# Careers Corner Weekly

# **Events 6th November to 19th November**



# Monday 06 November 2023

Defence Careers Australia - Perth: Defence Careers Information Session

Are you interested to learn about the wide range of roles available in the Navy, Army and Air Force?

Join us at an upcoming info session and speak with current serving members about their own experiences. You'll have the chance to ask any questions you have about Australian Defence Force careers and opportunities.

Time: 06:00 PM - 07:30 PM

Location: Perth ADF Careers Centre Click here for Details and Registration

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## Wednesday 08 November 2023

Tabor College - Discover Tabor College - Book a Dean's Tour

Join Us for a Campus Tour and Meet-and-Greet with Faculty

We have two upcoming Dean's Tours where you can attend talks from various Deans and Tabor's CEO. These events will provide valuable insights into the academic programs and opportunities available at Tabor. After the one-hour campus tour, you'll have a chance to enjoy light refreshments and engage in discussions and questions about your future at Tabor.

Time: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Location: Tabor College Adelaide (Meet at Reception):

181 Goodwood Road Millswood SA 5034 <u>Click here for Details and Registration</u>

## Thursday 09 November 2023

Defence Careers Australia - Gap Year Virtual Information Session

Spend an exciting 12 months in the Navy, Army or Air Force, where you'll get paid for meaningful work while travelling Australia, gaining skills for life and making lifelong friends.

Join us for a virtual info session to speak with current serving personnel about the Australian Defence Force Gap Year.

Time:

05:30 PM - 07:30 PM (ACDT) 04:30 PM - 06:30 PM (ACST) 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM (AEDT) 05:00 PM - 07:00 PM (AEST) 03:00 PM - 05:00 PM (AWST)

Location: Online

Click here for Details and Registration

# Monday 13 November 2023

Defence Careers Australia - Perth: Aviation Careers Information Session

Consider an Aviation career in the Navy, Army or Air Force and join the team that keeps strike aircraft, military helicopters, heavy transporter aircraft and surveillance aircraft at peak operational capability.

Join us for an info session and speak to current serving members about the various aviation roles on offer and how you can apply.

Time: 06:00 PM - 07:30 PM

Location: Perth ADF Careers Centre Click here for Details and Registration





## Tuesday 14 November 2023

World Education Program - Online Info Sessions

WEP info sessions are free and provide students and parents the opportunity to meet some of our WEP staff, hear all about student exchange opportunities and ask us any questions!

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM AEST

Location: Online

Click here for Details and Registration



## Tuesday 14 November 2023

# Edith Cowan University - South West Information Evening

If you want to study at ECU South West, attend our Information Session to find out more.

ECU South West is Western Australia's largest university campus outside the metropolitan area. The campus features a wide range of contemporary facilities to enhance student and staff experiences. These include state-of-the-art teaching facilities and commercial outlets providing key services; most services on-campus are also open to the wider community.

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: Building 6 Room 103, ECU Bunbury Campus, 585 Robertson Drive, East Bunbury WA 6230 Click here for Details and Registration



# Wednesday 15 November 2023

Edith Cowan University - Future Student Information Expo

Our Information Expo will introduce you to our wide range of courses and the excellent support services you can expect as a student. We'll cover course admission pathways, how to apply, fees and scholarships and flexible study options like online or part-time. Bring family or friends and explore the campus and our great facilities.

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Location: Building 32, ECU Joondalup Campus, 270 Joondalup Drive, Joondalup WA 6027 Click here for Details and Registration





<u>Youth Allowance</u> offers financial help for students, apprentices and trainees, and those looking for work.

#### Youth Allowance has you covered if you're:

- 16 to 17 and independent or needing to live away from home to study.
- 16 to 17, studying full time and have completed Year 12.
- 16 to 21 and looking for full time work.
- 16 to 24 and doing a full time Australian Apprenticeship or Traineeship.
- 18 to 24 and studying full time.

#### Am I eligible?

You must meet Australian residence rules, satisfy an income and assets test, and be studying an approved course. While that might sound complicated, this quick video simplifies it and will help you determine if you're eligible.



# <u>ABSTUDY</u> is a group of payments for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander students or apprentices.

Depending on your circumstances, ABSTUDY can help with:

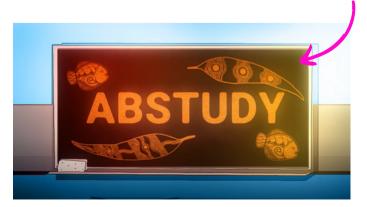
- school fees.
- boarding fees.
- living costs.
- travel costs.
- buying school materials.

#### Am I eligible?

You may be eligible if you're a part-time or fulltime student:

- in high school.
- at university, TAFE, or other higher education.
- an apprentice.
- a student or apprentice in custody.

This video will give you an introduction to ABSTUDY.







#### **Tertiary Access Payment**

The Tertiary Access Payment is for students from regional and remote areas to help with the cost of moving for study after Year 12.

#### Am I eligible?

You can be studying at a university, vocational education and training provider or another higher education provider. You need to meet study rules as and the following criteria:

- you're an Australian resident meeting residence rules.
- your family home is in an inner regional, outer regional, remote or very remote area.
- you're moving to study at a tertiary education provider that's at least 90 minutes away from your family home by public transport.

#### **Study rules**

You need to start studying in the 12 months immediately after completing Year 12 and be studying:

- a certificate IV or above.
- a course with a minimum duration of one
- academic year.
- at least 75% of a full-time study load.
- studying a face-to-face or combination online/face-to-face course, or at a Regional University Centre (RUC).

# How much you can get depends where you're from:

- If you're from an **inner regional area**, you'll get \$3,000 in one instalment shortly after you start your course.
- If you're from an **outer regional or remote area**, you'll get \$5,000 paid in 2 instalments. We pay \$3,000 shortly after you start your course, and \$2,000 in your next semester.
- You can only get the payment once, even if you change your study.

#### When can I apply?

Apply from 1 January of the year you start tertiary study. You must claim by 31 December in your first year of study. It's a separate claim from Youth Allowance or ABSTUDY.

This video gives you further information.





#### Get prepared for more independence

- 1. You'll first need a Tax File Number which you can <u>apply for online</u>.
- 2. Once you've got your TFN, set up your myGov account at <u>my.gov.au</u> for access to a range of services like requesting your own Medicare card and applying for student payments.



#### Am I eligible and how much can I get?

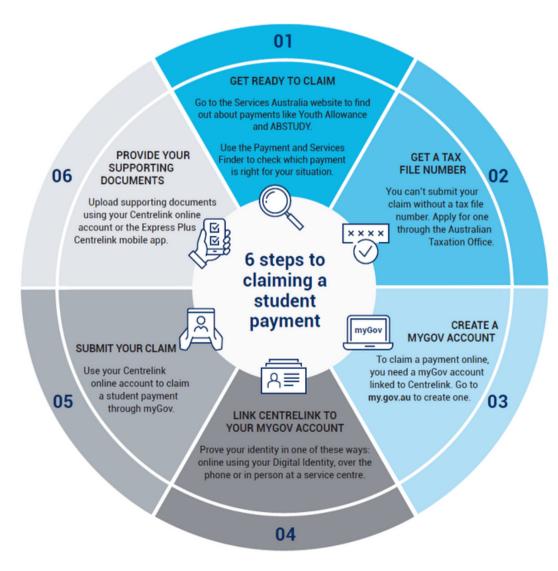
Your age, your parents' income, where you live and if you pay rent, how much you earn, and if you have a partner or children all affect your eligibility for payments and how much you can get. Use the <u>Payment and Service Finder</u> to check what you might be eligible for.

#### Am I 'dependent' or 'independent'?

Most students are considered 'dependent' until age 22 which means your parents' income may impact your payment.

#### **Apply early!**

Applying next year could slow down your payment. You can claim up to 13 weeks before your course starts, so get in early!





#### What is **Medicare**?

Medicare gives us access to a range of medical services and prescriptions at a lower cost and free care as a patient in a public hospital.

#### When do I need it?

You need your Medicare card when you see a doctor so you can be bulk-billed (you don't pay anything), or if the doctor doesn't bulk-bill, the government will refund you some of the cost.

#### Do I already have Medicare?





#### What is a Health Care Card?

It's a type of concession card to get cheaper medicines and some discounts if you get a payment from Centrelink.

#### What are the benefits?

Possible benefits include bulk billing for doctor's appointments, more refunds for medical expenses, discounted mail redirection through Australia Post.

State and territory governments and local councils may also offer concessions for costs such as energy and electricity bills, ambulance, dental and eye care, and public transport.

# Am I eligible?

You don't need to apply! You'll be sent one automatically if you get Youth Allowance, ABSTUDY Living Allowance, or qualify for a range of other circumstances.

# **Student Profiles**

Understanding the eligibility criteria and applying for Centrelink payments can be complicated and confusing! Services Australia has created 7 student profiles to help you quickly and easily see if you match common situations:

- Josh: partner income
- Andy: apprentice living at home
- Amy: relocating to study
- Sally: working gap year
- Liz: mature-aged student
- Jack: Indigenous Australian living at home
- David: student in a share house







All competitions and challenges are free/have low entry fees and are open to students nationwide unless otherwise stated.

Competition	Open To	Closing Date
First Pitch for Kids 2023  Australia's largest national youth entrepreneurship competition. Submit a 3 min pitch video.	Everyone up to the age of 18	10 November 2023
Storyfest National Poetry Prize Entries must be original, no more than 50 lines (excluding the title) and on any subject.	Secondary students under 19	1 December 2023
Storyfest National Novella Writing Competition For serious student writers with fantastic prizes on offer!	All high school students	1 December 2023
<u>Little Stories Big Ideas</u> In 100 words or less (not including title), write your story incorporating the theme 'Magic'!	Year 7 - 12 students	22 December 2023
Junior Water Prize 2023  Create solutions for current and future water challenges.	15 - 20 year olds	1 March 2024