Career News 2019 #10

CareerNews Key Dates & Reminders

For all Students:
Melbourne Career Expo - 2019
When: 26th – 28th July
Where: Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre (Door 9).
This expo exhibits a vast array of career advice, employment opportunities, and large university and training representation. With over 150 exhibitors, this one is not to be missed.
For more details please visit:
http://www.careerexpo.com.au/attend/event-details/

For Year 9,10 and VCAL students:
Job Skills Expo
When: 30th July, 9am – 2pm.
Where: Lardner Park, 155 Burnt Store Road, Lardner (Warragul) Victoria.
This expo will have more than 100 exhibitors showcasing careers with hands on activities in areas such as bricklaying, carpentry, hospitality, health, horticulture, agriculture, beauty, retail, electrical, engineering, automotive, emergency services and more.
For more information, visit:
http://bawbawlatrobellen.com.au/programs/job-skills-expo/

For all VCE Students:
Inside Monash Seminars
When: Running until August.
To view the faculties and seminar dates visit: https://www.monash.edu/inside-monash

Monash Information Evenings
When: Running until September.
at various locations across Victoria. Visit: https://www.monash.edu/information-evenings

VTAC Information Night
Learn more about the VTAC application process, timelines, SEAS, scholarships and the VTAC offer system.
Tertiary providers will be there to assist students and parents from 6.00 pm to 6.45 pm.
When: July 30th
Where: Rosanove Auditorium, St Margaret's School, 27-47 Gloucester Avenue, Berwick. (Enter from St Margaret's Place).
Time: 7.00 pm
Please register your attendance with Bev Dawes at St Margaret's School:
dawesb@stmargarets.vic.edu.au

For all VCE Students:
UCAT Testing Reminder
Testing has commenced and ends on the 31st of July. Make sure you're aware of your preferred course's entry requirements.

Important VCAT Course Deadlines - 2019
Here are VCAT deadlines for your diary:
Applications for courses commencing in 2020:
Open – Monday 5th August at 9am.
Close – Monday 30th September at 5pm.

SEAS Applications
Open - Monday 5th August.

Scholarship Applications
Open – Monday 5th August.

News & Updates

We hope you had an enjoyable and restful mid-year break and wish you all the best for a productive term 3.

You will notice that the open day schedule has been included in the last few newsletters to ensure you are aware of your preferred institution's up and coming open days.

These events are a fantastic opportunity for students to get a feel for the culture, resources, staff, societies and courses offered.

To help make your tours less overwhelming, it is recommended that you have an plan of what you intend to see, do and explore on campus. Here are a few tips to get started!

1. Firstly, if you haven't already, research your areas of interest and the courses available (including entry requirements) to create your open day shortlist. (Visit: https://www.vtac.edu.au)
2. Register for each day you wish to attend. This will ensure you are aware of when all information sessions are being held and that you will be updated of any changes beforehand.
3. Get an 'Open Day Guide' from the institution's website before you attend their open day.
4. Plan your day. Allow sufficient time for your visit, two hours or so is advisable to explore the campus and talk with current students.
5. Tour nearby accomodation if you are planning to move closer to campus.
6. Finally when you're finished, review your options!

Remember:

If you're short on time during your open day visits, prioritise the parts of campus and the buildings or facilities you'll be most likely to use.

Also consider a rural campus, ATAR's are often lower at rural campuses and they can offer other advantages (eg smaller classes). Goodluck and have fun!

ACU Update

Community Achiever's Program (CAP)

ACU has just announced their minimum ATAR requirements for 2020 entry for their Community Achiever Program (CAP).

The Community Achiever Program (CAP), formerly named the Early Achievers' Program (EAP), offers future students who are active in their community, early entry to their undergraduate course of choice. It also provides opportunities to enhance leadership and volunteering skills.

If you're successful in applying for the CAP, you could receive an offer to study at ACU as early as August!

To learn more, visit:

https://www.acu.edu.au/study-at-acu/admission-pathways/i-volunteer-regularly

Deakin University Update

Faculty of Health – Information Sessions in July

Health Sciences Course Information Session
When: 31st July, 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Where: Waterfront campus
Register here:
https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/deakin-health-sciences-course-information-session-registration-56077015864

Deakin Nursing and Midwifery Course Information Session
When: Wed 7th August, 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Where: Warnambool campus
Register here:
https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/deakin-nursing-and-midwifery-course-information-session-registration-56078443133

Macleay College Update

New course – Diploma of Digital and Social Media Marketing

Macleay College has campuses in Melbourne and Sydney and offer courses in; Advertising and Digital Media, Business, Marketing, Journalism and Accounting. They are now adding a fully accredited 8-unit course in Digital and Social Media Marketing to their list which runs over 7 months. This course is designed to take students from beginner to expert in this rapidly evolving digital industry.

If this is of interest to you please contact jforde@macleay.edu.au or 0475 754 090.

Swinburne Update

New course – Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology

This double degree is ideal for those who want to specialise in criminal prosecution, criminal defence or government policy development. To find out more, visit and/or enquire further at Swinburne's open day.

https://www.swinburne.edu.au/study/course/Bachelor-of-Laws-Bachelor-of-Criminal-Justice-and-Criminology/?c=noread

University of Melbourne Update

'Cyber Security' study options at UOM

The cyber security courses offered at UOM have been approved by and partnered with the Federal Government. This partnership ensures that UOM is actively informed about the future of cybersecurity in Australia.

There are two areas students can pursue after completion of their undergraduate degree, the technical world with the Master of Information Technology (MIT) or focus on business, policy and governance with the Master of Information Systems (MIS).

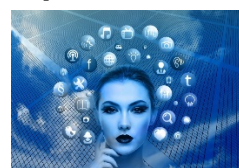To read more on these specialist areas follow the following links:

MIT -
https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/master-of-information-technology/

MIS –
https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/master-of-information-systems/

Victoria University Update

Vet Discovery Day

You can explore the VET courses on offer and the associated career opportunities at the VU Polytechnic VET discovery day. You will gain some insight into the range of VET courses offered, including areas in health, trades, beauty, hospitality, technology and more.

www.vupolytechnic.edu.au/vet-schools

For more information and to register, go to:

www.vupolytechnic.edu.au/events/vet-discovery-day

Open Days 2019

INSTITUTION	DATE	TIME	CONTACT DETAILS
Australian Catholic University			1300 ASK ACU
Melbourne Campus	Sun 11 Aug	10am – 3pm	Email: https://www.acu.edu.au/student-life/experience-uni-before-you-start/open-day
Ballarat Campus	Sun 25 Aug	10am – 2pm	
Box Hill Institute of TAFE			1300 269 445
Box Hill Campus	Sun 25 Aug	10am – 3pm	www.boxhill.edu.au/openday
Lilydale Campus	Sun 15 Sep	10am – 3pm	
Chisholm Institute			1300 244 746
Dandenong	Mon 16 Dec	5pm - 7pm	https://www.chisholm.edu.au/open
Deakin College			
Geelong Campus (Waurn Ponds & Waterfront)	Sun 18 Aug	9am – 3pm	1800 334 733
Melbourne (Burwood) Campus	Sun 25 Aug	9am – 3pm	http://openday.deakin.edu.au/
Deakin University			
Geelong Campus (Waurn Ponds & Waterfront)	Sun 18 Aug	9am – 3pm	
Melbourne Burwood	Sun 25 Aug	9am – 3pm	
Warnambool	Sun 4 Aug	10am – 2pm	
Federation University of Australia			1800 333 864
			https://federation.edu.au/openday
JMC Academy	Sat 24 Aug		1300 410 311
			https://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days
La Trobe College			1300 135 045
Melbourne (Bundoora)	Sun 4 Aug		https://www.latrobecollegeaustralia.edu.au/
La Trobe University			
Shepparton Campus	Fri 2 Aug	3pm - 7pm	https://www.latrobe.edu.au/openday
Melbourne (Bundoora) Campus	Sun 4 Aug	10am - 4pm	
Albury-Wodonga	Sun 18 Aug	10am - 2pm	
Mildura Campus	Sun 14 Aug	4pm - 7pm	
Bendigo Campus	Sun 25 Aug	10am - 3pm	
Macleay College (Collins Street Melb)	Sun 11th Aug	9.30am –1pm	https://www.macleay.edu.au/openday-melbourne
Melbourne Polytechnic			9269 1200
Preston Campus	Sun 18 Aug	10am – 3pm	https://www.melbournepolytechnic.edu.au/open-day
MIT (Melbourne Institute of Technology)	Sat 17th Aug	10am – 2pm	http://mit.edu.au/open-day
Monash University			1800 666 274
Peninsula Campus	Sat 3 Aug	10am – 3pm	https://www.monash.edu/open-day
Clayton & Caulfield Campuses	Sun 4 Aug	10am – 4pm	
Parkville Campus	Sun 18 Aug	10am – 3pm	
RMIT			9925 2260
Bundoora	Sun 4 Aug	10am – 4pm	https://openday.rmit.edu.au/
City & Brunswick Campuses	Sun 11 Aug	10am – 4pm	
Swinburne University			1300 SWINBURNE
Hawthorn	Sun 28 July	10am – 4pm	https://www.swinburne.edu.au/
University of Melbourne			1800 801 662
Parkville	Sun 18 Aug	10am – 4pm	https://openday.unimelb.edu.au/
Dookie	Sun 22 Sep	10am – 4pm	
Werribee	Sun 20 Oct	10am – 4pm	
Victoria University			1300 171 755 https://openday.vu.edu.au/
William Angliss Institute of TAFE (City)	Sat 3 Aug	10am – 3pm	1300 ANGLISS
			http://www.angliss.edu.au
SAE Creative Media Institute	Sun 11 Aug	10am – 2pm	https://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events
Collarts	Sat 31st Aug	10am – 3pm	https://www.collarts.edu.au/open-day

Career Focus –
Graphic Designer

Graphic Designers produce visual communications, including art and layouts of text for reproduction in print and electronic media such as magazines, newspapers, books and websites, as well as image designs for corporate identity programmes, exhibitions and advertising. Graphic designers may specialise in a number of fields including; brand and identity strategy, digital and web-based design, television, film and computer graphics, set and exhibition design, corporate design, book and magazine design, and advertising and illustration. They may progress to positions such as design directors, art directors or creative directors. The Australian Government projects that graphic designers, web designers and illustrators will see a 12.6% increase in employment opportunities within the next 5 years*.

Graphic designers:
- Talk to clients to get a clear understanding of their visual communication requirements and develop 'roughs' (sketches).
- Prepare comprehensive layouts of the design using techniques such as photography, illustration and computer-generated imagery.
- Identify communication problems and develop visual solutions.
- Present and propose designs to clients for approval.
- Prepare designs for print or digital publication and signage.
- Design and set up exhibitions for advertising or educational purposes.
- Supervise all design production stages, including arranging and supervising printing.

Graphic designers may work as members of a design team in design studios or advertising agencies, or alone undertaking consultancy or freelance work.

To be an advertising graphic designer, it is helpful to:
- Be creative and imaginative.
- Understand colour and form.
- Be able to work under pressure and meet deadlines.
- Have good communication skills.
- Have good marketing abilities.
- Be able to work as part of a team.

To become a graphic designer, you usually have to complete a VET qualification. Applicants may be required to attend an interview and/or submit a folio of work. As subjects and prerequisites can vary between institutions, you should contact your chosen institution for more information.

Entry into this occupation may be improved if you have a degree in graphic design or a related area such as digital media or visual communication design. To get into these courses, you usually need to gain your Senior Secondary Certificate of Education. Prerequisite subjects, or assumed knowledge, in one or more of English and a visual arts or design subject are normally required. Applicants may also be required to attend an interview and/or submit a folio of work.

Below is a list of the courses and tertiary study options in Victoria:

Certificate's, Diploma's & Advanced Diploma's				
Institution	**Campus**	**Course**	**Duration**	**ATAR**
Box Hill Institute	Box Hill	Advanced Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
Chisholm Institute	Dandenong	Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
CQ University	Online	Diploma of Digital Media	1 Year	NA
Federation University	Ballarat	Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
		Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
		Advanced Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
	Mount Helen (Ballarat)	Certificate IV in Digital Media Technologies (VET)	1 Year	NA
		Diploma of Digital Media Technologies (VET)	1 Year	NA
Holmesglen Institute	Chadstone	Certificate IV in Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
JMC Academy	Melbourne	Diploma of Design (Visual Communication)	8 mths	NA
Latrobe College of Art and Design	Collingwood	Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
Melbourne Polytechnic	Fairfield	Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
		Advanced Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
	Collingwood	Certificate IV in Screen and Media (VET)	1 Year	NA
		Advanced Diploma of Screen and Media (VET)	2 Year	NA
RMIT University	Brunswick	Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
	City	Diploma of Digital Media Technologies (VET)	1 Year	NA
		Advanced Diploma of Screen and Media (Interactive Media) (VET)	1 Year	NA
Swinburne University of Technology	Hawthorn	Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1.5 Years	NA
SAE Creative Media Insitute	Melbourne	Diploma of Graphic Design	7 mths	NA
Torrens University	Melbourne & Online	Diploma of Graphic Design	1 Year	NA
Victoria University	Footscray	Diploma of Graphic Design (VET)	1 Year	NA
Tertiary – Bachelor (Undergraduate) Degrees				
Institution	**Campus**	**Course**	**Duration**	**ATAR**
CQ University	Online	Bachelor of Digital Media	3 Years	NA
Deakin University	Cloud, Geelong, Burwood.	Bachelor of Communication (Digital Media)	3 years	62.65
	Geelong, Burwood.	Bachelor of Design (Visual Communication)	3 Years	52.50
JMC Academy	Melbourne	Bachelor of Design (Visual Communication)	2 Years	NA
LCI Melbourne	Melbourne	Bachelor of Design Arts (Graphic & Digital Design)	2 Years	60.00
Macleay College	City	Bachelor of Digital Media	2 Years	NA
RMIT University	City	Bachelor of Design (Digital Media)	3 Years	70.55
SAE Creative Media Institute	Melbourne	Bachelor of Animation (Character Animation, 3D Modelling or Visual Effects)	2 Years	NA
		Bachelor of Design (Graphic Design)	2 Years	NA
Torrens University Australia	Melbourne	Bachelor of Digital Media (3D Design and Animation)	3 Years	NA

Note: * NA – Not applicable or under 5 offers were previously made, ATAR is based on the lowest selection rank with adjustment factors. (As subjects, course structures and requirements can vary between institutions, it is necessary to contact your chosen institution for further information).

Sources: http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/EmploymentProjections, VTAC, Good Universities Guide.