**CAREER NEWS** **Friday 2 August**

** Dates to Diarise in Term 3**

* **University / TAFE Open Days 2024** – throughout August
* **Year 12 VTAC timely applications** – throughout August and September
* **VTAC SEAS and Scholarship applications** – throughout August and September

 **VTAC Year 12 Guides 2025**

The online [**VTAC Year 12 Guide**](https://vtac.edu.au/guides/y12guide)and the downloadable[VTAC Tertiary Research Guide](https://vtac.edu.au/files/pdf/publications/VTAC-Tertiary-Research-Guide-2024.pdf) are designed to provide students with useful information regarding *course research and the application processes* for entry to tertiary study in Victoria in 2025. Year 12 students are encouraged to browse both resources and begin to familiarise themselves with what lies ahead over the coming months.

A group of people wearing clothing

Description automatically generated with medium confidence **What is VET in the VCE?**

VET stands for *Vocational Education and Training,* and vocation refers to work or employment. ***VET in the VCE*** programs are designed to give students an exposure to practical skills and an understanding of what it is like to ‘learn through doing’. So, students can opt to do a VET subject while completing their VCE and, in most cases, the VET qualification contributes towards the VCE and the ATAR. **Visit** [**Get VET in the VCE**](https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/studentguides/getvet/Pages/Index.aspx)**.**

 **What is Visual Merchandising?**

The [Good Careers Guide](https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/careers-guide/visual-merchandiser) states that a Visual Merchandiser *develops floor plans and three-dimensional displays of goods and services in order to maximise sales and profit. These include window displays, interior point-of-sale displays and special promotions.*

RMIT offers a range of visual merchandising courses and students keen on finding out more are encouraged to browse [**RMIT Visual Merchandising**](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/fashion/merchandising) to find out more.

 **News from Monash University**

* **Monash Information Evening Webinar**

Students who may have missed out on the recent Open Day events, or earlier events during the year, may wish to register to participate in a webinar where they will learn about –

* Monash’ ten diverse discipline areas
* undergraduate course types, such as our comprehensive and specialist courses, double degrees and pathway programs
* international opportunities including study abroad and overseas tours
* how to apply – everything you need to know about VTAC, key dates and deadlines
* scholarships and fees
* SEAS and the Monash Guarantee
* accommodation options, both on and off-campus.

**Date:** Wednesday 21 August 2024

**Time:** 6.30pm – 8.00pm

[**Book here**](https://www.monash.edu/discover/events/general-information/monash-information-evening-webinar) **to participate.**

* ***New* Bachelor of Learning Design and Technology**

In 2025, Monash will be offering the ***Bachelor of Learning Design and Technology***. *Learning design and technology is where learning meets innovation, where creativity transforms education, and where you become the architect of learning experiences.*    
  
This course has been designed with industry leaders to ensure graduates are at the forefront of learning design with highly transferable skills, including project management, leadership, critical thinking and data-driven decision-making. In this course, students will learn how to create experiences that are not just within the classroom, but for everyday learning. They will get to combine their love of creativity, technology and psychology to explore how we best navigate new challenges and technologies, from robotics and simulations to corporate training and development.

Significantly, this course will require students to undertake off-campus industry experience. An application and interview will be part of the process to ensure a meaningful placement experience.

**Find out more at** [**Bachelor of Learning Design and Technology**](https://www.monash.edu/education/learning-design-and-technology)**.**

 **News from RMIT**

* ***New* EAL Study Score Requirements for 2025**

RMIT is introducing *new* ***EAL Study Score requirements*** for Australian Year 12 qualifications from 2025.

* Bachelor’s Degrees require a **27 in EAL**
* Associate Degrees and the Diploma of Commerce require a **23 in EAL**
* **Early Offer Program**

*Are you a leader in the community, good at problem-solving, a creative thinker or perhaps good at communicating? With an RMIT Early Offer your skills can count towards your dream course, allowing you to be accepted on a lower ATAR and receive a conditional offer before your final exams.*

Australian and Permanent Resident students can apply for one course and must apply at the following RMIT link - [**Early Offer Program**](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/applying-to-rmit/local-student-applications/access-rmit/early-offer).  The eligible courses and expected ATAR are also found at this link.

The application process requires students to -

1. Choose one of the following categories:

* Analytical and Critical Thinking
* Leadership
* Communication
* Creative Thinking and Innovation

1. Write a 200-word statement of their experience for their chosen category
2. Supply supporting documentation verifying their involvement in the category they have written about.

Applications have opened and close on 15 September 2024. The outcome of the application will be released 26 September 2024. The conditional offer will become unconditional should students complete Year 12, meet the course prerequisites, and attain the Early Offer ATAR required.  **Visit** [**Early Offer Program**](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/applying-to-rmit/local-student-applications/access-rmit/early-offer)**.**

* **Studying Professional Communication at RMIT**

*Designed to equip you with in-depth knowledge of this essential field, the Bachelor of Professional Communication reflects the workplace reality of increasing demand for professional communication roles and functions.*

With the 3-year Bachelor of Professional Communication, students can choose either a double major, or choose to specialise in one and choose three minors RMITs broad range of multidisciplinary areas. Students also get to participate in relevant projects and professional placements that integrate their theoretical learning with practical application. This course also involves interacting with industry, government, and community organisations that RMIT have existing relationships with, or students can even complete an approved placement of their own choosing.

Majors include:

* [Advertising](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/undergraduate-study/bachelor-degrees/bachelor-of-professional-communication-bp354/advertising-major) – RMIT is ranked #1 in Australia and #5 in the world\* in the 2023 QS rankings by subject
* [Public Relations](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/undergraduate-study/bachelor-degrees/bp354/public-relations-major)  – the first PR degree in Australia, or
* [Digital Communication](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/undergraduate-study/bachelor-degrees/bp354/digital-communication-major) – informed by RMIT’s world-leading research and our industry partners.

**Find out more about the minors on offer, as well as more details about this course at** [**Bachelor of Professional Communication**](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/undergraduate-study/bachelor-degrees/bachelor-of-professional-communication-bp354)**.**

 **Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science**

From 2025, the 3-year [Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science](https://study.federation.edu.au/course/DPX5#msdynttrid=1d0lRF7Li6VrGcthwJd7FO7QQJ3-n0S7GifSbnaKmm4) will be offered at Fed Uni’s Berwick Campus! The Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science program is [ESSA](https://www.essa.org.au/) accredited and enables students to develop knowledge and practical skills with core studies in biomechanics, anatomy, physiology and health, whilst pursuing an interest in either applied exercise programming, health or teaching.   
  
Students will gain valuable work experience within a range of exercise science industries both locally and state-wide.   
  
Students who wish to wish to progress to further study, the Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science is a pathway to coursework masters degrees including a [Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology](https://study.federation.edu.au/course/DPJ9), [Master of Strength and Conditioning](https://study.federation.edu.au/course/DPW9) and [Master of Teaching (Secondary)](https://study.federation.edu.au/course/DTZ9).

** *New* Pathway Offerings to Deakin University**

Deakin College offers a suite of diploma courses that students can use as pathways to Deakin University bachelor degrees. Recently Deakin College introduced two *new* pathway diplomas:

1. [Diploma of Communication](https://www.deakincollege.edu.au/courses/diploma/communication) can be used as a pathway to Deakin University’s [Bachelor of Criminology](https://www.deakin.edu.au/course/bachelor-criminology) with credit.
2. [Diploma of Information Technology](https://www.deakincollege.edu.au/courses/diploma/information-technology) can be used as a pathway to Deakin University’s [Bachelor of Data Science](https://www.deakin.edu.au/course/bachelor-data-science) and [Bachelor of Software Engineering (Honours)](https://www.deakin.edu.au/course/bachelor-software-engineering-honours), also both with credit.

**Students keen on learning more about all the pathway diplomas Deakin College offers, should browse** [**Deakin College**](https://www.deakincollege.edu.au/)**.**

A group of people on inflatables in a lake

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**Banking and Finance Degrees in Victoria in 2024**A number of universities in Victoria offer specific Banking and Finance, Accounting and Finance, or similarly named degrees. Also, ***finance as a major****,* is often offered in business and commerce degrees, and a number of these are included below. **For a comprehensive list of all courses, visit** [**VTAC**](http://www.vtac.edu.au/).

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| **INSTITUTION** | **COURSE NAME** | **VCE PREREQs** | **MAJOR STUDIES IN 2024** |
| **ACU** M - Melbourne | Accounting and Finance **ATAR: 63.55 (M)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL. | Accounting Theory, Auditing, Company Law, Corporate Accounting, Economics, Financial Accounting, **Financial Risk Management, Principles of Finance**, Taxation Law. |
| **DEAKIN** M – Melbourne G – Geelong WF | Commerce **ATAR:  80.00 (M)**  **70.80 (G)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL. | Accounting, Business analytics, Economics, Emerging technology, Entrepreneurship, Event management, ***Finance, Financial planning***, Global and social impact, Human resource management, International business, International trade, Management, Management information systems, Marketing, People management, Production management, Project management, Property investments, Recruitment and talent acquisition, Retail management, Social entrepreneurship, Wealth management. |
| **FEDERATION** B – Berwick | Business **ATAR: 50.75 (B)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any English. | ***Banking and Finance***, Cognitive Enterprise, Management, Marketing. |
| **LA TROBE** M – Melbourne | Business **ATAR: 55.05 (M)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL. | **Finance. Note:** A finance major is also offered in the [commerce](https://www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-commerce#/overview?location=BU&studentType=dom&year=2024) degree with an ATAR of 80.25 and the same VCE prerequisites. |
| **MONASH**  Ca – Caulfield  Cl - Clayton | Banking and Finance  **ATAR: 76.65 (Ca)** | 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 22 in one of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics or at least 25 in Maths: General Mathematics. | Banking and Finance. |
| Finance  **ATAR: 86.05 (Cl)** | 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 25 in one of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics. | Finance. |
| **RMIT** C – City  **\***Prof. Prac. degree | Business  **ATAR: 67.05 (C) ATAR: 80.00\* (C)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL. | Blockchain Enabled Business, Business Information Systems, Business and Technology, Economics, Entrepreneurship, ***Finance, Financial Planning***, Global Business, Innovation and Enterprise, Logistics and Supply Chain, Management and Change, Marketing, People and Organisation, Social Impact. |
| **SWINBURNE** H – Hawthorn  **\***Professional degree | Business **ATAR: 55.30 (H) ATAR: 75.15\* (H)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL. | Accounting, ***Accounting and finance***, Accounting and financial planning, Business administration, Business analytics and analysis, Entrepreneurship and innovation, ***Finance, Financial planning***, Human resource management, Logistics and supply chain management, Management, Marketing, Sports management. |
| **UNI MELB** P - Parkville | Commerce **ATAR: 92.00 (P)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics. | Accounting, Actuarial studies, Economics, ***Finance***, Management, Marketing. |
| **VICTORIA**  C – City | Business **ATAR: n/p (C)** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL. | Accounting, Analytics, ***Banking and Finance***, Business Analytics, Event Management, ***Financial Risk Management***, Human Resource Management, Information Systems Management, International Trade, Management and Innovation, Marketing, Supply Chain and Logistics, Tourism and Hospitality Management. |

 **Snapshot of James Cook University (JCU) in 2024**

* JCU is the second-oldest university in Queensland and is dedicated to research in areas such as marine sciences, biodiversity, tropical ecology and environments, global warming, tourism, and tropical medicine.
* JCU is also a leading university in the tropics and ranked in the top 400 universities in the world - [Times Higher Education World Rankings](https://www.timeshighereducation.com/world-university-rankings/2024/world-ranking). Browse here for other [rankings](https://www.jcu.edu.au/reputation-and-experience).
* JCU has a number of [campuses](https://www.jcu.edu.au/about-jcu/campuses) with the main campuses being in [Townsville](https://www.jcu.edu.au/about-jcu/campuses/townsville) and [Cairns](https://www.jcu.edu.au/about-jcu/campuses/cairns), and there is an international campus in [Singapore](https://www.jcu.edu.au/about-jcu/campuses/singapore).
* Some of the most highly sought after [courses](https://www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study) offered at JCU include:  
   [Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery](https://www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study/courses/bachelor-of-medicine,-bachelor-of-surgery)

[Bachelor of Dental Surgery](https://www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study/courses/bachelor-of-dental-surgery)   
 [Bachelor of Physiotherapy](https://www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study/courses/bachelor-of-physiotherapy)   
 [Bachelor of Veterinary Science](https://www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study/courses/bachelor-of-veterinary-science)   
 [Bachelor of Marine Science](https://www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study/courses/bachelor-of-marine-science)

* JCU has six colleges and one centre
* [College of Arts, Society and Education](https://www.jcu.edu.au/college-of-arts-society-and-education)
* [College of Business, Law and Governance](https://www.jcu.edu.au/college-of-business-law-and-governance)
* [College of Healthcare Sciences](https://www.jcu.edu.au/college-of-healthcare-sciences)
* [College of Medicine and Dentistry](https://www.jcu.edu.au/college-of-medicine-and-dentistry)
* [College of Public Health, Medical and Veterinary Sciences](https://www.jcu.edu.au/college-of-public-health-medical-and-veterinary-sciences)
* [College of Science and Engineering](https://www.jcu.edu.au/college-of-science-and-engineering)
* [Indigenous Education and Research Centre](https://www.jcu.edu.au/ierc)
* JCU offers a broad range of student exchange programs - [JCU Global Experience](https://www.jcu.edu.au/global-experience).
* **Fast Facts for Health or Veterinary Science Applicants**

JCU has a few programs where a combination of a [written application](https://www.jcu.edu.au/division-of-tropical-health-and-medicine/application-forms) and academic results is required for selection including ***dental surgery, medicine, and veterinary science***. Students applying for one or more of these courses should take note of the recommendations made at the above link.

