

### For December 2021

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### Welcome

The end of the school year is fast approaching. Year 12s, 11s and 10's have completed their exams and are looking forward to holidays.

## Yr 12 News

Please remember to look at Compass Newsfeed as we will continue to share information from the Universities and TAFEs about upcoming events or course information. It is wonderful for the Year 12's to have their exams completed. ATARS will be released on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 and Change of Preference, whereby students are able to change around the order of their Course preferences through VTAC is open until Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2021.

### Yr 11 and 10 News

Year 10 and 11 students should continue to look at Compass Newsfeeds as we will share information from the Universities and TAFEs about upgoing events or course information. It is wonderful that Years 10 and 11 have completed their exams.

# Open Days & Info Sessions

## **RMIT | Parents guide to Change of Preference**

Thursday 16 December 2021, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Online

Find out more: https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/2021/december/parents-guide-to-cop



### La Trobe | Pathways Webinars

**Law:** Thursday 16 December 2021, 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm & Friday 17 December 2021, 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm

Engineering, IT and Computer Science: Thursday 16 December 2021, 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm & Friday 17 December 2021, 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm

**Dental Science and Biomedical Science:** Thursday 16 December 2021, 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm & Friday 17 December 2021, 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm

Online

If you missed the ATAR requirement, missed a prerequisite, completed an unscored VCE or even VCAL, tune into our pathways session to find out how you can get into your dream course. Find out more: <a href="https://www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/pathways-to-law">https://www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/pathways-to-law</a>

### RMIT | Received your ATAR? Make what's next count

Thursday 16 December 2021, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Online

Learn everything you need to know about the Change of Preference process from receiving your ATAR to re-ordering preferences!

Find out more: <a href="https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/2021/december/received-your-atar-make-whats-next-count">https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/2021/december/received-your-atar-make-whats-next-count</a>

## **RMIT | Change of Preference Expo**

Friday 17 December 2021, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm RMIT University, Melbourne City Campus Find out more at the event.

Find out more: <a href="https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/2021/december/change-of-preference-expo">https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/2021/december/change-of-preference-expo</a>

## Monash | Change Day Expo

Friday 17 December 2021, 2:00 pm - Monday 20 December 2021, 12:00 pm Online

Once you receive your results, you may have a lot of questions, so come along to our online Change Day Expo and talk to our course advisers one-on-one.

Find out more: https://www.monash.edu/change-of-preference/change-day-expo





## **PSC | Bachelor of Photography Information Evening**

Wednesday 8 December 2021, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Photography Studies College, South Melbourne

Find out more: <a href="https://explore.psc.edu.au/en-au/bachelor-of-photography-information-">https://explore.psc.edu.au/en-au/bachelor-of-photography-information-</a>

evening

## **University of Melbourne | Experience Melbourne Online**

Monday 13 December 2021, 1:00 pm - Wednesday 15 December 2021, 6:45 pm Online

The University of Melbourne are hosting live information sessions, designed to assist you with everything you need to know ahead of starting study at Melbourne and transitioning to university, and what to expect from the Melbourne experience.

Find out more: https://study.unimelb.edu.au/change-of-preference/events

## **Monash | Engineering Campus Tours**

Tuesday 14 December 2021, 10:30 am - Friday 17 December 2021, 11:30 am Monash University, Clayton Campus

Want to know what it's like to be a Monash Engineering student? Come to our Clayton campus and we will show you through some of our fantastic <u>engineering facilities</u> and student spaces! Find out more: <a href="https://www.monash.edu/y12hub/events-calendar/articles/engineering-campus-tours">https://www.monash.edu/y12hub/events-calendar/articles/engineering-campus-tours</a>

## **AIE | Information Evening**

Tuesday 14 December 2021, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE), Melbourne

Find out more: <a href="https://aie.edu.au/aie event/information-evening/">https://aie.edu.au/aie event/information-evening/</a>

## **AIE | Film Careers Night**

Tuesday 14 December 2021, 6:00 pm

Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE), Melbourne

Find out more: https://aie.edu.au/aie event/film-careers-night/





## **University of Melbourne | Explore Melbourne Tours**

Wednesday 15 December 2021, 9:00 am - Saturday 18 December 2021, 4:00 pm University of Melbourne, Parkville, Southbank and Dookie campuses

Find out more: <a href="https://study.unimelb.edu.au/change-of-preference/explore-melbourne-tours">https://study.unimelb.edu.au/change-of-preference/explore-melbourne-tours</a>

### **Monash | Science Precinct Tours**

Friday 17 December 2021, 9:30 am - Monday 20 December 2021, 2:00 pm

Monash University, Clayton Campus

Find out more: https://www.monash.edu/y12hub/events-calendar/articles/monash-science-

precinct-tours2

#### **AIT #GRADTALKS**

Wednesday 12 January 2022, 12:00 pm - Thursday 13 January 2022, 1:00 pm Australia

Find out more: https://info.ait.edu.au/grad talks registration

## SAE | Open House

Melbourne: Wednesday 19 January 2022, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Online: Wednesday 19 January 2022, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Book for Melbourne: https://sae.edu.au/event/sae-melbourne-open-house/

Book for Virtual: https://sae.edu.au/event/virtual-open-house/

# Scholarships

### **Capstone Editing Textbook Grant for Undergraduates**

Value: \$3,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: March 4, 2021 – January 6, 2022

The Capstone Editing Textbook Grant provides funds to one undergraduate student to assist in

covering the cost of their textbooks for the duration of their degree.

Find out more





## **RMIT Spatial Vision Women in Geospatial Scholarship**

Value: \$4,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: November 1, 2021 – January 23, 2022 For women enrolled in their first year of Geospatial Sciences.

Find out more

### Fed Uni 2022 FedSTEM Women Scholarships

Value: \$4,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: September 30, 2021 – January 18, 2022

Awarded to women commencing an undergraduate Science, Technology, Engineering and

Mathematics (STEM) program with the highest ATAR score above 80.00.

Find out more

## **Deakin Allison Murphy Memorial Scholarship**

Value: \$10,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: September 6, 2021 – January 24, 2022

This scholarship is offered in the memory of Allison Murphy. This scholarship is provided to give women from the Geelong region the opportunity to follow in the career footsteps of Allison Murphy.

Find out more

## **Bendigo Bank Indigenous Scholarship Program**

Value: \$5,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: December 1, 2021 – February 18, 2022

The scholarship program aims to financially support students who identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person and have been offered a full-time place at an Australian TAFE or university for the first time in 2022.

Find out more

## **Charles Sturt Walter and Eliza Hall Trust Opportunity Disability Scholarship**

Value: \$10,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: November 1, 2021 – February 2, 2022

The Walter and Eliza Hall Trust have, in line with the wishes of the Late Judy Lennox, established a disability program to assist students living with a physical disability.

Find out more



### **Swinburne NICA's Excellence Scholarship**

Value: Full tuition fee waiver

Open/Closing Dates: November 1, 2021 – February 1, 2022

This scholarship is open to a prospective 1st year student in the Bachelor of Circus Arts who demonstrates excellence in their audition process but cannot enrol due to financial hardship. This scholarship will cover the school fees.

Find out more

## La Trobe Regional Benefits Program

Value: Up to \$5,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: November 9, 2021 – March 6, 2022

La Trobe's Regional Benefits Program empowers high achieving students from regional communities to live, study and thrive in regional Victoria. This program is available to students commencing their undergraduate studies from 2022 onwards who have applied via the 2021-2022 VTAC/UAC (or state Tertiary Admissions Centre) intake.

Find out more

# Job Spotlight

### **How to become a Drone Operator**

Conquer the skies with your feet on the ground

#### What do Drone Operators do?

Drone Operators are people who are qualified and skilled at operating remote controlled drones. They can work in a huge variety of industries, including aviation and transport, the defence force, STEM, arts and recreation, agriculture, and more. Tasks can vary from taking aerial photographs, planting seeds remotely, surveying landscapes, moving equipment, and so much more.

If you want a challenging and varied career, have a passion for aviation and technology, and are keen and innovative, this could be the perfect career for you.



### About you:

- Skilled with your hands
- Technologically literate
- Excellent problem solver
- Good communicator
- Innovative and curious
- Adaptable and creative
- Can work well in teams and independently
- Aware of aviation regulations

### The job:

- Remotely operating drones in line with safety regulations
- Taking images and video while in the air
- Downloading data from drones onto other devices
- Using drones to move a variety of items
- Performing surveying and mapping work
- Maintaining and repairing drones and equipment
- Duties can vary greatly depending on the industry you work in

### Lifestyle Impact: Varies

- Because Drone Operators can work in so many industries, average pay and work hours vary drastically.
- You will have the opportunity to do work indoors as well as out in the field, depending on the industry you work in.

### Drone Operators are most in demand in these locations:

As a Drone Operator, you will likely be able to find a job in almost any industry, and all across Australia. Here are some potential industry options:

- Arts and Recreation: taking aerial photography and video for events
- Aviation and Transport: using drones to deliver parcels, working in air traffic control
- **Construction:** using drones to survey potential construction sites, remotely checking the progress of construction
- Education: teaching others how to operate drones and obtain a Remote Pilot's License



- **Environment:** remotely surveying crops and livestock, inspecting the health of reefs and rainforests, spotting endangered wildlife
- Government and Defence: providing tactical information to Defence, guide weapons systems
- **Hospitality and Retail:** using drones to fetch items from warehouses, remotely serve customers
- IT: coding and programming new software for drones to increase their capability
- STEM: conducting geospatial surveys, heatmapping, surveying wildlife and land health

### How to become a Drone Operator in Australia

Most places will require you to have a <u>Remote Pilot's License</u> (RePL) in order to operate drones safely and effectively.

Step 1 – Complete at least Year 10 with a focus on English and Maths.

Step 2 - Obtain an Aviation Reference Number (ARN).

Step 3 – Find a certified training provider and undertake your RePL.

Step 4 – Pass all theoretical and practical requirements.

Step 5 - Find an industry you'd like to specialise in.

Find out more here -

https://www.casa.gov.au

https://aviassist.com.au/

