



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

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UOW Information Evenings

Organisation: University of Wollongong

Location: Various

Date: March 24 to April 10, 2025

UOW is committed to providing high school students, parents and carers of high school students as well as non-school leavers with information and knowledge to help make informed decisions about your future.

These interactive events are designed to answer all the common questions that students have about starting university study. UOW staff and current students will be on-hand to make sure you have all of your questions answered at the one time in the one place.

- Bathurst Info Night: Monday, 24 March 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Macarthur Info Night: Tuesday, 25 March 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Dubbo Info Night: Tuesday, 25 March 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Orange Info Night: Wednesday, 26 March 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Wollongong Info Night: Wednesday, 26 March 2025, 17:30 - 20:00
- Cooma Info Night: Thursday, 27 March 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Mudgee Info Night: Thursday, 27 March 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Griffith Info Night: Monday, 31 March 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Albury Info Night: Tuesday, 1 April 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Wagga Wagga Info Night: Wednesday, 2 April 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Liverpool Info Night: Wednesday, 2 April 2025, 17:30 - 20:00
- Bega Valley Info Night: Tuesday, 8 April 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Shoalhaven Info Night: Tuesday, 8 April 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Southern Highlands Info Night: Tuesday, 8 April 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Menai Info Night: Wednesday, 9 April 2025, 17:30 - 20:00
- Goulburn Info Night: Wednesday, 9 April 2025, 17:45 - 19:30
- Eurobodalla Info Night: Thursday, 10 April 2025, 17:45 - 19:30

[Find out more and register](#)



Central Coast Info Night 2025

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: The Entertainment Grounds, West Gosford

Date: March 25, 2025

Discover why the University of Sydney is the right place for you at our information night for year 10 to 12 students. You'll have the chance to speak with current students and alumni from the Central Coast who have pursued a variety of degrees across the University as well as expert staff and a UAC representative.

Year 11 and 12 students will learn about admission requirements, entry schemes, pathways, fees, scholarships and financial assistance and support services available at the University.

Year 10 students will get a snapshot of the University of Sydney and take part in a separate workshop where they will link personal interests and skills with university courses and careers. This workshop will prepare students to make informed decisions for their senior subject selection in preparation for meeting the admission requirements for University of Sydney courses.

[Find out more and register](#)

Sydney Defence Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Rhodes Business Centre

Date: March 25, 2025

Wondering whether a job in the Australian Defence Force (ADF) is the right fit for you?

Come along to an upcoming info session where you'll have the opportunity to ask questions and learn everything you want to know regarding job roles in the Navy, Army and Air Force.

You'll have the chance to speak with current serving members to see if an ADF career is the one for you.

[Find out more and register](#)

Tumbi Umbi Defence Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Mingara Recreation Club

Date: March 25, 2025

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Newcastle Gap Year Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Newcastle ADF Careers Centre

Date: March 26, 2025

Wondering what to do with your time after finishing school? Consider doing a Gap Year with the Australian Defence Force (ADF)!

Spend 12 months with the best of the best as you get paid to experience life in the Navy, Army or Air Force, having unique life experiences and making lifelong friends along the way.

Come along to an upcoming info session where you can speak to military personnel about what an ADF Gap Year has to offer you.

[Find out more and register](#)

Parramatta Info Night 2025

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: PARKROYAL Parramatta

Date: March 26, 2025

Discover why the University of Sydney is the right place for you at our information night for year 10 to 12 students.



You'll have the chance to speak with current students and alumni from Parramatta who have pursued a variety of degrees across the University as well as expert staff and a UAC representative.

Year 11 and 12 students will learn about admission requirements, entry schemes, pathways, fees, scholarships and financial assistance and support services available at the University.

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Western Wednesday Drop-In Session

Organisation: Western Sydney University

Location: Online

Date: March 26, 2025

In 2025, Western is hosting a series of online drop-in sessions for you to chat with our Future Student Engagement Team. Drop in during any of our sessions to get your burning questions answered.

Ask about your dream degree, alternative entry pathways, scholarships, support services or any other Western-related topics.

[Find out more and register](#)

Your pathway into medicine

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Online

Date: March 26, 2025

Passionate about studying Medicine and making a difference in the world? Seize this opportunity to discover how the University of Sydney can help you achieve your dreams of becoming a doctor!

The University of Sydney Medicine Degree will equip you with the clinical expertise, leadership skills, and human understanding needed to impact lives positively, both in Australia and globally.

Join this webinar to find out about the flexibility and rewards of our double degree programs in medicine. Learn how to best prepare for the admissions process and set yourself up for success.

[Find out more and register](#)

Liverpool Info Night 2025

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Liverpool Civic Place

Date: March 27, 2025

Discover why the University of Sydney is the right place for you at our information night for year 10 to 12 students. You'll have the chance to speak with current students and alumni from South West Sydney who have pursued a variety of degrees across the University as well as expert staff and a UAC representative.

Students will learn about admission requirements, entry schemes, pathways, fees, scholarships and financial assistance and support services available at the University.

[Find out more and register](#)

Wollongong Gap Year Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Wollongong ADF Careers Centre

Date: March 27, 2025

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Spend 12 months with the best of the best as you get paid to experience life in the Navy, Army or Air Force, having unique life experiences and making lifelong friends along the way.



Come along to an upcoming info session where you can speak to military personnel about what an ADF Gap Year has to offer you.

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ANSTO Science Discovery Tour

Organisation: ANSTO

Location: ANSTO Discovery Centre

Date: March 29, 2025

This tour provides an in-depth look into the world of nuclear science and the work ANSTO does in the areas of health, the environment and delivering solutions for industry.

Subject to availability, we will visit Australia's only nuclear reactor OPAL, the Australian Centre for Neutron Scattering, the ANSTO Nuclear Medicine facility and the Centre for Accelerator Science.

[Find out more and register](#)

Chess, Life, and Education: Strategies for Success

Organisation: Crimson Global Academy

Location: Online

Date: March 29, 2025

Whether you are looking to improve game logic or uncover ways to strategise beyond the chessboard, learn tips, tricks, and frameworks for success from Abhimanyu (Abhi) Mishra (the World's Youngest Ever Chess Grandmaster) and International Master Javier Gil (the Sydney Academy of Chess).

Joined by Crimson Global Academy (CGA) Academic Advisor Karen Nguyen, this webinar will explore how tried and tested chess skills - like critical thinking, discipline, and goal-setting - can shape success in education and life.

[Find out more and register](#)

Medicine Information Night

Organisation: Charles Sturt University

Location: Online

Date: April 1, 2025

Get ready for a rewarding career and make a positive difference in your community with our five-year undergraduate entry degree, Bachelor of Clinical Science (Medicine) / Doctor of Medicine.

Based on our Orange campus, Charles Sturt University offers the Joint Program in Medicine in partnership with Western Sydney University. You can expect to study for two years, followed by three years of rural and regional placements.

Whether you're in high school, looking for a career change or keen to take the next step in your health career — this information night is for you! Parents, carers and career advisers are also welcome to attend.

[Find out more and register](#)

Wollongong A Night in the Army Reserve

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Wollongong Army Reserve Depot

Date: April 1, 2025

Consider serving locally in the Army Reserve.

You will be part of something exciting, challenging and rewarding while giving back to the community, learning new skills and receiving tax-free pay!

Join ADF Careers at the upcoming A Night in the Army Reserve and speak with current serving personnel about the roles on offer.

On the night you will have the chance to check out:

- Military Vehicles
- Static Military Displays
- Interactive Military Displays
- Learn more about the Army Reserves



[Find out more and register](#)

Year 10 Info Evenings: Subject Selection

Organisation: University of New South Wales

Location: Online

Date: April 1 to April 3, 2025

Get advice and information that's specially tailored for Year 10 students, that will help you navigate the HSC subject selection process, explain how UNSW admissions and scholarship applications work, and give you an insight into transitioning into university life so that you can get a head start on planning your future.

Parents and teachers of Year 10 students are invited to join the evening as well as participate in the live Q&A session.

[Find out more and register](#)

How to find your rhythm in Music

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Online

Date: April 2, 2025

A career in music can take countless forms. Join us as we dive into the diverse world of music careers through the eyes of our successful Sydney Conservatorium of Music alumni and academic staff. Discover the secrets behind their soaring careers, from pivotal inspirations to the doors they opened and the wisdom they gained along the way.

Tune in for an inspiring session that will ignite your passion and guide your own musical journey towards success.

[Find out more and register](#)

Blacktown Exercise Sports and Technology Hub (BEST) guided tour

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: ACU Blacktown Campus

Date: April 3, 2025

Did you want to take a deeper dive into Sport and Exercise Science or High Performance Sport at ACU?

Join us for a discipline-specific guided visit at the BEST Hub, a \$100m state-of-the-art health and performance facility at the Blacktown International Sports Park.

You'll be shown around the facility by expert academic staff, meet current students and see our cutting-edge biomechanical and exercise physiology labs in action.

[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](#)

UNSW College Open Day

Organisation: University of New South Wales

Location: UNSW College Campus

Date: April 5, 2025

Thinking about your options after high school?



Discover how UNSW College can help you progress straight into second year at UNSW Sydney – no compromises, no delays. With May and August '25 intakes available, you won't have to wait long to start your UNSW journey. At our Open Day, you'll get a taste of college life, immerse yourself in our vibrant community, and find out how a UNSW College Diploma can set you up for a lifetime of success.

[Find out more and register](#)

Open Day, April

Organisation: Sydney Design School

Location: Sydney Design School

Date: April 5, 2025

If you're considering studying with us, our Open Day is a great way to get to know us better. Explore our studios, browse through our Graduate Exhibition, meet students and Educators, watch a live Info Session and get creative making a mood board or digital model.

[Find out more and register](#)

Central Coast Future Pathways Expo 2025

Organisation: Central Coast Group Training

Location: The Entertainment Grounds

Date: April 8, 2025

Are you ready to take the next step toward your dream career? The Central Coast Future Pathways Expo is the ultimate event for job seekers, career changers, and students exploring their future opportunities!

Open to the public for the first time - this is your chance to connect with leading employers, industry professionals, training providers and engage in some hands-on experiences, all under one roof.

Whether you're just starting out or looking for a fresh start, the Future Pathways Expo will inspire and guide you toward the career of your dreams.

[Find out more and register](#)

Holiday Workshop – Performance, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Sydney Campus

Date: April 14, 2025

AIM's new school holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in music performance. Created for students in Years 9-12, the workshops provide incredible opportunities to experience playing and performing music, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

Learn, practice and perform contemporary and classic pop, rock and soul tunes, under the expertise of Australia's leading music mentors.

[Find out more and register](#)

Holiday Workshop – Songwriting, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Sydney Campus

Date: April 14, 2025

Created for students in Years 9-12, AIM's new high school music workshops provide incredible opportunities to explore songwriting, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

This songwriting workshop is essential for any high school students curious about writing songs and performing and is a golden opportunity to work with incredibly accomplished songwriters. Join us these school holidays and discover the songwriter and performer you were born to become.

[Find out more and register](#)

Future Creators' Day

Organisation: University of New South Wales

Location: UNSW Paddington Campus



Date: April 14, 2025

Future Creators' Day is a hands-on experience for Year 10 and 11 students passionate about creativity, design, and visual storytelling. Hosted by UNSW Arts, Design & Architecture, this event is the perfect opportunity to explore future study and career paths in the creative industries.

Join us on campus for a day of immersive workshops led by expert academics and industry professionals. Get a taste of our newly offered Game Art specialisation, along with workshops in Animation, Painting, Textiles & Fashion Design, Object Design, and Graphic Design. Whether you're interested in digital art, interactive storytelling, or traditional design disciplines, this event is designed to help you develop your skills and discover your creative potential.

Connect with like-minded students, experience university life, and gain insights into studying at UNSW. Future Creators' Day is your chance to turn your creative passion into a future career.

[Find out more and register](#)

Discover Law, Criminology and Human Rights at ACU Blacktown

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: ACU Blacktown Campus

Date: April 14, 2025

All rise! Aspiring lawyers, criminologists, and human rights advocates, it's time to sharpen your analytical skills and discover the excitement of the courtroom. Join us for interactive workshops designed to give you a taste of what it's like to study law, criminology, and human rights at ACU.

Dive into hands-on sessions where you'll test your courtroom strategies, unravel criminal cases, and explore the critical thinking skills needed to succeed in these fast-paced fields. Plus, engage in a dynamic and interactive human rights session, preparing you with valuable insights into the complexities of human rights law and the importance of advocacy.

Whether you're interested in the legal system, criminology, or human rights, this event will give you an exciting taste of your future career path.

[Find out more and register](#)

School Holiday 'Out There' Sailing Program

Organisation: Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club

Location: Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club

Date: April 14 to April 17, 2025

The 'Out There' School Holiday Sailing Program is for participants who are 12-17 years old looking to try a new activity, have some fun and engage with others whilst sailing.

This four-day program will include a variety of sailing activities that are focused on having fun and learning basic sailing skills. Sessions will be conducted on a mix of Club vessels, including the RPAYC's fleet of Elliott 7 Keelboats, Pacer Dinghies, Windsurf and SUP Boards, Hobie-Cat dinghies and Powerboats.

[Find out more and register](#)

Experience Macquarie Days

Organisation: Macquarie University

Location: Macquarie Wallumattagal Campus

Date: April 15 to April 16, 2025

Make the most of the April school holidays by spending 'a day in the life' of a uni student!

Our Experience Macquarie Days give you the opportunity to attend information sessions and interactive workshops, tour our state-of-the-art facilities and learning spaces, and explore our campus with a Macquarie student guide.

You'll have the flexibility to structure your day around your interests – the choice is yours.

Whether you're certain about your future path or you're still exploring your options, these taster days will give you a feel for university life, connect you with students just like you, and maybe even get you thinking about fields of study that you're yet to consider.

[Find out more and register](#)



Designing My Career – School Holiday Bootcamp for Teenagers

Organisation: Impactify

Location: Oakhill College, Castle Hill

Date: April 24 to April 25, 2025

This workshop focuses on helping young people design a career that they'll love (from the inside-out) whilst also teaching valuable employability skills in order to bring their career aspirations to life!

What can you expect to gain from this workshop?

- A new perspective on how to design your career & life
- Awareness of strengths
- Awareness of interests
- Awareness of motivators/values
- Awareness of 3+ jobs/career pathways that align with you
- A vision for your future career & life
- Creation of a powerful resume
- Opportunity to develop your communication & confidence
- Authentic feedback from peers & industry to propel success
- Clear next best steps for designing your career & life

[Find out more and register](#)

Discover Health Sciences at ACU North Sydney

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: ACU North Sydney Campus

Date: April 24, 2025

Are you ready to explore a career that makes a real difference? Discover what it's like to study nursing, occupational therapy, physiotherapy or speech pathology at ACU North Sydney.

Take part in hands-on workshops where you'll get a feel for the practical skills you'll develop as a future healthcare professional.

Tour our campus and experience our state-of-the-art, fully functional simulation wards, where you'll get a behind-the-scenes look at the innovative training that makes ACU health sciences graduates highly sought after by employers.

[Find out more and register](#)

HSC Shakespeare Seminars with USYD

Organisation: Bell Shakespeare

Location: The Neilson Nutshell, Pier 2/3

Date: April 30 to May 2, 2025

Join us at the Neilson Nutshell at Pier 2/3, or access digital recordings, for our series of live HSC Shakespeare Seminars in partnership with the University of Sydney.

Presented onsite at Pier 2/3 in The Neilson Nutshell, each seminar will feature Bell Shakespeare artists in conversation with a leading academic from the University of Sydney presenting illuminating and engaging content on each play. Actors from Bell Shakespeare will perform key scenes and soliloquies to demonstrate ideas presented and key content from each play.

Part performance, part interactive seminar, these sessions are designed to directly link to NSW HSC modules and give students the edge in upcoming exams. Combining live performance, academic analysis and illuminating dramatic insights in conversation, seminars will be presented in a dynamic format showing the interplay between text and drama.

Sessions for 2025 include:

- Wednesday 30 April 2025, 10am – 12pm
The Tempest / Hag-Seed
- Thursday 1 May 2025, 10am – 12pm
Henry IV Part 1
- Friday 2 May 2025, 10am – 12pm
Richard III / Looking For Richard



[Find out more and register](#)

Year 10 Taster Day – Northern Rivers

Organisation: Southern Cross University

Location: SCU Lismore Campus

Date: May 2, 2025

Join us for Taster Day, where you will experience University life through dynamic and interactive sessions. Meet our inspiring students and experience our campus facilities and learn more about university life on this fun day!

- Live like a University student for the day and participate in 6 interactive workshops across different and exciting areas of study
- Experience our state-of-the-art campus facilities
- Ask questions to our current students about university life

Each school can bring up to 30 students. **Registrations close 14th April.**

[Find out more and register](#)

BiG Day In, Newcastle

Organisation: ACS Foundation

Location: UON Callaghan Campus

Date: May 7, 2025

Join us in the Great Hall at University of Newcastle Callaghan Campus on Wednesday 7 May for the 2025 Big Day In Newcastle. Learning where a career in technology can take you from organisations such as Defence Force Recruiting, Westpac, Wisetech Global, Mudbath, Microsoft & loads more. Speak to exhibitors in the breaks about internships, cadetships, work experience, traineeships & more!

[Find out more and register](#)

Health and Community Services Explore Day

Organisation: Charles Sturt University

Location: CSU Orange Campus

Date: May 13, 2025

Are you in Year 10, 11 or 12 and want a health career that makes a real difference? Join us for Orange Health and Community Services Explore Day.

You'll learn from industry speakers, get one-to-one advice at our expo hub and take part in two immersive workshops.

What to expect:

- Hear from health industry experts at guest speaker sessions.
- Get hands-on in health workshops in our world-class learning facilities.
- Have your course and career questions answered.
- Talk one-to-one with industry providers and course experts at the expo hub.
- Discover everything you need to know about studying health and community services.

[Find out more and register](#)

Newcastle & Lake Macquarie Career Expo 2025

Organisation: Career Links

Location: Newcastle Racecourse

Date: May 15, 2025

The largest Career Expo for transitioning secondary students in the region welcomes years 10, 11 and 12 students accompanied by their Career Advisers and teachers, parents, guardians and support people.

The expo attracts a record number of local and interstate exhibitors including major universities, leading training colleges, businesses, industry representatives and community organisations.

[Find out more and register](#)



Greater Western Sydney Careers Market 2025

Organisation: Brett Carter Events

Location: Penrith Valley Regional Sports Centre

Date: May 21 to May 22, 2025

This event offers exhibitors the opportunity to speak to thousands of Greater Western Sydney high school students and careers advisers as these students explore career paths and further education options available to them.

Organisations such as Universities, Registered Training Organisations (RTO), Apprenticeship Centre's, Group training Organisations, Private Colleges, Professional Associations and Employers attend this event to inform students about everything they need to know, covering all questions about careers and educational options after high school.

[Find out more and register](#)

Open Day, Sydney

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: AIE Sydney 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](#)

BiG Day In, Parramatta

Organisation: ACS Foundation

Location: WSU Parramatta City Campus

Date: May 28, 2025

Join us at Parramatta CBD Campus Western Sydney University for BiG Day In Parramatta – hear from organisations including Microsoft, Google, Westpac, Wisetech Global & more to come about where a STEM career can take you.

[Find out more and register](#)

HSC and Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses

Location: Royal Randwick Racecourse

Date: May 29 to May 31, 2025

The HSC and Careers Expo 2025 will be held on Thursday 29 May, Friday 30 May and Saturday 31 May, 9am-3pm at the Royal Randwick Racecourse.

On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English and Maths plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through UAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

[Find out more and register](#)

Online Campus Day

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: Online

Date: June 7, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Online Campus Day. AIE will be running this event for students interested in studying online. You will be able to



meet our teachers, explore how classes will run, course options, career pathways and see our amazing student work.

We will be covering 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.

[Find out more and register](#)

Year 11 & 12 Masterclass – Coffs Harbour

Organisation: Southern Cross University

Location: SCU Coffs Harbour Campus

Date: June 20, 2025

Join us for Masterclass Day where you will take a deep dive into different study areas of your choice. Meet our students and academics, experience our campus facilities and learn more about university life on this interactive and fun day!

What can I expect?

- Live like a University student for the day and elect two interactive workshops in your preferred areas of study
- Experience our state-of-the-art campus facilities
- Meet inspiring people, from academics to current students

Registrations close 5th May.

[Find out more and register](#)

Open Day 2025, Sydney

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Sydney Campus

Date: June 21, 2025

Join us for Open Day, and experience everything AIM has to offer. Register to save your spot today!

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](#)

Western Sydney Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses

Location: Sydney Olympic Park

Date: June 26 to June 28, 2025

The Western Sydney Careers Expo 2025 will be held on Thursday 26 June, Friday 27 June and Saturday 28 June, 9am-3pm at Sydney Olympic Park.

On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English and Maths plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through UAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

[Find out more and register](#)

2025 STEM-Sell

Organisation: The Engineering Link Group

Location: WestConnex Motorway Control Centre

Date: July 1 to July 2, 2025



The Engineering Link Group's STEM-Sell program is designed for Year 8 and 9 students. This engaging, low-stakes competition allows teams of three students from each school to complete an engineering challenge. Hosted either at a venue nominated by the sponsor or at a local high school, the program provides a unique opportunity for students to explore the exciting world of engineering.

Due to the demand in 2024, we are offering two separate days. Schools are encouraged to register for one day only. The program on both days is the same.

Date: Tuesday 1st July **OR** Wednesday 2nd July 2025

Time: 9.15 am to 2.15 pm

[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](#)

Competitions

Tax, Super + You Competition

Organisation: Australian Taxation Office

Location: Australia

Value: \$1,000 plus \$1,000 for your school

Open Date: March 24, 2025

Close Date: September 5, 2025

[Find out more](#)

Big Science Competition

Organisation: Australian Science Innovations

Location: All

Value: See details

Close Date: April 29, 2025

[Find out more](#)

[5 essential budgeting tips for teenagers](#)

As a teenager, learning how to manage your money effectively is an essential life skill, and budgeting is a huge part of it. Budgeting not only helps you make the most of what you earn, but also builds discipline and responsible financial habits.



But if money burns a hole in your pocket faster than you can say "online shopping", don't stress. In this blog, we'll explore five budgeting tips specifically tailored for teenagers, helping you to take control of your finances and start saving.

#1 - Set clear financial goals

Having clear financial goals is the first step toward successful budgeting - after all, it makes it easier to save if you have something to save for, right?

Take some time to identify your short-term and long-term objectives. Are you saving for a specific item, like a new smartphone or a trip? Or do you have more long-term goals, such as saving for university or starting a small business? Once you have a goal in mind, you'll be more motivated to stick to your budget.

#2 - Track your expenses

Keeping track of your expenses can help you identify areas where you can cut back or save. Make a habit of recording your spending - this can be through a budgeting app (such as [Lunch Money](#), [Budgey](#), or [EveryDollar](#)) or in a simple notebook or spreadsheet.

Categorise and track *all* your expenses (such as entertainment, transportation, or eating out) to get a clear picture of your spending patterns. Then you can make adjustments as needed.

#3 - Differentiate between needs and wants

It's easy to get carried away with impulsive purchases, especially when you're bombarded with ads constantly. But learning to differentiate between needs and wants is vital for maintaining a balanced budget. Before making any purchase, ask yourself:

- Is it something I need, or just want?
- If I do need it, do I need it *right now*?

When you focus on what you need first, you can prioritise your spending. And if you happen to have money left over, you can spend some on your wants without jeopardising your long-term goals.

#4 - Be realistic

A budget acts as a roadmap for your finances, guiding you toward your goals. To create a realistic budget:

- Start by calculating your total income, including allowances, job earnings, and any other sources of money
- Next, list your regular expenses, such as school supplies, transportation costs, and personal items
- Don't forget to allocate a portion of your income toward savings and unexpected expenses
- Make sure your expenses don't exceed your income, and you're all set

It's also fine if your circumstances change and you need to adjust your budget. Regular reviews are a good idea anyway to help you see if still you're on track.

#5 - Save and invest wisely

Saving money isn't just about setting it aside; it's also about making it grow. Explore different savings options available to teenagers, such as opening a savings account or investing in low-risk ventures.

We recommend you seek guidance from a trusted adult or financial advisor to understand the various investment opportunities suitable for your age and financial goals before setting out on your own.

Ready to give it a try?

Mastering budgeting as a teenager can set you up for financial wellness throughout your life. And the earlier you start, the better off you'll be in the long run.

[You can check out some more money tips for teenagers on our website here.](#)

Apprenticeships & Traineeships

Balancing work, study, and life as an apprentice

Starting your journey as an apprentice is an exciting step towards building your career. You're earning while learning, getting hands-on experience, and working towards a qualification all at the same time.



But juggling work responsibilities, study commitments, and still having a life outside of all that? That can be challenging. Let's look at some practical ways to balance work, study, and life as an apprentice.

Why is balance important?

When you're doing an apprenticeship, you have multiple responsibilities to manage:

- Working regular hours at your workplace
- Attending classes or training sessions
- Completing assignments or studying for assessments
- And still finding time for friends, family, and things you enjoy

Finding the right balance is key - when you're managing your time well, you'll feel less stressed, perform better at work and in your studies, and actually enjoy the journey.

Practical tips for balancing it all

Now you know why balance is important, let's dive into how you can achieve it.

Create a realistic schedule

Having a clear plan for your week can make a huge difference. Try these tips:

- Use a [planner or digital calendar](#) to map out your work hours, class times, and study blocks
- Schedule in social activities and downtime too - these aren't extras, they're essentials
- Be realistic about what you can achieve in a day. Overloading your schedule will only lead to burnout

Communicate with your employer and training provider

Most employers and training providers understand the challenges apprentices face. Don't be afraid to:

- Talk to your boss if you're struggling with deadlines or workload
- Speak with your trainer if you need extra support with your studies
- Ask about flexible arrangements during busy assessment periods

Develop good study habits

Making the most of your study time means you won't need to sacrifice your personal life as much:

- Find your most productive time of day for studying (are you a morning person or night owl?)
- Break down big assignments into smaller, manageable chunks
- Remove distractions during study time - put your phone on silent or use apps that block social media

Look after your wellbeing

As always, your physical and mental health need to be priorities:

- Make time for regular exercise - even a 20-minute walk can boost your mood and energy
- Eat well and [get enough sleep](#) - skimping on these basics will affect your performance
- Take proper breaks during the day to refresh your mind
- Stay connected with friends and family who support you

Find efficiencies where you can

Look for ways to save time without cutting corners.:

- Meal prep on weekends to save time and eat healthier during the week
- Use commute time for light studying or listening to relevant podcasts
- Combine activities where possible (catch up with a friend while exercising)

Remember why you're doing this

On tough days, remind yourself of your goals and the benefits of completing your apprenticeship:

- You're gaining valuable skills that employers want
- You're working your way towards a career you'll love
- You're earning while others might be racking up student debt
- You're building real-world experience that can't be taught in a classroom



When to seek support

If you're consistently feeling overwhelmed despite your best efforts, it might be time to ask for help. Here are some places you can go:

- Talk to your employer's HR department or apprenticeship coordinator
- Reach out to support services at your training provider
- Connect with other apprentices who understand what you're going through
- Speak with a trusted adult or counsellor if stress is affecting your wellbeing

Remember, asking for help isn't a sign of weakness - it's something we all need to do from time to time.

You've got this

Balancing work, study, and life as an apprentice isn't always easy, but the skills you're developing now - time management, prioritisation, communication - will benefit you throughout your entire career. Stay focused on your goals, be kind to yourself when things get tough, and don't forget to celebrate your progress along the way.

[You can find more information about apprenticeships our website here.](#)

Entrepreneurship

Inspiring teen bosses

Ever wondered what it would be like to run your own business while still at school? Across the globe, there are heaps of inspiring teen bosses out there turning their passion into profit, proving that you don't need decades of experience to make your mark.

From app developers and social media influencers to innovative product creators, these young entrepreneurs show what's possible when you combine creativity with determination. Their stories might just inspire you to turn your own business idea into reality, whether you want to start alongside your studies or as a potential career path down the track.

Bath bomb sisters

Teenage sisters Isabel and Caroline Bercaw were a bit disappointed in the quality of the bath bombs they were buying; so they took matters into their own hands and tried making their own.

From their start mixing up bath bombs in the kitchen sink, they're now in charge of a business that has sold over 10 million bath bombs to suppliers and customers all over the world.

The girls credit their family for the help and support that led to their success.

"We're really lucky that we grew up surrounded by such smart people. We're super grateful that they believed in our idea and wanted to get on board with it."

- *Caroline Bercaw, co-founder of Da Bomb Bath Fizzers*

[Read their full story here.](#)

JoJo bows

Young entertainer JoJo Siwa got her start on reality show *Dance Moms*, but it was her entrepreneurship that saw her real success.

Originally striking a deal with Nickelodeon, JoJo now has her own brand, selling things from toys to shoes, as well as her biggest seller - her signature bows, of which she's sold more than 80 million worldwide.

She's also an avid content creator, as well as a musician, actor, and performer - talk about doing it all!

"I love doing YouTube. That's where my heart is, and so it makes me sad when I can't put a good, fun, energetic video out, because that's what I love to do - and that's my passion. And that's who I am."

- *JoJo Siwa, influencer and entrepreneur*

[Read more about JoJo's journey here.](#)

AI for good

At just 17 years old, Richard Black founded California-based startup Halfcode, a company that uses Artificial Intelligence to develop smart technology to help people with disabilities. One of their products, smart glasses, is designed to help people with visual and hearing impairments.



For Richard, the social aspect of his business is just as important as making money.

"I know for me personally, the social mission is what drives me and no matter what I will be doing in the future, I'll always be a social entrepreneur."

- Richard Black, founder of Halfcode

[Read more about Richard's story here.](#)

Changing the way we browse

Working as an intern for Netscape when he was just 15, Blake Ross was frustrated by the web browser he had to use. So he decided to make his own. Today, Firefox is one of the most widely-used internet browsers, with nearly 200 million users each month.

Blake has since developed other software and worked for Facebook, and is constantly pursuing his own passion for software innovation.

"We weren't trying to strike it rich with Firefox. It's open source and it's free. We weren't trying to take over the world; we had kind of modest goals, and it was OK if it failed. We were a lot freer to make risky decisions. If you can afford to do things that way, it's just so much better. You're not thinking about venture capitalists or marketing or sales. Just product and users, all day every day."

- Blake Ross, co-creator of Firefox

[Read more about Blake here.](#)

Want more?

There are heaps more stories of inspiring teen bosses making a difference in the world. You can see more here:

- [5 incredible teen entrepreneurs](#)
- [16 young and successful entrepreneurs who prove that age is nothing but a number](#)
- [Meet 9 inspiring young entrepreneurs](#)

Or you can read more about entrepreneurship and find ideas for starting your own business [on our website here.](#)

Gap Years

[A gap year with no travel](#)

A gap year is traditionally when students who have just finished school take a year off before heading off to university or full-time work. And as you probably already know, most people love to spend their gap year travelling. While it's great seeing the world and meeting new people, it's unfortunately not always possible, whether it's because of finances or a global pandemic. So if you're thinking of taking a gap year but can't (or don't want to) travel, you might be wondering what else there is to do instead.

Never fear - there are heaps of other things you can do in your year off that don't involve jumping on a plane. But first, let's talk a little about why you'd want to take a gap year at all.

Benefits of a gap year (even with no travel)

A year can sound like a long time - and if you don't exactly have a plan, it might be a little daunting to imagine what you're going to do with all that time. If you're on the fence about taking a gap year, here are some benefits that might sway you:

Take a breather

High school can get pretty intense. Do you really want to jump into another three (or more) years of study straight away? A gap year can be a great time to relax, de-stress, and do some soul-searching. Remember - it's OK to not know what you want to do right after leaving school!

Grow as a person

Having time away from study can leave you with lots of time for other activities. You might pick up a new hobby, volunteer, join a club, take a class, learn a new language, set new goals...the list is endless. Sometimes it's good to just take some time to grow as a person and develop important skills.

You might change your mind



Maybe you found something you really love doing during your gap year and now you don't want (or need) to go to university. On the other hand, maybe your time off just made you even more keen to start studying again. Both of those are OK! Spending your time off wisely can help solidify your decisions for the future.

How can I spend my gap year?

Now for the big question: if I can't travel, what else can I do with my gap year? Well, the answer is *lots*.

Volunteer

There are heaps of benefits to [volunteering](#). You get to meet new people, build new skills, and hopefully do something you enjoy. It can also be satisfying knowing you're giving something back to the community as well.

Work

I know what you're thinking - don't you want to take a gap year to relax a little? But even working part-time can be hugely beneficial. You get to learn new skills, build your employment networks, and - best of all - earn some cash. Finding a job or even work experience in a field you're interested in can also help you decide whether or not it's the right choice for you.

Start a new hobby

Love nature? Start up your own garden. Feeling a bit creative? Learn to paint or play an instrument. Still got those dreams of travel in your mind? Learn a new language. Been putting off those fitness goals? Now is the time to start. You'd be surprised at what you can achieve in a year. Spending some time doing what you love can also help you narrow down your focus when thinking about what to study. Want some low-cost hobby ideas? Take a look at [this list from Lifehack](#).

Learn how to become an adult

Having a year off without having to worry about study can give you time to learn other useful life skills. You could learn how to budget, start cooking at home, do some research into tax and superannuation, or find out how to rent a house or unit. These are all things you definitely need to learn how to do one day, so you might as well start now. Take a look at some of the [blogs on our website](#) for heaps of info on becoming independent.

So what's next?

Our biggest tip if you're looking to take a gap year is to make sure you have a plan. Don't take a year off just to lay around the house and do nothing - that's not going to benefit you at all. Take a step back for a second and think about your interests and ambitions. What matters to you? What can you do about it right now? Think about ways you can spend your gap year to improve yourself and your future prospects. Even small steps add up to big progress over time.

Where can I find out more about gap years?

We have a huge collection of resources on gap years, from tips and advice to program recommendations - [check them out here](#).

Job Spotlights

[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

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