

### Welcome

Welcome to the third Careers Newsletter for 2025. This is the last Newsletter for Term 1. Please see below the latest in University and TAFE news.

### Year 12 News

Nearly all Year 12 students have booked an interview on the Koonung Careers Website for first term. We would like to see all Year 12 students. To book go onto the Koonung Careers Website and click on the Booking button. Please select a time during your free periods before the end of term.

### Year 11 News

Year 11 Vocational Major students went on an excursion Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March to the Careers Expo at the Showgrounds. There were stalls from University and TAFEs and presentations. The students gained some very useful information.

Year 11 Students can book a Careers Interview on the Koonung Careers Website. To book go onto the Koonung Careers Website and click on the Booking button. You will be able to select a time during your free periods.

### Year 10 News

Year 10 during pathways this coming week will have alumni presenters.

### ***Included in this newsletter:***

Open Days & Info Sessions

Scholarships

Job Spotlight

### Open Days & Info Sessions

#### Upcoming Events

Futures Day 2025

**Organisation:** La Trobe University

**Location:** La Trobe Mildura Campus





**Date:** March 29, 2025

Take the opportunity to explore study options at SuniTAFE or La Trobe University at Futures Day 2025. Hear from expert academics and teachers in a range of study areas including regional and metro university study options.

Tailor the day to your study interests and learn about study post school or what it might be like to return to study and retrain in a different area. [Find out more and register](#)

Simulated UCAT Day Workshop, Online

**Organisation:** National Institute of Education

**Location:** Online

**Date:** April 5, 2025

If you are in Years 10, 11, 12, or you may be older and considering sitting the UCAT in the future, then this program is for you. The Simulated UCAT Workshop program is ideal and often a necessary step towards effective and efficient preparation for the UCAT.

The workshop is primarily designed to cover fundamental techniques in navigating all five sections of the UCAT test and also for participants to gain a better understanding of their own level of preparedness for the test.

The program runs over one full day of UCAT training, and Part 2, which is a 3-hour session for students and parents. [Find out more and register](#)

Animal Studies Online Information Session

**Organisation:** Melbourne Polytechnic

**Location:** Online

**Date:** April 7, 2025

Choosing a brand-new career path, knowing where to upgrade your skills or how to start doesn't need to be a decision you make alone.

Hosted by teachers who can answer questions and offer advice on your chosen field, our information sessions help you make an informed decision around your study and career options.

Find out more about the following course(s):

- Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing
- Certificate II in Animal Care
- Certificate III in Animal Care Services

[Find out more and register](#)





### A Day in the Life of a Swinburne Student

**Organisation:** Swinburne University of Technology

**Location:** Swinburne Hawthorn Campus

**Date:** April 8 to April 10, 2025

Keen to experience a regular day on campus? Curious to know exactly what your dream course involves? Not sure which study path is right for you? Come along to our Hawthorn campus for a sneak peek at what comes after high school.

You'll chat with current Swinburne students and academics, explore the Hawthorn campus, and work with other students in hands-on workshops. There's no better way to explore different study areas and feel prepared for your future studies.

Whether you're interested in fashion design or biomedical science, each day covers different study areas so you can get a firsthand glimpse of what your uni experience might be like – based on what you're interested in studying.

[Find out more and register](#)



### Holiday Workshop – Music Theatre, Melbourne

**Organisation:** Australian Institute of Music

**Location:** AIM Melbourne Campus

**Date:** April 14 to April 15, 2025

AIM's holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in Music Theatre. Created for students in Years 9-12, the two-day Music Theatre workshops provide incredible opportunities to experience performing and being mentored by AIM's own accomplished industry professionals. [Find out more and register](#)

### Holiday Workshop – Performance & Songwriting, Melbourne

**Organisation:** Australian Institute of Music

**Location:** AIM Melbourne Campus

**Date:** April 16 to April 17, 2025

AIM's school holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in music performance and songwriting. Created for students in Years 9-12, the two-day music workshops provide opportunities to experience playing, writing, and performing music, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators. [Find out more and register](#)

### VCE and Careers Expo 2025

**Organisation:** Resources for Courses







**Location:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Date:** May 1 to May 3, 2025

The VCE and Careers Expo 2025 features over 120 exhibitors, seminars on VCE subjects, career, employment and study advice.

On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English, Maths, Biology, Business Management, Psychology, Health and Human Development, plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through VTAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis. [Find out more and register](#)

[A day in the life of an optometry student](#)

**Organisation:** Deakin University

**Location:** Deakin Geelong Waurin Ponds Campus

**Date:** May 7, 2025

'A day in the life of an optometry student' is an opportunity for Year 11 students living in the South West and Grampians/Wimmera regions with an interest in optometry to experience what it is like to study at Deakin.

The day will include hands-on practical activities as well as the chance to learn more about pathways, entry requirements and career options. [Find out more and register](#)

[Victorian Careers Show 2025](#)

**Organisation:** Resources for Courses

**Location:** Melbourne Showgrounds

**Date:** May 14 to May 16, 2025

The Victorian Careers Show 2025 features over 90 exhibitors, seminars on VCE subjects, career, employment and study advice.

Students, teachers and parents can attend seminars on subjects including English, Maths, Biology, Business Management, Psychology, Health and Human Development, plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through VTAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

[Find out more and register](#)


[Open House 2025](#)

**Organisation:** University of Melbourne

**Location:** UniMelb Parkville Campus

**Date:** May 17, 2025





Register to tour the University of Melbourne's ten Residential Colleges and visit the University during Open House on Saturday 17 May 2025. Each College has its own unique community spirit to explore and offers a supportive environment that will help you to make lifelong friends, build lasting connections, further your academic pursuits and experience unique opportunities.

During our Open House you will have an opportunity to:

- explore and tour our Residential Colleges
- hear from current residential students
- meet our academic and pastoral care staff
- learn more about our generous scholarship programs and College application process
- discover the best of Residential College social, cultural, sporting and leadership opportunities. [Find out more and register](#)



#### BiG Day In, Melbourne

**Organisation:** ACS Foundation

**Location:** The Capitol, RMIT University

**Date:** May 22, 2025

Join us at the Capitol Theatre on Thursday 22 May for the 2025 BiG Day In Melbourne. Hear from organisations including Wisetech Global, Westpac, Adobe & more about where a STEM career can take you. [Find out more and register](#)

#### Open Day, Melbourne

**Organisation:** Academy of Interactive Entertainment

**Location:** AIE Melbourne Campus

**Date:** May 24, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Open Day. It's a great opportunity to meet our teachers, staff and students. The day will cover everything you need to know about the:

- careers in games and VFX that we train students for;
- studios and industries that we work with;
- courses we offer - from beginners to professional mastery, and;
- the software, skills and knowledge we teach.

AIE's Open Day will also include presentations on entry requirements and how to apply. Find out how AIE can get you into a creative career. [Find out more and register](#)





A day in the life of a medical imaging student

**Organisation:** Deakin University

**Location:** Deakin Geelong Waurin Ponds Campus

**Date:** May 27, 2025

'A day in the life of a medical imaging student' is an opportunity for Year 11 students who live in the South West and Grampians/Wimmera regions and have an interest in medical imaging to experience what it is like to study at Deakin.

The day will include hands-on practical activities as well as the chance to learn more about pathways, entry requirements and career options.

Academics and current students will be available to answer all your questions. [Find out more and register](#)

Forensic Detective Program

**Organisation:** Deakin University

**Location:** Deakin Melbourne Campus

**Date:** June 2 to June 6, 2025

Year 9 and 10 students participate in an interactive 3-hour workshop in our science laboratories, giving students the chance to work in a real-life setting. Activities completed by students are related to entomology, fingerprinting, pollen, hair and fibre analysis, as well as chemistry, blood and DNA analysis. Includes a visit to our Crime Scene House facility.

The activity is designed for school groups of 5 to 25 students. **Applications for the program should be made by teachers, not individual students.**

[Find out more and register](#)

Trade & Tech Fit Career Expo


**Organisation:** Victorian Government

**Location:** Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Date:** June 3 to June 4, 2025

Trade & Tech Fit is Victoria's largest hands-on career expo dedicated to connecting female and gender diverse secondary students with trade and technology industries.

The expo includes more than 100 exhibitors from a huge range of industries, including:

- building, construction & engineering
  - refrigeration, electrical & plumbing
  - automotive, marine, aviation & aerospace
  - solar & wind clean energy
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- foundry and mining
  - transport and logistics
  - agriculture & horticulture
  - gaming, cloud & robotics
  - civil assets management & infrastructure
  - defence, essential services & fire protection.

[Find out more and register](#)

#### Online Campus Day

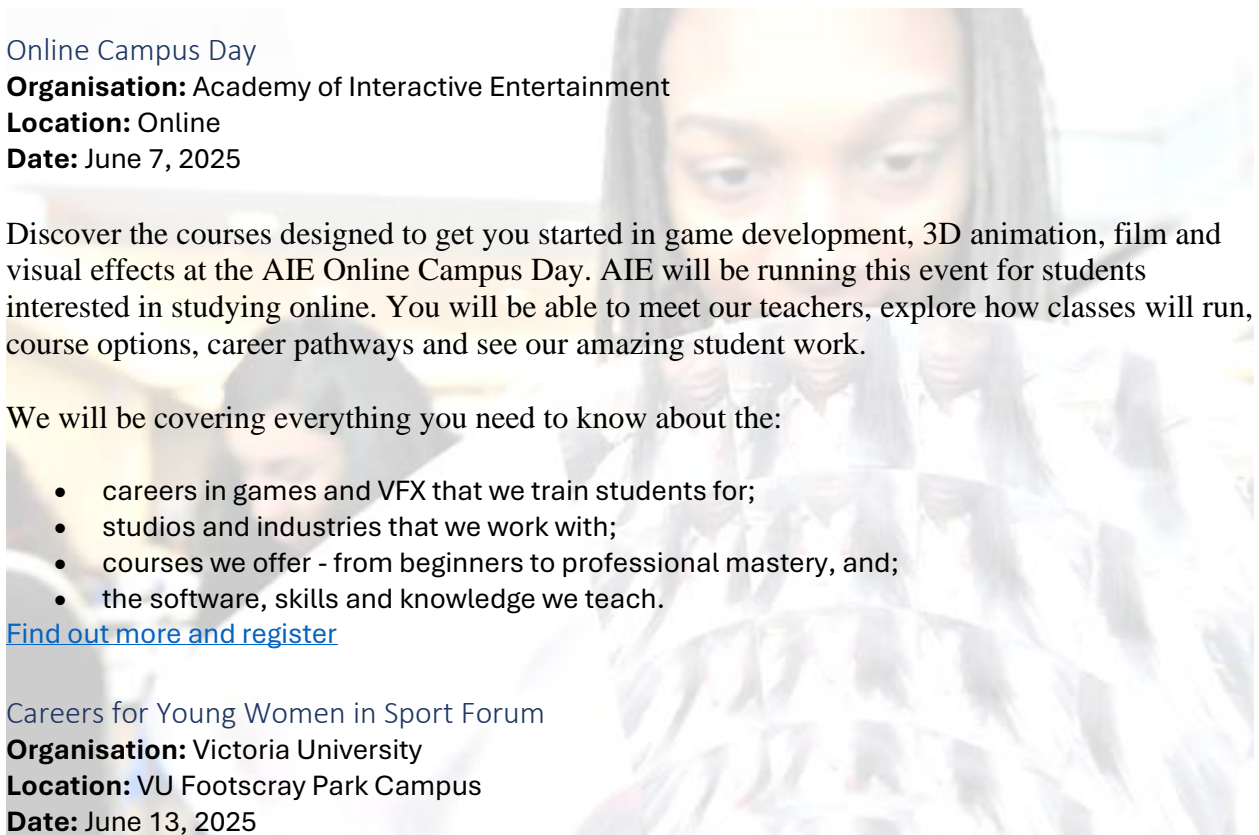
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#### Careers for Young Women in Sport Forum

**Organisation:** Victoria University


**Location:** VU Footscray Park Campus

**Date:** June 13, 2025

VU is committed to empowering young women in sport. This free event is for girls in Year 10–12 who are passionate about a career in sport.

Hear from keynote speaker Laura Kane, AFL Executive General Manager of Football and the first woman to hold this role in the game's history.





Listen to a panel featuring:

- Dr Susan Alberti AC – Advocate for women in sport, AFLW pioneer
- Casey Price – VU Alumni, GM Suncorp Super Netball League & Events
- Current VU Student – Sharing their experience preparing for a career in the sports industry

Participate in a range of masterclasses covering:

- Sport Performance & Rehabilitation
- Sport Management & Business

[Find out more and register](#)

Open Day 2025, Melbourne

**Organisation:** Australian Institute of Music

**Location:** AIM Melbourne Campus

**Date:** June 28, 2025

Join us for Open Day, and experience everything AIM has to offer!

See our campus, get course advice, experience live performances, meet our academics and students, and get involved in activities that will give you a taste of student life here at AIM.

Whether you're ready to study now, or in five years, Open Day is open to all and a fantastic opportunity to discover how the Australian Institute of Music can help turn your passion for music into a career. [Find out more and register](#)

Discover ACU Melbourne: Allied Health, Biomedical Science and Sports Science

**Organisation:** Australian Catholic University

**Location:** ACU Melbourne Campus

**Date:** July 8, 2025

Take part in hands-on workshops, tour our facilities and hear from current students about what it's like to study allied health, biomedical science and sports science at ACU Melbourne.

Plus, tour our facilities, and chat with current students and staff. [Find out more and register](#)

Business Explorer 2025


**Organisation:** Monash University

**Location:** Monash Caulfield Campus

**Date:** July 8 to July 17, 2025







Business Explorer, held on 8 and 17 July 2025, gives you hands-on experience in the world of business. Through interactive games, quizzes and case studies, you get to discover the world of start-ups, brands, stock markets and more!

Each of the days will run in the same way and feature the same great sessions – offering you the choice to pick the day that suits you best!

You have the option to choose three taster sessions in accounting, banking and finance, economics, analytics, entrepreneurship, management, and marketing to experience on the day.

Places are strictly limited to senior students studying IB or VCE Units 1 - 4 students only and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Applications close on 23 June 2025.**

[Find out more and register](#)

## Scholarships

Tradeswomen Australia 25 for '25 Scholarship Project

**Organisation:** Tradeswomen Australia

**Location:** Australia

**Value:** Up to \$2,000

**Open Date:** March 3, 2025

**Close Date:** April 30, 2025

[Find out more](#)

Torrens University – Vogue Australia Scholarship

**Organisation:** Torrens University Australia

**Location:** Australia

**Value:** 50% off course fees

**Open Date:** March 1, 2025

**Close Date:** May 19, 2025

[Find out more](#)





## Workplace Spotlight

### [Discover career pathways in Accounting](#)

Accounting is a vital field that involves the systematic recording, analysing, and reporting of financial transactions. It plays a crucial role in helping businesses and organisations make informed decisions by providing accurate and reliable financial information.

This pathway might be right for you if you are interested in financial management, number crunching, and analysing data to help others make informed decisions.

#### **What do careers in this pathway involve?**

Accounting professionals use various methods and principles to ensure the integrity and transparency of financial records. With their expertise, they assist in managing budgets, preparing tax returns, and evaluating the financial health of both individuals and businesses.

Careers in accounting are expected to grow steadily into the future, particularly in the areas of risk management and compliance.

#### **What are some important human skills for this pathway?**

- Making decisions
- Digital literacy
- Innovation
- Communication
- Adaptability

#### **What are some of the tasks involved?**

- Maintain financial records
- Write financial reports
- Monitor financial activities
- Provide financial advice
- Ensure regulatory compliance
- Verify financial transactions
- Analyse market data
- Conduct financial transactions
- Verify financial documents





## What kind of work environment and conditions can I expect?

You'll usually find people in this pathway working indoors, mainly in an office environment. Because of this, there are many roles that allow for flexible and remote working options.

Many accounting professionals work standard business hours (typically from 9am to 5pm), with both full- and part-time opportunities available.

## The Clusters in accounting

Find out more about the kind of work people in each [Career Cluster](#) might do in this pathway.

### Guardians

Guardians in this pathway safeguard financial records, ensuring accuracy and compliance with regulations.

### Linkers

Linkers in this pathway connect clients with tailored financial services and solutions, acting as the bridge between accountants and clients.

### Coordinators

Coordinators are vital in managing the financial reporting cycle, ensuring timely and accurate delivery.

### Informers

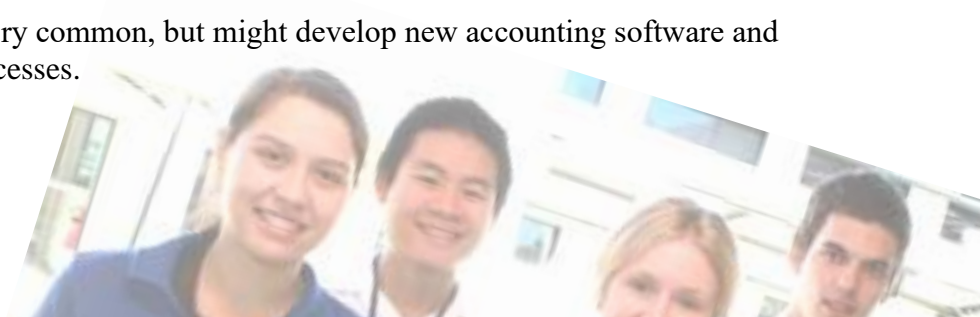
Informers are key in this pathway, offering specialised advice on tax planning, financial compliance, and investment strategies.

### Makers

Makers are needed in this pathway to operate and maintain accounting systems, ensuring data integrity.

### Innovators

Innovators in this pathway aren't very common, but might develop new accounting software and methods to streamline financial processes.







## **Where can an accounting pathway take me?**

Interested in a career in accounting? There are many roles you might like to consider – here are just a few.

### **Entry level roles**

These jobs can be started with little or no training or experience, and are great as a stepping stone towards more senior roles in the pathway.



#### **Accounts Clerk**

Monitor client accounts and prepare and file important financial documents.

#### **Bookkeeper**

Keep financial records and maintain and balance accounts using manual and computerised systems.

#### **Debt Collector**

Work with clients, creditors, and legal professionals to find solutions to payment problems.

### **Mid-level roles**

Once you have some further study or experience under your belt, you might like to consider moving into one of these roles.

#### **General Accountant**

Provide advice and guidance on financial reporting, taxation, auditing, budgeting, financial planning, and decision-making.

#### **Internal Auditor**

Review an organisation's financial activities and ensure they are complying with any relevant regulations and rules.

#### **Credit and Loans Officer**

Analyse, evaluate and process credit and loan applications for both organisations and individuals.





## Senior level roles

These jobs will require extensive further education or many years of experience, but are also highly rewarding.

### Financial Investment Manager

Develop financial plans for individuals and organisations and invest and manage funds on their behalf.

### Forensic Accountant

Investigate financial records to detect fraud, embezzlement, and other financial crimes.

### Tax Compliance Officer

Ensure individuals and organisations follow tax laws by reviewing financial records, conducting audits, and enforcing tax regulations.

### Similar pathways

If these careers aren't quite right for you, you might like to explore some other similar pathways instead.

#### Finance

Analyse, strategise, and manage financial resources for individuals and organisations.

#### Insurance


Assess, mitigate, and manage risks to protect individuals and businesses.


#### Management

Organise, lead, and coordinate teams to achieve organisational goals.

### How can I build experience in this pathway?

If you're still in high school and want to find out if a career in accounting is right for you, here are some activities you can do:

- Create a personal or household budget to grasp the basics of financial planning
  - Learn the basics of software like QuickBooks to understand industry-standard tools
  - Attend free online webinars to deepen your understanding of accounting fundamentals
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We recommend studying these subjects in high school:

- English
- Mathematics
- Business
- Economics
- ICT

Here are some suggestions of places you might like to try and find work experience:

- Non-profit organisations
- Government agencies
- Start-up companies
- Small businesses
- Educational institutions

**Where can I find out more?**

You can explore other career pathways and find in-depth information on specific jobs [on our website](#).

