

Welcome

Welcome to the December Careers Newsletter for 2025. This is our last Newsletter for the year. It is a good time to look back on the year and remember some of the interesting Careers events students have been involved in.

Year 12 News

Year 12's this year have completed a 1st and 3rd Term Year 12 Careers Interview in preparation for VTAC Preferences. Students will get their **ATAR results on Thursday 11th December, 2025**. Students can **change their preferences on their VTAC Applications up until 13th December, 2025**. The Careers Team will contact all Year 12 students during the Change of Preference time to see how the students are doing and if they need any help. Year 12 Students can contact the **Careers Team on 9890-9662 EXT 3 Careers** to book an appointment or talk through preferences.

Year 11 News

Year 11 Vocational Major students went on an excursion in 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 went on an excursion to the VCE Careers Expo in May, 2025. The students were able to attend sessions and ask questions about various pathways to their interests and help them explore careers. Here are some photos from the day.





Year 10 News

Year 10 students during **Pathways** experienced some wonderful guest speakers and went on some very informative excursions.

In February the students had **Tyson Day** guided students in **discussing and exploring career options**.



The Year 10 cohort all went and completed **Work Experience** from the 23rd to 27th June, 2025. It was such a good experience for students and it was great to visit them in a work environment.

During Pathways Year 10 had a visit from the **Young Workers** who presented on Worker's Rights. This was very useful as many Year 10s have part time/casual jobs.





Year 10 had a visit from **Tripod** who ran a very engaging **Interview Skills** workshop.



The Year 10's visited **Deakin University** in September.





The Year 10's also visited **Monash University**



Year 10's had a speaker from the **Butterfly Foundation** present during the last Pathways session. There were very good messages of **Positive Body Image**. Which is so good to discuss and make students aware of.

Year 10's attended the **RYDA workshop** at Box Hill Institute Lilydale Campus in October, 2025. This is Road Safety program which helps provide students with tools to become active, responsible road citizens.

Included in this newsletter:

- Information Sessions
- Job Spotlight - Speech Pathologist

Information Sessions

SAE University College Info Night in Melbourne


Organisation: SAE University College

Location: SAE University College, Melbourne Campus

Date: January 15, 2026

Just make the first move in your dream career – join us at your local SAE campus this January for Info Night!





This is your chance to get a feel for the vibe at an SAE campus. Explore our creative and technology courses, meet industry experts and chat to the campus teams about student life. You can even take a tour of our facilities and check out some of the awesome student projects on display.

[Find out more](#)

Collarts Online Information Session for Future Students

Organisation: Australian College of the Arts

Location: Online

Date: January 20, 2026

Curious about studying online at Collarts? Join our Online Info Session to discover how you can turn your creative passion into a career, from anywhere in Australia.

At this live session, you'll learn what makes Collarts' online experience different. Hear from our industry-connected teachers about how they bring real-world expertise into every class, explore flexible study options, and see how our creative community stays connected online through collaboration, mentorship, and hands-on projects.

[Find out more](#)

AIE Information Evening for Future Students, Melbourne

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Melbourne Campus

Date: January 21, 2026

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, film, 3D animation and visual effects at the AIE Information Evening.

[Find out more](#)


Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute Careers Day 2026 for Tertiary Students

Organisation: Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute

Location: Monash University, Clayton Campus

Date: January 22, 2026





AMSI Careers Day connects Australia's brightest mathematical sciences students with leading employers across a range of industry sectors including finance, technology, consulting, government, education, and beyond. Held in conjunction with AMSI Summer School, this annual event features employer presentations, industry stalls, and networking opportunities, giving students direct access to career pathways and future employers.

Registration is required.

[Find out more](#)

Workplace Spotlight

How to become a Speech Pathologist

Speech pathologists assess, diagnose, and treat people with communication and swallowing disorders, such as problems with speech, language, fluency, or eating. They work with people of all ages, from young children with developmental delays to adults recovering from strokes or managing neurological conditions, helping to improve their quality of life.

If you have a passion for helping people and are seeking a rewarding and challenging career, speech pathology could be ideal for you.


What skills do I need as a speech pathologist?

- Caring and empathetic
- Excellent communicator
- Adaptable and creative thinker
- Emotionally resilient
- Great problem-solver
- Committed to lifelong learning
- Works well in a team and independently
- Strong attention to detail

What does the job involve?

- Identifying the cause and extent of communication and swallowing issues
- Developing individualised treatment plans based on patient needs
- Providing therapy sessions to improve speech or swallowing function
- Helping patients overcome stutters and other fluency issues
- Teaching strategies and exercises to patients
- Giving advice and support to family, friends, and carers of patients



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- Relaying relevant information to other medical and health professionals
 - Keeping detailed clinical records and monitoring patient progress

What industries do speech pathologists typically work in?

- Health Care and Social Assistance
- Education and Training

What Career Cluster do speech pathologists belong to?

Most speech pathologists are [Guardians](#), using their expertise to support and care for people. The role also involves some skills from the [Informer Cluster](#), such as educating patients and family members.

What kind of lifestyle can I expect?

Speech pathologists typically work full-time, though part-time positions are common and the field offers good flexibility for work-life balance. A majority of the work is done indoors, but often requires you to be face-to-face with patients, so there is little opportunity to work remotely or from home.

Speech pathologists tend to earn above average salaries throughout their career, particularly experienced practitioners.


You can expect to find work in hospitals, rehabilitation centres, schools, private practices, aged care facilities, or community health centres. Some speech pathologists even run their own private practices or work as independent contractors. Regional areas often have strong demand for speech pathologists and may offer additional benefits or incentives.

How to become a speech pathologist

To become a speech pathologist, you must complete an accredited university degree in speech pathology, where you'll combine theoretical study with practical clinical placements. Your studies typically take anywhere between 4-6 years to complete.

After completing your studies, you'll need to register with your state or country's relevant association or board (such as [Speech Pathology Australia](#)) to practise professionally. Some positions, particularly ones involving work with children, may also require additional clearances or certifications.





You'll also need to commit to keeping your skills and knowledge up to date by engaging in continuous learning and training throughout your career.

What can I do right now to work towards this career?

If you're in high school and you'd like to find out if a career as a speech pathologist is right for you, here are a few things you could do:

- Seek work experience or volunteer opportunities with health practitioners in hospitals, schools, or private practices
- Research university courses in speech pathology to understand entry requirements and pathways
- Talk to a local speech pathologist about their work, or watch online interviews and videos about the profession

Where can I find out more?

- [Your Career](#) (Australia)
- [Tahatū Career Navigator](#) (NZ)
- [National Careers Service](#) (UK)
- [Career Outlook](#) (US)
- [Job Bank](#) (Canada)

Similar careers to speech pathologist

- Occupational Therapist
- Sonographer
- Audiologist
- Registered Nurse
- Aged Care Worker
- Music Therapist
- General Practitioner
- Social Worker

Find out more about alternative careers on [our Job Spotlights page](#).

