is your chance to explore your options, get clear on the next steps, and chat to our current students and Sydney Future Students staff.





# Year 12 & Beyond – With ADHD

Organisation: Claire Pech Careers Location: Online Date: May 21 to May 28, 2025

Hosted by Claire Pech, CICA-Accredited Careers Practitioner, and Amanda Krulis, endorsed Organisational Psychologist.

Targeted to students with ADHD in Year 12, this webinar will share insights and practical solutions for managing this critical year and beyond and making meaningful career decisions. If students cannot make it a recording will be sent to all ticket holders. Although it is interactive, students will remain anonymous on the webinar. Topics covered:

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- Redefining success What is it to YOU?
- Finding and Owning your ADHD strengths
- Discovering what careers are aligned to your strengths
- Understanding the options for tertiary studies based on your interests and strengths
- Exploring the pathway options available and ways to get there using Action Plans
- Early Entry Considerations
- Quick guide to Educational Access Schemes (EAS) and adjustment points
- What is Procrastination and how to tackle it?
- How to deal with stress and staying calm
- How to use technology to your advantage with ADHD
- Q&A

#### Webinar dates

Wednesday 21 May, 7.00pm - 8:30pm AEST Thursday 29 May, 7.00pm - 8:30pm AEST <u>Find out more and register</u>

# Ag Careers Day @ Wagga Wagga TAFE

#### Organisation: TAFE NSW

Location: TAFE NSW Wagga Wagga Campus

Date: May 22, 2025

Planned by Training Services NSW and TAFE NSW, Year 9 and Year 10 students are welcome to attend Ag Careers Day hosted by TAFE NSW Primary Industries Centre, Wagga Wagga.

Students are able to participate in five workshops held throughout the day and ask staff and teachers all their questions regarding agriculture courses available at TAFE NSW.

Find out more and register

## **Open Day, Sydney**

**Organisation:** Academy of Interactive Entertainment **Location:** AIE Sydney Campus

#### Date: May 24, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Open Day. It's is a great opportunity to meet our teachers, staff and students. The day will cover everything you need to know about the:

- careers in games and VFX that we train students for;
- studios and industries that we work with;
- courses we offer from beginners to professional mastery, and;
- the software, skills and knowledge we teach.

AIE's Open Day will also include presentations on entry requirements and how to apply. Find out how AIE can get you into a creative career.





## **BiG Day In, Parramatta**

Organisation: ACS Foundation Location: WSU Parramatta City Campus Date: May 28, 2025 Join us at Parramatta CBD Campus Western Sydney University for BiG Day In Parramatta – hear from organisations including Microsoft, Google, Westpac, Wisetech Global & more to come about where a STEM career can take you. Find out more and register

# Unlocking Careers in Sport and Health – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student Experience Day

**Organisation:** Western Sydney University **Location:** WSU Parramatta South Campus

Date: May 28, 2025

This on campus event for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander High School students in Years 9-12, raises knowledge and aspiration for careers in the Sport and Health industries. Students will participate in their choice of practical workshops, a Q&A Yarn Up with Indigenous industry professionals to gain insights into their work, education journey and careers.

Find out more and register

## HSC and Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses

Location: Royal Randwick Racecourse

Date: May 29 to May 31, 2025

The HSC and Careers Expo 2025 will be held on Thursday 29 May, Friday 30 May and Saturday 31 May, 9am-3pm at the Royal Randwick Racecourse.

On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English and Maths plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through UAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

Find out more and register

## Open Day 2025

Organisation: Endeavour College of Natural Health

Location: Endeavour Adelaide, Brisbane, Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth & Sydney Campuses

Date: May 31, 2025

Open Day is a unique opportunity to see your local campus first-hand and chat one-on-one with experts before you take the plunge and enrol.

Why not see what student life with Endeavour College looks like? Tour the facilities, learn about student life, and chat to our team of academics and admissions advisers on the day. Friends and family are welcome to accompany you.

Find out more and register

## **Online Campus Day**

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: Online

## Date: June 7, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Online Campus Day. AIE will be running this event for students interested in studying online. You will be able to meet our teachers, explore how classes will run, course options, career pathways and see our amazing student work.

We will be covering everything you need to know about the:

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Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Online

Date: June 11, 2025

Join us online for an exclusive information evening for Year 12 students and their caregivers to answer all your questions about joining the vibrant Sydney University community next year.

Hear from our expert staff to learn about university entry, scholarships, study options, accommodation options, interstate-specific information and more.

Get expert advice on entry requirements and the application process from UAC and the Sydney Future Students team.

Discover the exciting journey that awaits you as a current student shares their own journey to university and their University of Sydney experience.

Have your questions answered during the live Q&A at the end of the session.

Find out more and register

## EngFest 2025

**Organisation:** Charles Sturt University **Location:** CSU Bathurst Campus

Date: June 16, 2025

EngFest is Charles Sturt's annual celebration of civil engineering, with exhibitions and presentations of student works and research, school visits and information sessions, a careers expo, industry networking, professional development events and more.

It brings together students, cadet and professional civil engineers, researchers, representatives of Engineers Australia, interested members of the public and school students.

Find out more and register

## Sydney Open Campus 2025

Organisation: The Hotel School Location: The Hotel School Sydney Campus

Date: June 21, 2025

Join us for an inspiring day at The Hotel School Australia's Open Campus, where you'll experience student life first hand through an exclusive Masterclass, hear from a special industry guest speaker, meet our academic and support teams, explore course options, and discover career pathways with our Professional Learning team. You'll also have the chance to connect with current students and fellow attendees - all while enjoying light refreshments. Whether you're a high school student, considering a transfer, or exploring new opportunities, this event is the perfect way to take the next step.

Find out more and register

## Open Day 2025, Sydney

**Organisation:** Australian Institute of Music **Location:** AIM Sydney Campus

Date: June 21, 2025

Join us for Open Day, and experience everything AIM has to offer. Register to save your spot today! See our campus, get course advice, experience live performances, meet our academics and students, and get involved in activities that will give you a taste of student life here at AIM.

Whether you're ready to study now, or in five years, Open Day is open to all and a fantastic opportunity to discover how the Australian Institute of Music can help turn your passion for music into a career.





## **UTS Tech Fest**

**Organisation:** University of Technology Sydney **Location:** UTS City Campus **Date:** June 23 to July 4, 2025

Are you a high school student dreaming of a career in tech? Come and feed your curiosity at Tech Fest.

- Explore the study and career possibilities in Engineering and IT. Whether it's cybersecurity, civil engineering, robotics, or artificial intelligence, see the exciting opportunities in these areas and how you can be part of the next big thing!
- Hear from current students about their study journeys and career aspirations. Get an insight into the life of an engineering or IT student at UTS and discover the student societies you could join.
- We'll take you behind the scenes with exclusive lab tours. See how cutting-edge tech brings new ideas to life.

Find out more and register

# Western Sydney Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses

Location: Sydney Olympic Park

**Date:** June 26 to June 28, 2025

The Western Sydney Careers Expo 2025 will be held on Thursday 26 June, Friday 27 June and Saturday 28 June, 9am-3pm at Sydney Olympic Park.

On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English and Maths plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through UAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

Find out more and register

## Open Day 2025, Wollongong

**Organisation:** University of Wollongong **Location:** UOW Wollongong Campus

Date: June 28, 2025

The University of Wollongong (UOW) Open Day is the perfect opportunity to visit our amazing Wollongong campus, speak with our staff and students, and see why UOW is ranked as one of the best universities for student experience.

Whether you are looking at your next steps after Year 12, or you finished school some time ago and are looking for a pathway into university, Open Day is for you.

Find out more and register

## 2025 STEM-Sell

**Organisation:** The Engineering Link Group **Location:** WestConnex Motorway Control Centre **Date:** July 1 to July 2, 2025

The Engineering Link Group's STEM-Sell program is designed for Year 8 and 9 students. This engaging, low-stakes competition allows teams of three students from each school to complete an engineering challenge. Hosted either at a venue nominated by the sponsor or at a local high school, the program provides a unique opportunity for students to explore the exciting world of engineering.

Due to the demand in 2024, we are offering two separate days. Schools are encouraged to register for one day only. The program on both days is the same.

Date: Tuesday 1st July OR Wednesday 2nd July 2025

**Time**: 9.15 am to 2.15 pm





## Year 9 Campus Connect – Coffs Harbour

Organisation: Southern Cross University Location: SCU Coffs Harbour Campus Date: July 2, 2025 Are your students wondering what your local Southern Cross campus looks like and has to offer? Come on campus with your year 9 students and learn all about our university. Participate in a tour, panel session and activities all lead by our current students and Future Students Team. Registrations close 16th June. Find out more and register

## Open Day 2025

Organisation: Western Sydney University Location: WSU Parramatta South Campus Date: July 6, 2025 Open Day will be held Sunday, 6 July 2025 and is a great opportunity to discover all that Western has to offer. Explore course options, meet academics and find out about our pathway options. Find out more and register

## **NAS Winter School**

Organisation: National Art School Location: National Art School Date: July 7 to July 11, 2025 NAS' short courses are for students of all levels of experience, from beginners to intermediate and advanced. Whether you're a complete beginner, reigniting former interests, or refining your practice, you'll enjoy this immersive week of artmaking at NAS. Find out more and register

## **Outward Bound Leadership Program**

Organisation: Outward Bound Location: Tharwa, ACT Date: July 7 to July 11, 2025

A chance for young adults ages 16 to 24 years to discover their leadership skills and strengths. Meet like-minded connections and add a highlight experience to your resume.

By using the outdoors as your teacher, the Outward Bound Leadership program will lead you through the Australian bush on a journey of self-improvement. Develop your abilities as a leader and strengthen trusted skills on how to best apply yourself in all your future endeavours. You'll find you're much more capable than what you thought. Your group will need to work together while organising camp, cooking on fires, navigating through the wilderness, and summiting peaks. The individual challenges such as high ropes and abseil are supported by your two Outward Bound facilitators, who will expertly explore and discuss how to apply these experiences to your life back home. Outward Bound Leadership can be attended to complete the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award: Gold Residential Project.

Find out more and register

## Holiday Workshop – The Art of Lyrics, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music Location: AIM Sydney Campus Date: July 7 to July 8, 2025 Created for students in Years 9-12, AIM's new high school music workshops provide incredible opportunities to explore songwriting, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.





This songwriting workshop is essential for any high school students curious about writing songs and performing and is a golden opportunity to work with incredibly accomplished songwriters. Join us these school holidays and discover the songwriter and performer you were born to become. <u>Find out more and register</u>

# Holiday Workshop – Mastering Performance, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Sydney Campus

#### Date: July 7 to July 8, 2025

AIM's new school holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in music performance. Created for students in Years 9-12, the workshops provide incredible opportunities to experience playing and performing music, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

Learn, practice and perform contemporary and classic pop, rock and soul tunes, under the expertise of Australia's leading music mentors.

Find out more and register

## **Campion Winter Program**

#### Organisation: Campion College

Location: Campion College Toongabbie

#### Date: July 8 to July 11, 2025

Join us for Winter Program, a unique opportunity designed for Year 11 and 12 students who are earnestly contemplating enrolment at Campion College in 2026 or 2027.

Our immersive four-day program provides the opportunity to reside on campus and interact with like-minded peers. We have a fun-filled schedule including a bonfire night, movies, trivia, dancing and sports, as well as sample lectures from our history, literature, philosophy, theology and classics professors.

Given the specialised nature of this program, we have limited spots available to ensure a focused and enriching experience. We encourage interested parties to take a moment to seriously consider if this program aligns with their aspirations before registering.

Find out more and register

## **Designer for a Day Workshop**

Organisation: Sydney Design School

Location: Sydney Design School, North Sydney

Date: July 8, 2025

Curious about what it might be like to work as an Interior Designer? We have developed the perfect one day workshop for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to find out more. You'll get hands on in our studios experimenting with colour and materials. Find out what it takes to become a professional Interior Designer and understand what an average day looks like on the job! We've included a 3D modelling activity to give you an opportunity to create an interior space.

Find out more and register

#### **Future Doctors Australia, Sydney**

#### Organisation: National Institute of Education

Location: Sydney

#### Date: July 10 to July 13, 2025

Gaining medical work experience is essential for young people considering a career in medicine. It provides insight into the field, helps develop skills and attributes, and provides networking opportunities. However, obtaining medical work experience can be challenging due to various restrictions such as limited opportunities, safety concerns, and confidentiality issues.

That's why NIE has developed the "Future Doctors Australia" program. It is an engaging and high-impact 4-day program that provides young people aged 14-18 with a unique opportunity to gain medical work experience in a safe and structured environment. Participants will have the opportunity to spend time with current junior and





senior medical students. They will also have the rare opportunity to spend time with more senior clinicians and various medical specialists. You will get to learn about clinical specialist's relevant fields of work, ask them questions, and learn some hands-on skills from them.

- Over 15 hours of face-to-face interaction with leading specialists and clinicians
- Meet current medical students
- Develop advanced communication and team working skills
- Create new friendships with like-minded, highly driven young individuals
- Learn about the admission process into various medical universities in Australia
- Morning tea and lunch included

Find out more and register

## **Event Creation: The Ultimate High School Workshop**

Organisation: International College of Management Sydney

Location: ICMS Sydney

Date: July 10, 2025

Join us for an exciting hands-on workshop where you'll dive into the world of event planning! Whether you dream of organising epic school formals, unforgettable parties, or community events, this workshop is your chance to learn the ins and outs of creating experiences that leave a lasting impression.

Find out more and register

## 2025 Tahgara Program

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Sydney Camperdown Campus

Date: July 14 to July 18, 2025

The Tahgara Program is an intensive week-long residential program at the University of Sydney, designed to prepare Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Year 12 students for their final exams and equip them for their journey into higher education.

Students attend workshops presented by exam markers, expert tutors, faculty academics, and university staff and students. Designed to build educational capacity and motivation, students participating in the Tahgara Program will experience an individually tailored program, guiding them through scholarship applications, university pathways, exam preparation, as well as receiving one-on-one subject specific tutoring.

There is no cost for the schools or families of students who participate in the Tahgara Program. The University of Sydney will pay for travel, meals, accommodation and all other expenses associated with the program.

This program is open to all Year 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from across Australia.

#### The application deadline is Thursday 8th of May 2025.

Find out more and register

#### **NYSF STEM Hub, Sydney**

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum

#### Location: Sydney

Date: July 15 to July 18, 2025

A STEM Hub is a non-residential STEM experience where you can connect with STEM pathways and careers around Australia. You'll join exclusive behind-the-scenes experiences typically inaccessible to the public and connect with STEM professionals—a crucial networking opportunity for your future.

Whether you're passionate about robotics, biomedicine, astronomy, biology, or anything in between, there's a STEM Hub waiting to show you what a STEM career is really like!

Find out more and register

#### **2025 NYSF National Youth STEM Summit**

**Organisation:** National Youth Science Forum **Location:** Melbourne





#### Date: July 19 to July 21, 2025

Returning in 2025, the National Youth STEM Summit is an exclusive three-day conference-style event specifically designed to help you smash your study goals and secure your dream job.

The program boasts a diverse range of sessions, including:

- Keynote presentations from some of Australia's foremost STEM leaders
- Panel discussions exploring a range of topics, disciplines, and study and career pathways
- Workshops that offer practical strategies to help you thrive in your studies and/or career
- Networking opportunities to connect with like-minded peers and key government, industry and academic professionals

This Summit is aimed at young people between 18-25 who have completed high school and are making decisions about their futures in STEM.

Registrations will open in mid-April, and equity pricing is available for individuals who are full-time students, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders, from rural or remote regions, have a disability, or are experiencing financial hardship.

Find out more and register

## **Open Day 2025, Liverpool**

Organisation: University of Wollongong

Location: UOW Liverpool Campus

Date: July 26, 2025

The University of Wollongong (UOW) Open Day is the perfect opportunity to visit our Liverpool campus, speak with our staff and students, and see why UOW is ranked as one of the best universities for student experience.

Whether you are looking at your next steps after Year 12, or you finished school some time ago and are looking for a pathway into university, Open Day is for you.

Find out more and register

## **Northern Rivers Careers Expo 2025**

Organisation: Connect Northern Rivers

Location: Lismore Showgrounds

Date: July 29, 2025

Held annually in July, the Northern Rivers Careers Expo is the region's premier careers event. Showcasing career advice, further education, jobs and training, it is an opportunity for local school leavers, job seekers and workers to develop genuine long-term career prospects.

Exhibitors include apprenticeship organisations, career pathway advisers, employers, tertiary education, training providers, universities and volunteer organisations. A one-stop-shop for anyone wanting to begin or grow their career.

Find out more and register

## 2025 Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expo – Central Coast

**Organisation:** Brett Carter Events **Location:** Mingara Recreation Club

Date: July 29, 2025

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# Open Day 2025, Port Macquarie

Organisation: Charles Sturt University Location: CSU Port Macquarie Campus

Date: August 3, 2025

Discover what uni life is like! Whether you're in high school, looking to upskill, want to change careers, or are a parent, teacher or carer – there's something for everyone.

- Jump on a campus tour explore our facilities and accommodation.
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## 2025 Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expo – Parramatta & Hills District

Organisation: Brett Carter Events

Location: Wenty Leagues

#### Date: August 5, 2025

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## Open Day 2025, Wagga Wagga

Organisation: Charles Sturt University Location: CSU Wagga Wagga Campus Date: August 10, 2025

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## **Open Day 2025, Coffs Harbour**

Organisation: Southern Cross University

Location: SCU Coffs Harbour Campus

Date: August 10, 2025

Open Day at Southern Cross University is a perfect opportunity to discover which courses spark your interest and the campus or study mode that works best for you.





Our friendly study specialists will be on hand to step you through the process of applying for your dream course and answer any questions you have about studying with us. Find out more and register

## Sydney Careers & Employment Expo 2025

Organisation: Kym Jones Exhibitions

Location: Hordern Pavilion, Moore Park

Date: August 15 to August 16, 2025

Sydney's Careers & Employment Event will open on August 15 & 16, 2025, at the Hordern Pavilion, Moore Park. The Expo will showcase over 120 organisations and employers with career opportunities for all ages. Entry is free. The event is for school students, parents, teachers, graduates, job seekers, people looking for courses and workers seeking new opportunities.

Find out more and register

## Open Day 2025

**Organisation:** Macquarie University **Location:** Macquarie Wallumattagal Campus **Date:** August 16, 2025 We can't wait to welcome you to our campus in 2025! What you can do on Open Day:

- Attend an info session on some of our most popular degrees
- Speak with our academics about our degrees, majors and specialisations, and how they'll uniquely prepare you for your first career, or help you upskill or reskill if your career is already underway
- Learn about our scholarships, adjustment factors and pathways; and RPL (recognition of prior learning) if you've studied before
- Chat with current students about uni life
- Jump on a campus tour and check out our awesome facilities

Open Day is an experience made for (YOU)<sup>us</sup>. https://youtu.be/uYH0yfYWQZY <u>Find out more and register</u>

## **Newcastle Open Day 2025**

Organisation: University of Newcastle

Location: UON, Callaghan & City Campuses

Date: August 16, 2025

Open Day is packed with everything you need to know about going to the University of Newcastle. Participate in degree presentations, info sessions and tours of the campus.

Enjoy a hands-on experience with our program activations, and ask our student ambassadors questions about uni life.

Find out more and register

## Open Day 2025

**Organisation:** International College of Management Sydney

Location: ICMS Manly Campus

Date: August 16, 2025

At the ICMS Open Day you will learn about all the degrees offered and discover why ICMS's personal mentoring approach could make all the difference to your future career success – and help you to make the most of your student years!

- Learn about Undergraduate and Postgraduate Degrees
- Attend Degree Course Briefings with Lecturers
- Get insights from Current Students
- Find out about Scholarships, Early Entry, the Leadership Entry Program and the Elite Athlete Program





- Learn about our Work Integrated Learning (Internship) Program
- Speak personally to Admissions

Find out more and register

## Open Day 2025, Sydney

Organisation: ACAP University College Location: ACAP Sydney Campus Date: August 16, 2025 Open Day is your chance to experience the ACAP difference, and find your path in the applied professions. Whether you're interested in Counselling, Psychology, Social Work, Criminology, Law, or Business, ACAP is your pathway to making a difference. Be part of a workshop, meet our industry-renowned facilitators, and hear all about life as an ACAP student. Join us for a day of exploration and inspiration!

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# Open Day 2025, Byron Bay

Organisation: SAE University College Location: SAE Byron Bay Campus Date: August 16, 2025 We're opening the doors to the campus for our biggest event of the year – Open Day! Come and tour our facilities, speak to faculty members, meet current students, and find out everything you need to know about studying at SAE. If you're considering studying creative media, come along to SAE's Open Day to speak to our experienced team and learn how you can pursue your passion in this dynamic and expanding industry. Find out more and register

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## Open Day 2025, Sydney

**Organisation:** La Trobe University **Location:** La Trobe Sydney Campus





#### Date: August 16, 2025

Why attend Open Day at La Trobe?

- Chat with current students, alumni and teachers to get first-hand advice about your dream course, or just about the best places to eat on campus.
- Explore the campus by yourself or join a guided tour. See our world-class health facilities, leading IT and science labs, business trading room, accommodation and much more.
- Discover your options for placements, internships and work-based learning, and get all your questions answered about your dream course.
- Get a taste of what it's really like to be at uni. Join events and activities or kick back and enjoy the campus Open Day is the place to see it all.

Find out more and register

## **Open Day 2025, Northern Rivers**

Organisation: Southern Cross University

Location: SCU Northern Rivers Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

Open Day at Southern Cross University is a perfect opportunity to discover which courses spark your interest and the campus or study mode that works best for you.

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# Open Day 2025, Albury-Wodonga

Organisation: Charles Sturt University

Location: CSU Albury-Wodonga Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

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**Organisation:** Brett Carter Events Location: TBA Newcastle

Date: August 19, 2025

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## **Open Day 2025, Bathurst**

**Organisation:** Charles Sturt University

Location: CSU Bathurst Campus

#### Date: August 24, 2025

Discover what uni life is like! Whether you're in high school, looking to upskill, want to change careers, or are a parent, teacher or carer – there's something for everyone.

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#### 2025 Apprenticeship/Traineeship & Jobs Expo – South Western Sydney & Macarthur

**Organisation:** Brett Carter Events Location: Liverpool Catholic Club Date: August 26, 2025

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## **Central Coast Open Day 2025**

Organisation: University of Newcastle

Location: UON Ourimbah & Gosford Campuses

Date: August 30, 2025

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**Open Day 2025, Orange** 





Organisation: Charles Sturt University Location: CSU Orange Campus Date: August 31, 2025

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## 2026 National Youth Science Forum Year 12 Program

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum

Location: ANU Acton Campus & UQ St Lucia Campus

#### Date: January 6 to January 21, 2026

Are you in Year 11 in 2025? Apply now to join us in January!

The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) Year 12 Program gives students that are about to start Year 12 a broader understanding of study and career options available in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Staying on campus at university colleges, students are immersed in science and technology. Participants:

- participate in tours of science and technology facilities,
- learn about cutting-edge research,
- engage with industry partners and research providers,
- learn about university, training and STEM career pathways,
- mix with like-minded students their age from all over Australia,
- participate in social and team building activities, and
- network with former NYSF participants.

In January 2026, the NYSF Year 12 Program will run two summer sessions at:

- The Australian National University, Canberra (6 –14 January 2026)
- The University of Queensland, Brisbane (13 21 January 2026)

As part of the application process, any students experiencing financial hardship or another disadvantage that negatively impacts their ability to attend the program may apply for an <u>NYSF Access and Equity Scholarship</u>. We also encourage students to seek financial support from NYSF's founding partner, Rotary. Many Rotary Clubs are familiar with the NYSF and able to offer some level of funding or assist students to fundraise to attend. You can use the <u>Rotary Club Finder</u> to search for your local Club.

Applications close 20 June 2025. You will be advised of the outcome of your application by mid-August. <u>Find out more and register</u>

# **Scholarships**

## Vice Chancellor's Elite Scholarship

Organisation: Bond University Location: Australia Value: 100% fee waiver Open Date: May 1, 2025 Close Date: July 31, 2025 Find out more





## **BUFTA 2025**

Organisation: Bond University Location: All Value: See details Open Date: May 1, 2025 Close Date: September 15, 2025 Find out more

# **Weekly Posts**

# **Personal Skills**

## Life maps - Why do you need one?

Most of us don't live life according to a map. We float from one thing to another, which is great, because it gives us the flexibility to go with the flow and make the most of opportunities. There is, however, a downside to making things up as you go.

If you ever want to achieve anything big, like a trip around the world, building your own home, or working for Apple, you're much more likely to get there if you know where you are going. Which is where life mapping comes in. You are the one writing this story – you get to decide where your life is going to lead, so you need the skills to draw your map with confidence. There's no guarantee you'll follow this map exactly - in fact, it's highly likely that your map will change as you travel and grow. But it can still be a great reminder of your big goals and help you get back on track when you're feeling lost.

#### What is a life map?

A life map is a visual way of plotting out what's possible for your future. You have a starting place (where you are now) and one or more possible destinations (where you want to be) - then you need to fill in the gaps in between that tell you how you'll get from A to B.

You can come back to your life map anytime you have a decision to make about where you go next. Think of it as a tool you can use to keep you on track and heading in the right direction.

## What should a life map include?

Here's an overview of the things you can include in your life map. Remember, there's no 'right' or 'wrong' when it comes to life mapping, so just use these suggestions as a guide instead of hard-and-fast rules.

#### **Big goals – Your destination options**

Is there anything you *must* do in your life? Any activity or challenge that you wouldn't feel complete without? Big goals can be skills you want to master, a career you'd love to have, places you want to visit, or things you want to achieve. Whatever your goals are, they can all go on your life map.

## A roadmap – The paths you can choose from

It's not enough to know where you want to go; you also need to know the route you plan to take to get there. This means you need to know what steps you need to take to get to your goals, including how long they'll take and how much they'll cost, as well as what you'll need to do to get started.

Remember, there's more than one way to get to every destination, so don't just include the most obvious routes. Try to think outside the box and include multiple options, even if you don't think you'll need them (after all, you'll never know).

#### Ways of being – Your modes of transportation





If you want to live your life according to a set of principles, then you need to add that to your life map. Do you want a life full of adventure, or spirituality, or do you want a life of service? Do you want to be famous, or wealthy, or calm?

You may already have a pretty established way of being, but if not, that's OK - you can pick one or two that speak to you.

#### How to create a life map

Creating your life map may take a little time, but we're talking about fun stuff here and there's no 'right' or 'wrong', so there's no pressure. You don't have to show anyone your life map if you're not comfortable, so don't hold back – put everything on there.

Your life map can look however you want it to. It could be colourful or plain, include pictures and quotes, resemble a mood board, or just use text and descriptions. There are no rules to follow, and the most important thing is that end result works for you. At the end of this article you'll find a template you can use if you need a place to start, then follow these steps to fill it in:

#### Step 1 – Where are you right now?

Take a second to note down where you are – how old you are, where you live, the things you like, and the things that motivate you. You could also include your job (if you have one) or any activities you take part in, and estimate how you're going at school. This is your starting point, so it's good to be clear about where you are.

#### Step 2 – Choose your destinations

We recommend you try to cut it back to two or three destinations at this point – too many and your life map can become cluttered and unfocused. Once you have them, space them across your map.

You may want to add some details here, like what kinds of things you'll be doing, where you'll live, what kind of house you'll live in, how much time you'll spend at work, who else is in your life, or even what kind of car you'll drive. Anything that's important to this goal should be included here – be specific.

#### Step 3 – Build your roadmap

For each destination, fill out a couple of routes that will get you there. If you need to finish school, get a VET qualification, or go to university, then include that along your pathway, and include details like how much the qualification will cost, and how long it will take to achieve. Most of the time you'll be able to come up with a couple of pathways that end up at the same place, so don't limit yourself to just the most obvious one.

As you get further away from your starting point (and closer to your destination) you may find it more difficult to be specific, but that's OK. Just note down what you can. You may also need to branch out multiple times before you get to your destination, and that's fine too.

#### Step 4 – How are you going to get there?

We each have our own unique way of tackling life, and that's totally normal. Once you know where you are, where you're going, and the route you want to take, then you need to work out how you're going to make your way between the two.

For example, if you like to tackle life head-on, then you can factor that in – you may know that you'll complete your degree in the minimum time required, and are prepared to put in the hours. Or if you value balance, you may choose to combine study with part-time work and travel, taking longer to get there but seeing more on the way.

#### Once you have your life map, what's next?

Life maps aren't static – they're just a reflection of your thoughts and ideas at one moment in time. You can adjust your life map as you grow and change, or even scrap it completely if it doesn't make sense any more. Life can often change around us, outside of our control, and you may need to factor these changes into your map along the way. If you want to increase your chances of reaching the destinations on your map, we recommend telling someone you trust about your plans – but if you don't feel comfortable, then you don't need to share it at all. We also recommend that you keep your life map somewhere safe and use it just like you would any other map.

Refer to it when needed to keep yourself headed in the right direction.





#### Download the life map template

Need help starting your life map? We've created a handy template you can use. <u>Click here to download the PDF</u> <u>template</u>.

#### Find out more

You can find heaps more blogs and resources on study, work, and life on Study Work Grow.

## Jobs & Careers

#### **National Careers Week 2025**

National Careers Week (NCW) Australia is just around the corner for 2025, running from 12-18 May. This year, the theme is "Future Frontiers: Navigating New Career Pathways".

This annual event offers a fantastic opportunity for students to explore potential career paths, for parents to support their children's future planning, and for teachers to bring real-world relevance into the classroom.

#### What is National Careers Week?

National Careers Week is a nationwide initiative dedicated to promoting career education, guidance, and opportunities across Australia. The aim is to help students discover potential career paths, connect education with future employment possibilities, build stronger networks between schools and businesses, and showcase the changing world of work and emerging industries.

#### Why should you get involved?

Wondering how NCW could benefit you? Whether you're a student, parent, or teacher, there's something for everyone.

#### Students

National Careers Week could help you gain insight into careers you might never have considered. And if you're not sure what you want to do once you graduate, it might help you develop a clearer understanding of your future options.

You'll learn what skills employers are looking for, make valuable connections with professionals, and get practical advice on pathways to your dream career.

#### **Parents and carers**

As a parent or carer, participating in NCW allows you to better support your young person's career exploration journey and understand the changing landscape of work they'll enter.

You'll gain tools for meaningful conversations about their strengths and interests, helping them navigate the many pathways available while connecting your own network to their career exploration.

#### Teachers

You probably know this already, but National Careers Week 2025 provides opportunities to bring real-world relevance to your curriculum and help students see the connection between classroom learning and future careers. You'll be able to further support students in developing career management skills, create opportunities for authentic career exploration, and build valuable connections with local industries and businesses.

#### Activities to try during National Careers Week 2025

One of the best parts of National Careers Week is the opportunity to attend (or host) some great events or activities where you can explore everything careers.

#### Schools and teachers

National Careers Week is the perfect time to run career-related events and activities in the classroom. You might have a "Future Jobs" focused assembly, try classroom activities like the <u>AweHunters</u> that link curriculum to careers, run a <u>workshop on resume writing and interview skills</u>, or host your own careers expo with local businesses.





We've also created a <u>Career Wall Display</u> for National Careers Week featuring 160 different jobs, designed to illustrate and inspire new career pathways and start engaging conversations with students all about careers. If there's not enough time to organise your own event, you could see what else is on locally. Reach out to local industry speakers to talk about different subject areas and opportunities, or encourage students to find job shadowing or work experience opportunities.

Need some more inspiration or tools to help you plan? There are some great free resources available from NCW - <u>find them here</u>.

#### **Parents and carers**

You can get involved too, even if you're time poor. You could attend school or local career events with your child or arrange conversations with people in fields they're curious about.

There are heaps of ways to participate without even leaving the house - help your child research careers aligned with their <u>Cluster</u> and interests, watch documentaries or movies about a range of careers, or explore online career resources and pathways together.

#### Students

Speak to your Careers Advisor, Counsellor, or Guidance Officer at school to find out what's going on during National Careers Week - they might have some brilliant suggestions.

If you're keen to take some initiative, speak to people working in a field you're curious about and look for opportunities for volunteering, job shadowing, or work experience. Research a bunch of pathways to careers that interest you, or create a vision board for your future goals.

This is also the perfect time to start (or update) your resume and practice explaining your strengths, values, and interests.

Check out the <u>events</u> running around the country, <u>on-demand webinars</u> to watch at any time, as well as <u>all the</u> <u>other resources on offer</u>.

#### Making it count beyond the week

National Careers Week is a fantastic starting point, but career development is an ongoing journey. Here are some ways you can keep career conversations going throughout the whole year at school or home:

- Set up regular check-ins to discuss career plans
- Create a calendar of career events throughout the year
- Integrate career education into regular curriculum
- Build a career resource library
- Schedule follow-up activities based on NCW

#### Start exploring

Career development isn't about picking the "perfect" job – it's about building awareness, skills, and networks that will support you across your entire life, no matter where it might lead.

Find out more at the <u>National Careers Week website</u>, or head to <u>Study Work Grow</u> for more career information and inspiration.

# University

## **Early entry: Quick facts**

If you're in Year 12 this year, you've probably already started thinking about university. But you don't need to wait until the end of the year - you can secure your place at university before you sit your end of year exams. Read on to learn some interesting facts about early entry.

#### What is early entry?

Early entry gives you the chance to receive an offer to university before you've finished your exams. This can give you peace of mind and help you be more relaxed during what can be a stressful time.





One important thing to note is that most early offers are conditional - this means you need to meet one or more 'conditions' before your offer becomes final. Common conditions include things like completing Year 12, achieving a minimum ATAR, or completing prerequisite subjects.

#### How do I apply for early entry?

Most universities manage their own early entry programs, so you'll be applying directly instead of through a Tertiary Admission Centre (though sometimes you'll need to apply through both).

Unfortunately, this means they all have different application processes and dates.

But don't worry. Each year, we compile a guide with key information on every early entry program available in Australia, making it easy to find the information you need. <u>You can grab the latest edition of the Early Entry Guide</u> <u>from the library</u> - or if your school has a Study Work Grow membership, ask your careers advisor for a copy.

#### Quick facts about early entry

Curious to learn more? We've put together some interesting facts about early entry over the last year, and what you might be able to expect this year. You can read them in our infographic here.

#### Want to find out more?

Have more questions? We've provided the answers to some of the most commonly asked questions about early entry - <u>you can read them here</u>.

Or you can read heaps of other blogs on early entry, university pathways, and more about study on our website here.

# **Job Spotlights**

## How to become an Electoral Worker

Electoral workers are responsible for organising and supervising local, state, and federal elections. They might help people vote on the day, count ballots, answer phones, and do all sorts of behind-the-scenes work to make sure election day runs smoothly.

If you have an interest in politics, are hands-on and friendly, and are looking for work to do between your day-today job, you might like to consider becoming an electoral worker.

#### What skills do I need as an electoral worker?

- Excellent communicator
- Friendly & inviting
- Willing to work on your feet
- Patient & calm
- Can work in teams & alone
- Good with technology
- Strong attention to detail
- Unbiased & impartial

#### What does the job involve?

- Setting up voting centres with tables, signs, etc.
- Checking voter eligibility & registration
- Answering questions voters might have
- Assisting people with special needs to vote
- Storing, sorting & transporting ballots
- Ensuring ballot secrecy & security
- Counting ballots at the end of the day
- Maintaining election records & documents

#### What industries do electoral workers typically work in?





• Public Administration & Safety

#### What Career Cluster do electoral workers belong to?

Electoral workers are primarily part of the <u>Coordinator Cluster</u>, using their skills to manage voting stations, organise staff, and ensure smooth operations on election day.

The job is also suitable for <u>Linkers</u> who excel at providing important information to voters and answering questions.

#### What kind of lifestyle can I expect?

This work is highly seasonal and is usually only available around election time, so it probably won't be your full-time job - you'll need to keep an eye out to see when upcoming jobs are available.

Expect to work long hours on election day as well as the days and weeks leading up to it. Most of your work will need to be done in-person.

Your pay will also vary greatly depending on how many hours you work and your specific responsibilities.

#### How to become an electoral worker

You don't need any specific qualifications to be an electoral worker. You will receive training close to or on election day on how to perform specific duties and tasks.

In most cases you will need to be of voting age, but there might be some roles available for younger people too.

- Finish high school with a focus on English.
- Get experience volunteering in your community.
- Register your interest around election time for upcoming jobs.
- Complete any required on-the-job training.
- Try out a variety of electoral work roles.

#### What can I do right now to work towards this career?

If you're in high school and you'd like to find out if electoral work is right for you, here are a few things you could do right now:

- 1. Get lots of experience volunteering in your community this will help you build up valuable skills and look great on your resume.
- 2. Start learning about politics and the electoral process. If you're interested in a future career in politics, electoral work is a great way to get started.
- 3. Talk to an electoral worker to see what their job involves. If you don't know anyone, try to find videos or documentaries instead.

#### Where can I find more information?

- Australian Electoral Commission
- Electoral Commission New Zealand | Te Kaitiaki Take Kowhiri
- Electoral Commission UK
- US Election Assistance Commission
- Elections Canada

#### Similar careers to electoral worker

- Politician
- Political Staffer
- Journalist
- Police Officer
- Administrator
- Social Worker
- Demographer
- <u>Call Centre Agent</u>

Find out more about alternative careers on our Job Spotlights page.