



Dates to Diarise in Term 4

- Year 12 VTAC late applications – throughout October (with late fee)



Reminder: VTAC 2026 Upcoming Key Dates



ATARs Released	Thursday 11 December 2025
Change of Preference (CoP) closes	Saturday 13 December 2025
December Round Offers	Tuesday 23 December 2025
January Round One Offers	Tuesday 13 January 2026
January Round Two Offers	Tuesday 27 January 2026
February Offer Rounds	Tuesday 3 February 2026 onwards

Students applying for courses with **essential requirements** (i.e., submitting a folio, a pre-selection kit, arranging an interview, etc.) are reminded that failure to meet the deadline date for these means students may no longer be eligible for selection into that course.

For a full list of cancelled, amended, and new courses, visit [VTAC Course Updates](#).

The VTAC website is www.vtac.edu.au



Studying the Bachelor of Design at Melbourne

What is design, and why is it important? Designers analyse the world as it is, so that we can come up with how it could be!

So, why study the [Bachelor of Design](#) at Melbourne? The students learn from ‘making and doing’; they learn a lot through real-life scenarios, they learn through experience, and they learn through connections between disciplines. So, students sit and learn alongside architects, landscape architects, engineers, etc. – very much like the real industry.

Design students have access to twelve majors, and must do at least one, although they can do two. Alternatively, students can opt to do one major and a specialisation – a short sequence of subjects focusing on a particular theme within design. Students also have

access to electives – non-compulsory subjects within the Design degree, and breadth subjects – subjects from outside of the Design degree.

Students in the Bachelor of Design get a very rich student-experience. From Work Integrated Learning, Internships, Volunteering, and Overseas Exchange opportunities. Students might also choose to get involved with the [Design Student Society](#) (DES). DES runs events open to all Bachelor of Design students, from a first-year O-Week camp to themed parties, free pizza lunches, boat cruises, trivia nights and many other smaller events. DES is organised by a committee of current students. Students have the chance to network with students from other year levels, get involved and receive academic and social support.

Another valuable opportunity is for students to participate in **Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS)**. These are *free* weekly sessions, led by a student who has successfully completed the subject in a previous year, and is a great way to maximise engagement with ones studies and enjoyment of those subjects. Interestingly, students who attend PASS are consistently shown to achieve better results than those who do not attend.



Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation

*The **Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation** may be the right study choice for students with the motivation, capability, and personal attributes to be a great teacher.*

The **Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation (Dip TEP)** is an accredited AQF5 level qualification aimed at students who do not initially meet the minimum ATAR for teaching. The course was developed as part of the [Victorian Government's Excellence in Teacher Education Reforms](#) to ensure that disadvantage and diverse educational experiences are not a barrier to capable and committed people who want to pursue a career in teaching.

Successful completion of the Dip TEP will ensure students graduate with the prerequisite knowledge and skills to undertake an undergraduate teacher education course. The Dip TEP supports students to meet the literacy and numeracy standards they will need in order to graduate with a teaching qualification and supports them to meet the demands of study at a higher education level. The course introduces them to contemporary issues in education and to teaching as a profession, including practical school-based placement.

The course is offered by various institutions including [ACU](#), [RMIT](#), [Swinburne](#), and [Vic Uni](#).



How to be Successful in my First Year of Uni or TAFE?

- I should attend orientation and transition activities – *that way I can find out about support and advisory services available to me!*

- I need to seek assistance to learn expectations of my lecturers – ***I will have to learn about tertiary essay writing, using sources, avoiding plagiarism, managing my time.***
- I must remember to ask for help – ***no-one will necessarily be offering any!***
- I will need to be an independent learner – ***my lecturers and tutors will not be reminding me about deadlines!***
- I will need to take charge of my own learning – ***no-one will be checking up on me to see if I am keeping up with work or assignments!***
- I will need to organise my time effectively – ***I must set reminders for where I need to be!***
- I must remember that my classes may be much larger than what I have been used to at school – ***I will receive less individual attention!***
- I will make new friends – ***building new friendship groups will help me cope and help me stay motivated!***
- I will be learning new skills that will be critical for my success – ***I will have to learn important research and referencing skills!***

Useful Tips for new tertiary students:



LOST ON CAMPUS: Download this useful app from iTunes and Google Play for a Campus Map of many universities. You will be able to find every tutorial room, lab, lecture theatre, coffee shop, carpark, bus stop, even your nearest vending machines and free microwaves on campus - [Lost on Campus maps — StudentVIP](#)



iUSEpass - travel concession for local tertiary students:
Students studying full-time on campus can save 50% on an annual myki with a valid student ID. Learn more at [Students - Transport Victoria](#).



Students who do best at university or TAFE are not necessarily those with the highest ATARs but those with **persistence and determination, organisational and self-management skills** that also make sure they **ask for help**. 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 engaged in **learning communities and networks** have a more positive experience.



Career in Digital Marketing

The [SEEK](#) website indicates that *Digital Marketers are responsible for the promotion of products or brands through one or more digital media channels, such as search engines, social media, email, websites and apps to connect with current and prospective customers.*

[Wikipedia](#) suggests that *Digital Marketing is the component of marketing that uses the Internet and online-based digital technologies such as desktop computers, mobile phones, and other digital media and platforms to promote products and services.*

Tasks and duties of Digital Marketers include:

- Developing marketing strategies.
- Managing content generation, ad campaigns, social media, emails, customer relationship management software, search engine optimisation.
- Tracking KPIs such as shares and impressions on social channels, conversions in search channels and open and click-through rates in emails.
- Analysing campaigns to identify what did and didn't work, and whether time and money can be better spent.

Students keen on finding out more can watch this useful YouTube clip - [Digital Marketing](#).



Master of Project Management

Gain a diverse and in-demand skillset for a rewarding project-management career in business, industry or the public sector, when you study the [Master of Project Management](#) at Victoria University.

This 2-year project-management course, endorsed by the [Australian Institute of Project Management \(AIPM\)](#), is designed for both current and aspiring project managers. It equips students with advanced project-management techniques that can be applied across various industries, including:

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| • construction | • information technology |
| • engineering | • private business |
| • health services | • public sector. |

The course includes the latest project management methods, trending across the various industries. The lecturers are experienced project managers, and the program is industry-run and led. Through strong [connections to industry](#) students are kept up to date on current project management requirements. Some of the latest global trends in project management are also taught, including being customer-focused and agile.



Project Management Courses in 2025 in Victoria

There are so many similar definitions or statements regarding what a project manager does, and one useful website* states that project managers *ensure the project is completed on time and within budget, that the project's objectives are met and that everyone else is doing their job properly. Project managers oversee the project to ensure the desired result is achieved, the most efficient resources are used, and the different interests involved are satisfied.*

The website goes on to mention the typical industries project managers work or are employed in –

- Construction companies
- Architects
- Software producers
- Commercial retailers
- Engineering firms
- Manufacturers
- Public sector organisations
- Aviation

*[Target Jobs UK - Project Management](#)

Another useful website to browse is [Good Careers Guide - Project and Program Administrator](#).

Several universities in Victoria offer courses, or majors/minors, focused on equipping students with a qualification or specialisation in project management, and some of these are listed below. For a comprehensive list of all courses available, visit [VTAC](#).

INSTITUTION	COURSE	VCE PREREQUISITES	ATAR 2025
Charles Sturt University AW – Albury Wodonga	Business	L/N but an ATAR is used for selection	L/N (AW)
Deakin University G – Geelong Waterfront M – Melbourne	Business Analytics	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL.	65.40 (M)
	Construction Management		60.10 (G)
Federation University Ba – Ballarat Be – Berwick Gi – Gippsland	Information Technology (Business Analysis)	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any English.	L/N
RMIT University C – City	Construction Management	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 27 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics.	70.05 (C)
	Information Technology	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 27 in English as an Additional Language (EAL); Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics.	70.30 (C)
	Information Technology Professional	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 27 in English as an Additional Language (EAL); Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics.	83.80 (C)
	Project Management	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 27 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics.	68.10 (C)
	Property Development, Investment and Valuation (Honours)	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 27 in English as an Additional Language (EAL); Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics.	68.75 (C)
Swinburne University H – Hawthorn	Aviation Management	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 30 in English (EAL).	65.85 (H)
	Business Analytics and Analysis	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 30 in English (EAL).	72.30 (H)
	Digital Construction Management	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 30 in English (EAL).	57.25 (H)

Note: Victoria University offers a [Master in Project Management](#) and the entry requirement is the completion of a Bachelor degree (or equivalent) in any discipline.



Snapshot of JMC Academy in 2025

Celebrating over 40 years in education, [JMC Academy](#) remains one of Australia's leading private Creative Industries institutions, offering Degrees and Diplomas in Music, Songwriting, Audio Engineering, Film and Television Production, Acting, Entertainment Business Management, Visual Communication (Design), Animation, Game Design and Music Production.

Some discipline courses are on offer include:

- **[ANIMATION](#)**
Developed in association with Pixar and Animal Logic, develop the skills to animate and bring characters and worlds to life with the latest 3D and MoCap tech.
- **[AUDIO ENGINEERING & SOUND PRODUCTION](#)**
Create, record, produce, edit, mix or master – craft the sound musicians strive for, and producers dream of marketing with audio and recording tech directly in sync with the industry.
- **[CONTEMPORARY MUSIC PERFORMANCE](#)**
Standing centre stage, crowd roaring, bass pumping, the lights come up... This course is about nailing your performance, mastering your talent, sound mixing your own work and being heard, loud and proud.
- **[DESIGN \(VISUAL COMMUNICATION\)](#)**
Powerful design inspires, engages, and connects people, channelling your vision into the hearts and minds of your audience. With the latest apps and tech in the digital realm, it has the capacity to change the world.
- **[ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS MANAGEMENT](#)**
Develop the business acumen and creative knowledge to plan, manage and whip an artist, festival, band, or event into lucrative commercial shape and carve out a career in entertainment.
- **[FILM & TELEVISION](#)**
Digital technology is creating unprecedented demand for information, and entertainment production is big business. Produce your own cutting-edge content with the latest media and 3D tech at JMC.
- **[GAME DESIGN](#)**
Design, develop and market your next gaming creation with the latest 3D and MoCap tech and build your own worlds with leading game engines and the power of your imagination.
- **[SONGWRITING](#)**
Bring your own music to life at JMC and launch yourself into the entertainment industry with knowledge of composing, editing, live sound, recording and tech such as ProTools and Sibelius.