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| **October 2020**  **(#7) TERM 4 WEEK 4** |  |  |
| ***Your Career Website***  *Are you looking for your first job, a change in career or a return to the workforce? Your Career makes it easy to find the information you need.*  *Take your next step into learning, training, or work, with careers information tailored to your preferences.*  The [Your Career website](https://www.yourcareer.gov.au/) is a platform of the National Careers Institute. It is designed to provide clear and simple careers information and to help people of all ages and circumstances better plan and manage their career.  Students are invited to browse –   * [A - Z of Occupations](https://www.yourcareer.gov.au/occupations/) * [Get Career Ideas](https://www.yourcareer.gov.au/get-career-ideas/) * [Learning and Training](https://www.yourcareer.gov.au/learn-and-train/) * [Get Job Ready](https://www.yourcareer.gov.au/get-job-ready/) |
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***Most-Needed Jobs in Australia***

*Recently on* [*SEEK*](https://www.seek.com.au/career-advice/article/australias-most-needed-jobs?fbclid=IwAR2ilw2ehYoNoqjBz_b8TMuXRQQ0W5icrSntM_RrIxUKsUZ72vs7DywfY5U) *, an article was published regarding what the current job market has been through in 2020 – and that has impacted which industries have the most demand for new workers.*

*The huge pressure on the healthcare system and a growth in parcel delivery during COVID-19 are two key factors shaping the most-needed roles in Australia right now.*

*Below is a snapshot of the top 20 most-needed roles*

1. Nursing - All roles

2. Warehousing, Storage & Distribution

3. Aged & Disability Support

4. Automotive Trades

5. Administrative Assistants

6. Sales Representatives / Consultants

7. Physiotherapy, OT & Rehabilitation

8. Childcare & Outside School Hours Care

9. Chefs / Cooks

10. Retail Assistants

11. Developers / Programmers

12. Mining - Engineering & Maintenance

13. Labourers

14. Road Transport

15. Psychology, Counselling & Social Work

16. Dental

17. Child Welfare, Youth & Family Services

18. Plant & Machinery Operators

19. Business / Systems Analysts

20. Mining - Operations

*Students are encouraged to browse the link provided above to find out what it is employers in these industries are looking for in applications.*



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***VTAC KEY DATES***

**ATARs and Study Scores Released**

Wednesday 30 December 2020 at 7am

**Change of Preference for January Offers**

Close – Monday 4 January 2021

**Change of Preference for February Offers**

Close – Thursday 21 January 2021

**VTAC Offers 2021**

January Offer Rounds for International Students from Thursday 7 January at 2.00pm

January Offer Round for Domestic Students  
 Thursday 14 January at 2.00pm

February Offer Rounds for Domestic Students from Monday 1 February at 2.00pm

Also, students applying for courses that have extra requirements (i.e. submitting a folio, a pre-selection kit, arranging an interview, etc.) are reminded that failure to meet the deadline date for these means students may no longer be eligible for selection into their desired course.

[**www.vtac.edu.au**](http://www.vtac.edu.au)

For more details regarding important dates, and applicable fees, please refer to

[**VTAC Key Dates**](http://www.vtac.edu.au/dates.html)

To stay up to date about new and cancelled courses visit

[**VTAC Course Updates**](http://www.vtac.edu.au/courses-inst/courseupdates.html)

[](http://swinburneuniversity.createsend1.com/t/j-l-tdidlhk-wtlujuhh-r/)

**Swinburne University *MathsLink***.   
 **MathsLink** is a bridging program for students needing VCE Units 3 and 4 of Mathematical Methods to study at Swinburne.  
  
Mathematical Methods is a prerequisite for many bachelor’s degrees in ***aviation, engineering,*** and ***information and communication technology***. This bridging program is designed to help students who have not studied Mathematical Methods Units 3 and 4 as part of their VCE to meet the prerequisite for entry into their chosen course.   
  
Students should note that the prerequisite for entry into VCE Maths Link is a passing grade in VCE Units 1 & 2 Mathematical Methods OR VCE Units 3 & 4 Further Mathematics.

**MathsLink** is taught online over six weeks from Monday 4 January – Friday 12 February 2021.

**MathsLink** incurs a one-off $400 fee is payable upon enrolment in MathsLink. Should a student pass MathsLink and enrol in a relevant Swinburne degree, associate degree or UniLink diploma within 12 months of completing the MathsLink program, the $400 MathsLink fee is credited to their Swinburne Higher Education degree fees.\*

\* Note: this fee will not be refunded or reimbursed to the student under any circumstances

On successful completion of this course, students will be eligible to make a direct application to Swinburne University for entry in 2021.   
  
Applications for **MathsLink** close on Monday 4 January 2021 and must be made [**online**](https://s1.swin.edu.au/eStudent/SM/eApplications/eAppLogin.aspx?f=%24S1.EAP.CI2LOGIN.WEB&siid=sbb%7Cbau%7Ccourse%7Csbb%7C0078)**.  
   
Find out more at** [**Maths Link Bridging Program: Methods**](https://www.swinburne.edu.au/study/course/MathsLink-Bridging-Program-(Methods)-NN-VCEXT/local)

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***Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation***

*The* ***Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation*** *may be the right study choice for students with the motivation, capability, and personal attributes to be a great teacher.*

The ***Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation (Dip TEP)*** is an accredited AQF5 level qualification aimed at students who do not initially meet the minimum ATAR for teaching. The course has been developed as part of the Victorian Government’s Excellence in Teacher Education Reforms to ensure that disadvantage and diverse educational experiences are not a barrier to capable and committed people who want to pursue a career in teaching.

Successful completion of the Dip TEP will ensure that students graduate with the prerequisite knowledge and skills to undertake an undergraduate teacher education course.

The Dip TEP supports students to meet the literacy and numeracy standards they will need in order to graduate with a teaching qualification and supports them to meet the demands of study at a higher education level. The course also introduces them to contemporary issues in education and to teaching as a profession, including practical school-based placement.

**The course is offered by various institutions including** [**ACU**](https://courses.acu.edu.au/undergraduate/diploma_in_educational_studies_tertiary_preparation)**,** [**RMIT**](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/vocational-study/diplomas/c5383), [**Swinburne**](https://www.swinburne.edu.au/study/course/Diploma-of-Teacher-Education-Preparation-22451VIC/local?utm_campaign=vtac&utm_source=course_guide&utm_medium=website)**, and** [**VU Polytechnic**](https://www.vu.edu.au/courses/diploma-of-teacher-education-preparation-22451vic)

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***The Young*** ***Professionals Podcast***

Students are encouraged to subscribe to the *new* ***The Young Professionals Podcast.***  During the show the co-hosts, Luke Marriott and Nicholas Sargeant (Sarge), talk to young professionals about what they do in their day-to-day roles, how they got there and what they have learnt along the way. Recent podcasts include conversations with a *podiatrist, osteopath, civil engineer,* and more.

**Listen at** [**The Young Professionals Podcast**](https://podcasts.apple.com/au/podcast/the-young-professionals-podcast/id1533098583)

***VCE Extension Studies in 2021***

**Deakin University – Deakin Accelerate**

***Deakin Accelerate*** is a distinctive VCE higher education program that allows students to study two first-year university subjects during Year 12. Studying one subject per trimester, this selective program gives students a head-start into university studies and also provides a potential boost to their all-important ATAR score.  
Besides the challenge of taking on a university subject, this subject will also count as part of the VCE and contribute towards the ATAR as the fifth or sixth subject. There are no tuition fees for Deakin Accelerate.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at** [**Deakin Accelerate**](http://www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/study-options-and-pathways/vce)

**Federation University – Advance to University**

***Advance to University*** is an opportunity for Year 12 students to study first year university units as part of their VCE. Successful completion of these units may contribute towards the ATAR, and students get credit towards their university degree. There are no fees for Advance to University.

**Find out more, including subjects on offer, at** [**Advance to University**](https://federation.edu.au/future-students/study-at-federation/advance-to-university)

**La Trobe University - VCE Plus Program**

***VCE Plus*** is an opportunity for high achieving Year 11 VCE students to complete a pair of first-year university subjects in their Year 12 and have them recognised as part of their VCE. Students enrolled in VCE Plus choose one subject per semester. *VCE Plus* is offered at all La Trobe campuses and subjects are delivered online, face-to-face, or a combination of both*.* There are no fees associated with the VCE Plus Program.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer at** [**VCE Plus Program**](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/vce-plus)

**RMIT University – VCE Extension**

**RMIT’s *VCE Extension*** allows Year 12 students to undertake university subjects while completing their VCE. These courses are VCAA-accredited towards VCE results and students may be eligible for credit in a related RMIT program.

Students will get a taste of university life; they attend lectures and study on campus with full access to all the services and facilities enjoyed by RMIT students. ***VCE Extension*** subjects are taught at the City campus and are counted towards students VCE and provide a boost to their ATAR. RMIT charges no fees for RMIT Extension courses.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at** [**VCE Extension**](https://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/pre-university-study/rmit-extension/get-ready-to-start)

**University of Melbourne – Extension Program**

The ***Extension Program*** is an opportunity for high achieving Year 12 students to study a university subject whilst at school which counts towards their ATAR, as well as experience university life. The University of Melbourne does not charge any fees for participation in the Extension Program. However, some School Centres where an Extension subject is taught may charge a reasonable fee to cover teaching and administrative costs.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at** [**Extension Program**](https://study.unimelb.edu.au/study-with-us/programs-for-high-achievers/university-of-melbourne-extension-program)