# CAREER NEWS

**Friday 30 October**




## Dates to Diarise in Term 4





### Reminder: VTAC 2027 Upcoming Key Dates

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| **ATARs Released** | Thursday 10 December 2026 |
| **Change of Preference (CoP) closes** | Saturday 12 December 2026 |
| **December Round Offers** | Wednesday 23 December 2026 |
| **January Round One Offers** | Wednesday 13 January 2027 |
| **January Round Two Offers** | Wednesday 27 January 2027 |
| **February Offer Rounds** | Wednesday 3 February 2027 onwards |

**To view the complete list of VTAC deadlines, visit VTAC Important dates.**

**For a full list of cancelled, amended, and new courses, visit VTAC Course Updates.**

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

## University of Oxford Undergraduate Information Session

*Students keen on finding out about studying at Oxford University might like to note the following information session.*

**Dr Samina Khan, Director of Undergraduate Admissions and Outreach at the University of Oxford**, who will share insights and advice for students and parents about applying for an undergraduate degree at Oxford.

**Date:** Monday 30 November 2026
**Time:** 6.00pm – 7.30pm
**Venue:** Higgins Theatrette, Melbourne Grammar School, 355 St Kilda Road, Melbourne VIC 3004

**Event details and registration at Uni of Oxford student and parent session in Melbourne**

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## Studying the Doctor of Medicine at Deakin

Deakin is one of three universities in Victoria offering postgraduate medicine. Based at the Waurn Ponds campus, this 4-year course has a unique focus on rural and regional medicine, Indigenous Health, the development of human capabilities and service to marginalised communities.

There are three entry streams available for applicants: *General Entry Stream, Rural Training Stream,* and the *Indigenous Entry Stream.*

The first two years of the Doctor of Medicine include face-to-face learning activities at Waurn Ponds (Geelong). In years one and two, students learn in simulated clinical environments and dedicated medical sciences teaching spaces, along with small group learning sessions. Teaching activities are conducted both online and face-to-face. Students are also exposed to clinical experiences from early in the course, through placements with healthcare providers.

During years three and four students will undergo intensive clinical training within health services attached to one of Deakin's clinical schools. Students get to conduct their learning in the clinical environment, guided by experienced staff associated with the clinical schools.

**Browse Doctor of Medicine at Deakin to find out more.**

## Sports Courses on offer from 2027

- ***New* Diploma of Sports Performance and Coaching**

*Jointly delivered in 2027 by Federation University and Melbourne City Institute of Sport & Business (MCISB), this immersive, industry-embedded program bridges academic theory and professional practice.*

Based face-to-face at Melbourne City Football Club's world-class City Football Academy, students will build a foundation in *human performance and coaching, exploring areas including movement, exercise programming, sport psychology, biomechanics and athlete development*.

Enrolments for the 2027 cohort are now open via direct expressions of interest.

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| **Duration:** | 1 year full-time |
| **Starting:** | 1 March or 26 July 2027 |
| **Location:** | Melbourne City Institute of Sport & Business |

**To find out more, or to register an interest, visit Sports Performance & Coaching.**

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- **Diploma of Business and Sports Management (Higher Education)**

*Developed in partnership with Melbourne City Institute of Sport & Business, this 12-month diploma combines theory and hands-on industry training in the elite environment of the Melbourne City Football Club's state-of-the-art facility, the City Football Academy Melbourne*

This program equips students with the business acumen and industry insights needed to thrive in a dynamic sports career. Best of all, the partnership with Melbourne City Football Club means students will have an extensive range of opportunities to build their professional network and gain work experience in both business and sport.

**Find out more at Diploma of Business and Sports Management.**

## Diploma of Nursing Pathway

*Gain the essential skills and knowledge to work as an enrolled nurse in a variety of healthcare settings with our Diploma of Nursing course.*

Students learn how to implement general nursing care, assess client's health and analyse health-related information. They also learn how to administer and monitor medications and attend to the needs of a range of healthcare clients, including older clients, acute care clients and people with mental health conditions. The course assists students in developing effective communication skills and understanding how to work within the legal and ethical parameters in nursing. Students complete a minimum of 400 hours of mandatory clinical placement in a range of healthcare settings across metropolitan, regional and rural areas.

After successful completion of the ***Diploma of Nursing*** – which is currently a FREE TAFE course – students may have the option of applying to universities and being granted up to 12 months credit towards most 3-year Bachelor of Nursing qualifications.

**Find out more about the Diploma of Nursing at Diploma of Nursing at Box Hill Institute.**

## Foundation Studies at ACU

This program develops subject knowledge across key areas while preparing students for university-level study. Delivered in a supportive environment, students receive all required resources and guidance for a smooth transition to undergraduate study. The program can be completed on campus or online, and ACU covers the full cost.

Students who have a Year 12 qualification have the option to complete the program via accelerated mode (one-semester full-time) or part-time (two-semesters).

**Find out more at ACU Foundation Studies.**

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## Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Science Courses in Victoria in 2026

The Good Universities Guide states that a Pharmacist supplies, dispenses and manufactures medicines, whilst, according to the Explore Health Careers website, a Pharmaceutical Scientist spends more time in the laboratory, and are expertly trained to discover, develop, test and manufacture new medications. **Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science undergraduate degrees for school leavers offered in Victoria include:**

| UNIVERSITY | COURSE | VCE PREREQUISITES | ATAR FOR 2026 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **La Trobe University**<br>B – Bendigo Campus | Pharmacy (Honours) | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in EAL, or at least 25 in English other than EAL. | **75.05 (B)** |
| | Science (Pharmaceutical Science major) | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in EAL, or at least 20 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics. | **L/N (B)** |
| **Monash University** | Pharmacy (Honours) | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in EAL or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in Chemistry; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics. | **90.00 (P)** |
| | Pharmacy (Hons) and Master of Pharmacy | | **90.00 (P)** |
| | Pharmacy (Hons) Scholars program/Master of Pharmacy | | **98.10 (P)** |
| | Pharmaceutical Science | | **82.10 (P)** |
| | Pharmaceutical Science Advanced (Honours) | | **88.95 (P)** |
| | Pharmaceutical Science Advanced (Honours) - Scholars Program | | **98.05 (P)** |
| P – Parkville Campus<br>C – Clayton Campus | Chemical Engineering/ Pharmaceutical Science | | **87.15 (C)** |
| **RMIT University** | Pharmacy (Honours)<br><br>Pathway option: Associate Degree in Applied Science | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 27 in EAL or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in Chemistry. | **81.50 (B)** |
| | Pharmaceutical Sciences<br><br>Pathway option: Associate Degree in Applied Science | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 27 in EAL or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods, Maths: Specialist Mathematics or Physics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in Biology or Chemistry. | **70.75 (B)** |
| B – Bundoora campus<br>C/B – City/Bundoora | Chemical Engineering/ Pharmaceutical Science | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 27 in EAL or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in Chemistry. | **83.55 (C/B)** |

**Log onto VTAC to find out more about these and other similar courses. Students should note that *pharmacology* and/or *pharmaceutical science* is often offered as a major/minor in some science and biomedicine degrees. This is the case in Biomedicine at UniMelb and Science at UniMelb.**
**Note:** Monash University has been ranked fourth in the world for Pharmacy and Pharmacology, in the **QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025** list - QS World University Rankings for Pharmacy and Pharmacology | Top Universities.

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# Science Degrees in Victoria in 2026

The Bachelor of Science is offered at the following Victorian universities and students are encouraged to visit **VTAC** for more information on these and other science-related courses – particularly the **majors** on offer – as well as the numerous double degree options, and/or browse each university link provided below.

| UNIVERSITY | VCE PREREQUISITES | ATAR 2026 |
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| **DEAKIN**<br>G – Waurn Ponds campus<br>M – Melbourne campus | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL. | 60.30 (G)<br>62.05 (M) |
| **FEDERATION**<br>**Science** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any English; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of any Mathematics or any Science. | 61.40 (B)<br>66.70 (Gi)<br>L/N (Mt H) |
| **Science (Advanced)**<br>B - Berwick<br>Gi – Gippsland campus<br>Mt H – Mt Helen campus | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in any English; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in two units (any study combination) of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics or at least 30 in one of Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Physics or Psychology. | L/N (B)<br>L/N (Gi)<br>L/N (Mt H)<br><br>Min ATAR 90.00 |
| **LA TROBE**<br>B – Bendigo campus<br>M – Melbourne campus | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL; and a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics. | 57.05 (B)<br>61.65 (M) |
| **MONASH**<br>**Science** | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Maths: Mathematical Methods, Maths: Specialist Mathematics, Physics or Psychology. | 82.00 (C) |
| **Science Advanced Global** | Science Advanced – Global Challenges:<br>Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 35 in English (EAL) or at least 30 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in one of Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Maths: Mathematical Methods, Maths: Specialist Mathematics, Physics or Psychology. | N/P (C)<br>*Interview required as part of selection* |
| **Science Adv. Research**<br>C – Clayton campus<br>R.C. – Range of Criteria | Science Advanced – Research:<br>Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 35 in English (EAL) or at least 30 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in Maths: Mathematical Methods; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in two of Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Maths: Specialist Mathematics, Physics or Psychology. | 93.10 (C) |
| **RMIT**<br>C – City campus | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 27 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics. | 70.00 (C) |
| **SWINBURNE**<br>H – Hawthorn campus<br>** Professional degree | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL (professional degree) – **OR –** 25 in EAL or 20 in English (3-year degree); and a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics. | 60.00 (H)<br>75.80 H) ** |
| **UNI MELBOURNE**<br>P – Parkville campus | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; and a study score of at least 25 in one of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics; and a study score of at least 25 in one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics. **--OR--** Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; and a study score of at least 25 in both of Maths: Mathematical Methods and Maths: Specialist Mathematics. | 91.00 (P) |
| **VICTORIA**<br>FP – Footscray Park campus<br>*Not Foundation Maths | Science - Biotechnology or Ecology and Environmental Management:<br>Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics*. | N/P (FP) |

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## Snapshot of Kangan Institute in 2026

- With more than 30,000 enrolments each year, Kangan Institute is a major training provider for the *automotive, health* and *nursing sectors* and *indigenous education.*
- Kangan has a strong presence in a range of industries such as *fashion, business* as well as *justice* and *legal.*
- Kangan has five campuses which offer a wide range of courses in a variety of fields, ranging from certificates to diplomas.
- Kangan has hundreds of courses on offer, which include apprenticeships and traineeships, and a few short courses too.
- Kangan offers fashion and textile courses. The Textile and Fashion Hub at Kangan Institute offers sampling & short run manufacturing services, industry relevant training courses for designers and small businesses as well as customised industry training for manufacturers, and a series of exciting short courses.
- Kangan offers the Diploma of Justice course, as well as a Certificate IV in Legal Services course.
- Students studying at Kangan Institute will undertake their training in some of the most state-of-the-art training centres in Victoria.

  Health and Community Centre of Excellence
  Richards Restaurant
  Gunung-Willam-Balluk Learning Centre
  Automotive Centre of Excellence
  Textile & Fashion Hub
  Creative + Digital Skills Campus
  Essendon Health Hub
- Kangan Institute has also partnered with leading universities in Australia to give students guaranteed pathway options to higher education. The university pathways partners include:

  - Deakin University
  - La Trobe University
  - Victoria University




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