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Welcome to the first edition of the Careers Newsletter. I look forward to another great year of supporting the students in their journey of career development and exploration and assisting them in making important decisions regarding post-secondary options. I am available all week and am more than happy to assist students and parents. I can be contacted via email on helen.madden@pvcc.vic.edu.au to make an appointment.

Don't forget also to check out our PVCC Careers website for important information for students and parents. You can find our site at: <https://careers.pvcc.vic.edu.au>

Items in the *Career News* include –

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Dates to Diarise in Term 1

- Year 10 Work Experience – Placements to be finalised by the end of Term 1.



What the Career Centre can assist you with?

Apprenticeship Information	Résumé Writing Skills
Vocational and alternative Pathways	SATs
Career Expos	Scholarship Opportunities
Careers Testing - Morrisby Profile	Subject Selection Counselling
GAP Year Opportunities	TAFE Courses & Programs
Individual Interviews	Tertiary Application Process - Interstate
Work Studies and Career education	University Courses & Programs
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Applying for a Tax File Number (TFN)

Any student will need a tax file number if he/she starts work (part-time and full-time) and all students planning on a tertiary education require one when they start.

Importantly, current Year 12 students are reminded that they cannot enrol in a CSP (Commonwealth Support Place) course at university without a Tax File Number, so it is worthwhile getting an application submitted early!

Students must apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post office.

To apply and also to find out about participating Post Offices, visit [TFN Application](#).



News from the University of Melbourne

➤ **New Major in the Bachelor of Commerce**

Commencing in 2025 a *new* major [Business Analytics](#) has been approved for the Bachelor of Commerce and will be available as a standalone and concurrent major.

Business analytics is the practice of using data, statistical analysis, and quantitative methods to gain insights into business performance and drive decision-making. It involves examining historical data, predicting future trends, and providing actionable recommendations to improve business outcomes.

Find out more about this and other majors on offer at [Bachelor of Commerce - The University of Melbourne](#).

➤ **Where can a Bachelor of Biomedicine Take Me?**

Biomedicine is an excellent foundation course for students keen to become experts in various fields of biomedicine.

The Bachelor of Biomedicine prepares students for a range of health-related postgraduate programs, specialised graduate research, and a career contributing to the advancement of human health. Students often use Biomedicine as an undergraduate qualification into graduate study leading to professional careers in *medicine, research, health sciences*, and even *engineering*.

For more information, browse [UniMelb: Where can a Bachelor of Biomedicine Take Me?](#)

➤ **On-demand Video Library**

Explore our suite of videos covering everything from our unique curriculum, course information and career pathways, to scholarships and accommodation.

Students are invited to browse the extensive video library and, either simply watch the most popular videos, or filter by an area of interest.

Browse [UniMelb on Demand – Video Library](#).



What is a Freelance Journalist?

A freelance journalist is a writer who is self-employed. They complete contract work, single pieces or regular assignments for newspapers, magazines, companies, and other organizations.

They often sell their services or work by the piece, by the hour or by the day—sometimes freelance journalists even sell their work by the word. In other words, a freelance journalist is not committed to one employer long-term and works independently.



Torrens University Open Day – Melbourne

Everyone is welcome to drop in at our Flinders St Campus anytime to attend one of our information sessions or take a tour.

The [Open Day](#) will take place from 10:30am – 1:00pm, and will be a good opportunity for students to attend an information session, or take a tour.



Australian Defence Force (ADF) Careers

The ADF offers over 300 roles across 10 different categories. These consist of a wide range of specialist military positions, support roles, traditional and technical trades and professions that range from medicine to engineering. Many of these jobs will suit students from diverse backgrounds and those who are not thought of as likely candidates for the ADF. These jobs are focused on the future, aimed at those who are looking to make the most of their *Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths* skills.

Students are encouraged to browse [Careers by Category](#) and find out more about a career in the ADF.



Career as an Anthropologist

According to the Good Universities Career Guide, [anthropologists](#) *study the origin, development and functioning of human societies and cultures, as they exist now or have existed throughout history. Anthropologists are concerned with the complexities of social and cultural life, including religion, rituals, family and kinship systems, languages, art, music, symbolism, and economic and political systems.*

Successful anthropologists –

- Have the capacity for detailed observation and accurate practical work
- Can work independently
- Have enthusiasm for research
- Good oral and written communication skills
- Sensitive to other people and cultures.

To become an anthropologist, students usually have to complete a degree in *science, arts, social science or international studies* at university with a major in anthropology (preferably at honours level), followed by a postgraduate qualification in anthropology.

Browse [Seek - Anthropologist](#) regarding the job prospects, and salaries for anthropologists.



Courses offered by AIM – Melbourne Campus in 2025

The Australian Institute of Music (AIM) is a private music school totally dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in music – be it composition, performance, or even management.

AIM has campuses in Sydney and Melbourne, and courses offered in Melbourne include:

[Bachelor of Arts and Entertainment Management](#) – a 3-year course for anyone wanting to master the essentials of the music business – from marketing and artist management to music

business economics and law.

[Bachelor of Music \(Composition\)](#) – a 3-year course training students to become a composer with originality, heightened musical ability, and technical mastery. As digital media expands, so does the demand for talented composers in film, television, video games, and music.

[Bachelor of Music \(Performance\)](#) – a 3-year course whereby students get to refine their musicianship, develop their collaboration skills, and help them stand out as a performer. With both a contemporary and classical pathway, graduates will emerge with the skills and confidence to perform on stage and in the studio.

[Bachelor of Music Theatre](#) – a 3-year course preparing students to land leading roles, play in ensembles, and generate original theatre works as they steadily build their professional performance skills. They will build the skills to command the stage with confidence, building the ‘triple skill set’ – singing, dancing and acting.

Find out more about AIM and all its course offerings by browsing [Australian Institute of Music \(AIM\)](#)





Young Women in Aerospace & Defence:

FREE STEM PROGRAM

**JOIN US OVER THE SCHOOL
HOLIDAYS!**



- **Engage in Hands-On Activities:** Take part in either drone construction, app design, glider building, or bot programming, ending with a thrilling race!
- **Meet STEM Professionals:** Q&A sessions and tours of industry-leading aerospace and defence companies.

How to Apply:

1. Submit a **2-MIN VIDEO** telling us why you should be chosen.
2. Upload your video to YouTube or Vimeo as an **UNLISTED** video.
3. Send us your link to:

wackettSTEMprogram@rmit.edu.au

**APPLICATIONS
CLOSE**

25 FEB 2025



Calling all students in Years 8–12 who are curious about STEM!

Ever wondered how to launch an out-of-this-world career? Celebrate the International Day of Women and Girls in Science with us and take part in an inspiring free online Q&A featuring incredible women from our space industry!

Don't miss this chance to be inspired and explore endless possibilities!

Date: Tuesday 11 February 2025

Time: 4:00pm – 5:00pm AEST (3:30pm – 4:30pm ACDT)

Register [here](#) to participate.

**Australian Space
Discovery Centre**

LIVE Q&A

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