

Weekly Careers News for Victoria

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Events

This Week's Events

Futures Day 2025

Melbourne Navy Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Melbourne ADF Careers Centre

Date: April 1, 2025

The Navy offers a multitude of career opportunities in trades, hospitality, logistics, aviation, healthcare, engineering and much more.

Find out about serving, living and learning in the Navy by joining us for an info session. Speak with current serving members about their own experiences and advice and discover how the Navy can shape your career.

[Find out more and register](#)

Monash Information Evening – Warrnambool

Organisation: Monash University

Location: Lighthouse Theatre, Warrnambool

Date: April 2, 2025

We know that choosing a university is a big decision. Monash Information Evenings are the perfect opportunity to have your questions answered on everything you wanted to know about undergraduate study at Monash.

You'll hear about:

- our ten diverse study and discipline areas
- undergraduate course types, such as our comprehensive and specialist courses, double degrees and pathway programs
- international opportunities, including study abroad and overseas tours
- how to apply – everything you need to know about VTAC, key dates and deadlines
- scholarships and fees
- SEAS and the Monash Guarantee
- accommodation options, both on and off-campus.

[Find out more and register](#)

Chisholm Campus Tours – Frankston

Organisation: Chisholm Institute

Location: Chisholm Frankston Campus

Date: April 3, 2025

Join us for a campus tour and walk through our facilities. You'll be guided by a Chisholm representative who'll be able to answer your questions about campus life and our courses.

Register for a campus tour so you can:

- See our facilities
- Learn about our range of courses and the career pathways available
- Find out if a course at Chisholm is right for you

[Find out more and register](#)

Chisholm Campus Tours – Berwick

Organisation: Chisholm Institute

Location: Chisholm Berwick Campus

Date: April 3, 2025

Join us for a campus tour and walk through our facilities. You'll be guided by a Chisholm representative who'll be able to answer your questions about campus life and our courses. Register for a campus tour so you can:

- See our facilities
- Learn about our range of courses and the career pathways available
- Find out if a course at Chisholm is right for you

[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](#)

Animal Studies Online Information Session

Organisation: Melbourne Polytechnic

Location: Online

Date: April 7, 2025

Choosing a brand-new career path, knowing where to upgrade your skills or how to start doesn't need to be a decision you make alone.

Hosted by teachers who can answer questions and offer advice on your chosen field, our information sessions help you make an informed decision around your study and career options.

Find out more about the following course(s):

- Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing
- Certificate II in Animal Care
- Certificate III in Animal Care Services

[Find out more and register](#)

A day in the life of a medical student

Organisation: Deakin University

Location: Various

Date: April 7 to August 6, 2025

'A day in the life of a medical student' is an opportunity for Year 11 and Year 12 students who live in the South West and Grampians/Wimmera regions and have an interest in medicine to experience what it is like to study at Deakin.

The events take place at Deakin's Clinical Schools in Warrnambool and Ballarat and the Regional Clinical Schools in Colac, Horsham and Hamilton. Academics and current students will be available to answer all your questions.

Warrnambool

Year 11: 18 June and 25 June 2025

Year 12: 7 April 2025

Ballarat

Year 11: 6 August 2025

Year 12: 12 July 2025

Colac

Year 11 & 12: 10 April 2025

Horsham

Year 11 & 12: 1 May 2025

Hamilton

Year 11 & 12: 29 May 2025

[Find out more and register](#)

April School Holiday Campus Tours

Organisation: RMIT University

Location: RMIT Bundoora, City & Brunswick Campuses

Date: April 7 to April 11, 2025

The upcoming April school holiday campus tours are your chance to explore our campuses and get a feel for what RMIT life is really like.

The tours will run for a week during the April school holidays and will cover our three Melbourne campuses, including our iconic Melbourne City campus, the hands-on spaces at our Brunswick campus, and the high-tech marvels of the Bundoora campus.

You're sure to have questions about RMIT's facilities and courses, and this is the perfect time to find answers. After the tours you'll have a chance to speak to our staff and students about everything RMIT.

But that's not all - there will also be a raffle on each day, which could score your choice of RMIT merch. To enter, all you need to do is attend one of the tours.

[Find out more and register](#)

Bendigo Campus Talk & Tours

Organisation: La Trobe University

Location: La Trobe Bendigo Campus

Date: April 7 to April 10, 2025

Have a course on your mind? Join us at one of our many talk and tour sessions between Monday 7 April to Thursday 10 April. This is your chance to meet a course expert and find out what it's like to study with La Trobe. Ask questions, get a taste of uni, and feel ready to start your dream course. You'll meet our student ambassadors and take a tour of the Bendigo campus, check out the facilities and get a feel for our on-campus accommodation.

[Find out more and register](#)

Next Week's Events

A Day in the Life of a Swinburne Student

Organisation: Swinburne University of Technology

Location: Swinburne Hawthorn Campus

Date: April 8 to April 10, 2025

Keen to experience a regular day on campus? Curious to know exactly what your dream course involves? Not sure which study path is right for you? Come along to our Hawthorn campus for a sneak peek at what comes after high school.

You'll chat with current Swinburne students and academics, explore the Hawthorn campus, and work with other students in hands-on workshops. There's no better way to explore different study areas and feel prepared for your future studies.

Whether you're interested in fashion design or biomedical science, each day covers different study areas so you can get a firsthand glimpse of what your uni experience might be like – based on what you're interested in studying.

[Find out more and register](#)

Walk and Talk Tours – Berwick Campus

Organisation: Federation University

Location: Fed Uni Berwick Campus

Date: April 8 to April 10, 2025

Discover the Berwick campus and learn more about life at Federation University on a 30-minute guided tour with one of our current students.

Dates

Tuesday 8 April: 9:30am - 1pm

Thursday 10 April: 3pm - 6pm

[Find out more and register](#)

Walk and Talk Tours – Gippsland Campus

Organisation: Federation University

Location: Fed Uni Gippsland Campus

Date: April 8 to April 10, 2025

Discover the Gippsland campus and learn more about life at Federation University on a 30-minute guided tour with one of our current students.

Dates

Tuesday 8 April: 9:30am - 1pm

Thursday 10 April: 3pm - 6pm

[Find out more and register](#)

Walk and Talk Tours – Mt Helen (Ballarat) Campus

Organisation: Federation University

Location: Fed Uni Mt Helen (Ballarat) Campus

Date: April 8 to April 10, 2025

Discover the Mt Helen (Ballarat) campus and learn more about life at Federation University on a 30-minute guided tour with one of our current students.

Dates

Tuesday 8 April: 9:30am - 1pm

Thursday 10 April: 3pm - 6pm

[Find out more and register](#)

Melbourne Aviation Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Melbourne ADF Careers Centre

Date: April 8, 2025

Navy, Army and Air Force Pilots are just the tip of the aviation iceberg.

Join one of the most dynamic teams that includes Pilots, Ground Support Crew, Engineers and Technicians that keep our technologically advanced aircraft safe and airworthy.

Join us for an info session to learn about Aviation careers and opportunities in the Australian Defence Force.

[Find out more and register](#)

PrimeSCI! April School Holiday Science Workshops – Wantirna

Organisation: Swinburne University of Technology

Location: Swinburne Hawthorn Campus

Date: April 8 to April 10, 2025

Attention Junior Scientists! Get ready for three days filled with hands-on holiday science for curious kids from Kinder to Year 8.

The PrimeSCI! Team is excited to offer workshops covering Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Earth and Space Sciences!

[Find out more and register](#)

PrimeSCI! April Holiday Workshops – ANSTO Synchrotron

Organisation: Swinburne University of Technology

Location: ANSTO Australian Synchrotron

Date: April 8 to April 9, 2025

The PrimeSCI! Team is excited to welcome students from Year 9 - 12 to the Australian Synchrotron! Learn how the Australian Synchrotron combines science and technology to produce cutting edge research.

Includes a hands-on lab session plus a tour of the facility. Use specialised equipment to learn about the interaction of light and energy, nuclear physics, radioactivity and dark matter.

[Find out more and register](#)

April Campus Tours

Organisation: Deakin University

Location: Deakin Melbourne, Geelong & Warrnambool Campuses

Date: April 8 to April 16, 2025

Join our guided campus tours at Deakin University this April school holidays. Explore our world-class facilities, discover the vibrant on-campus accommodation, engage with current students and get your questions answered at the course information expo. This is your chance to explore, connect and envision your future at Deakin!

Melbourne Burwood

Tuesday 8 April

Monday 14 April

Geelong Warrnambool

Thursday 10 April

Wednesday 16 April

Geelong Waterfront

Tuesday 15 April

Warrnambool

Monday 14 April

[Find out more and register](#)

Cookery, Hospitality, Tourism & Event Management Information Session

Organisation: Victoria University

Location: VU Footscray Nicholson Campus

Date: April 9, 2025

Start your career in hospitality, cookery, tourism and events. Prepare to join one of the world's largest and most dynamic industries. Learn from expert teachers with the latest professional knowledge, and put theory into practice in our modern facilities.

The session will cover:

- the course structure and information
- industry connections
- placement opportunities

- pathways to further study
- facilities for your study, including a tour.

[Find out more and register](#)

Melbourne Defence Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Melbourne ADF Careers Centre

Date: April 10, 2025

Consider a career like no other and represent Australia with pride in the Navy, Army or Air Force. Speak with current serving personnel at our upcoming info session and ask your questions - is a career in the Australian Defence Force for you?

[Find out more and register](#)

Discover ACU Ballarat: Arts and Humanities, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Teaching

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: ACU Ballarat Campus

Date: April 10, 2025

Are you a current secondary student in year 10, 11 or 12?

Experience university life firsthand at the 2025 Discover ACU. This free event, tailored to your specific study interests, offers an in-depth look at what it is like to be a university student.

You'll have the choice of one of the following workshops:

- Arts and Humanities
- Occupational Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Teaching

[Find out more and register](#)

UOW Information Evening – Shepparton

Organisation: University of Wollongong

Location: Shepparton Golf Club

Date: 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.

[Find out more and register](#)

Discover Business: A World of Possibilities

Organisation: Monash University

Location: Monash Caulfield Campus

Date: April 11, 2025

Discover everything you need to know about undergraduate study options at Monash Business School!

This session will cover the range of single and double degrees available - including the new Bachelor of Digital Business - and provide an overview of all the student opportunities including industry experience, international study programs, and graduate development initiatives.

Hear from our staff and a current student about the future careers of business graduates, and where a Monash Business School degree can take you globally.

[Find out more and register](#)

Discover ACU Ballarat: Nursing and Paramedicine

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: ACU Ballarat Campus

Date: April 11, 2025

Are you ready to explore a career that makes a real difference and saves lives? Discover what it's like to study nursing or paramedicine at ACU Ballarat.

At this event, you'll take part in hands-on workshops to experience the practical skills required in these fields and hear firsthand from current students about their life-changing experiences. 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 graduates highly sought after by employers.

[Find out more and register](#)

Digital Art – Holiday Workshop at CDW Studios – Melbourne & Online

Organisation: CDW Studios

Location: CDW Studios South Bank & Online

Date: April 14, 2025

Join our free holiday workshop and learn from top artists as they introduce you to visual effects and entertainment design!

Participants will get an introductory insight to the industry whilst learning techniques that they can apply straight away! Perfect for beginners who wish to learn more as well as more experienced artists who want to push their work to the next level. These courses are a fantastic starting point for those who are curious about venturing into the competitive world of visual effects and entertainment design.

This workshop is aimed at students 14 and above with a passion for drawing.

[Find out more and register](#)

Holiday Workshop – Music Theatre, Melbourne

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Melbourne Campus

Date: April 14 to April 15, 2025

AIM's holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in Music Theatre. Created for students in Years 9-12, the two-day Music Theatre workshops provide incredible opportunities to experience performing and being mentored by AIM's own accomplished industry professionals.

[Find out more and register](#)

Future Events

Holiday Workshop – Performance & Songwriting, Melbourne

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Melbourne Campus

Date: April 16 to April 17, 2025

AIM's school holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in music performance and songwriting. Created for students in Years 9-12, the two-day music

workshops provide opportunities to experience playing, writing, and performing music, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

[Find out more and register](#)

Swinburne Innovation in Action

Organisation: Swinburne University of Technology

Location: Swinburne Hawthorn Campus

Date: April 17, 2025

The Swinburne Innovation in Action school holiday program is a 1-day program based at our Hawthorn campus where Year 10 - 12 students are given the knowledge and tools they need to come up with brilliant new ideas to solve real-world problems.

In this free program, you will:

- Visit the Hawthorn Campus of Swinburne University of Technology and identify a problem you'd like to solve, framed by the UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Work together with your peers to build a prototype solution for your chosen problem
- Level up your learning through hands-on, interactive workshops that focus on teamwork, design thinking, problem solving and communication
- Have fun!

[Find out more and register](#)

VCE and Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses

Location: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

Date: May 1 to May 3, 2025

The VCE and Careers Expo 2025 features over 120 exhibitors, seminars on VCE subjects, career, employment and study advice.

On Thursday and Friday, students can attend seminars on subjects including English, Maths, Biology, Business Management, Psychology, Health and Human Development, plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through VTAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

[Find out more and register](#)

A day in the life of an optometry student

Organisation: Deakin University

Location: Deakin Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus

Date: May 7, 2025

'A day in the life of an optometry student' is an opportunity for Year 11 students living in the South West and Grampians/Wimmera regions with an interest in optometry to experience what it is like to study at Deakin.

The day will include hands-on practical activities as well as the chance to learn more about pathways, entry requirements and career options.

Academics and current students will be available to answer all your questions.

[Find out more and register](#)

May 2025 Open Day, Melbourne

Organisation: JMC Academy

Location: JMC Melbourne Campus

Date: May 10, 2025

This is your chance to see our multi-million dollar world-class facilities.

- Explore your creative future and learn about our courses
- Meet our current students and industry expert lecturers

- Check out live student performances
- Tour our world-class facilities and tech
- Speak to us about the admissions process
- Get hands-on with our interactive activations

[Find out more and register](#)

Victorian Careers Show 2025

Organisation: Resources for Courses

Location: Melbourne Showgrounds

Date: May 14 to May 16, 2025

The Victorian Careers Show 2025 features over 90 exhibitors, seminars on VCE subjects, career, employment and study advice.

Students, teachers and parents can attend seminars on subjects including English, Maths, Biology, Business Management, Psychology, Health and Human Development, plus presentations on subject selection for Year 10 students, information on applying through VTAC and the ATAR. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

[Find out more and register](#)

Open House 2025

Organisation: University of Melbourne

Location: UniMelb Parkville Campus

Date: May 17, 2025

Register to tour the University of Melbourne's ten Residential Colleges and visit the University during Open House on Saturday 17 May 2025. Each College has its own unique community spirit to explore and offers a supportive environment that will help you to make lifelong friends, build lasting connections, further your academic pursuits and experience unique opportunities. During our Open House you will have an opportunity to:

- explore and tour our Residential Colleges
- hear from current residential students
- meet our academic and pastoral care staff
- learn more about our generous scholarship programs and College application process
- discover the best of Residential College social, cultural, sporting and leadership opportunities.

[Find out more and register](#)

Monash Information Evening – Traralgon

Organisation: Monash University

Location: Monash Rural Health (Latrobe Regional Hospital)

Date: May 20, 2025

We know that choosing a university is a big decision. Monash Information Evenings are the perfect opportunity to have your questions answered on everything you wanted to know about undergraduate study at Monash.

You'll hear about:

- our ten diverse study and discipline areas
- undergraduate course types, such as our comprehensive and specialist courses, double degrees and pathway programs
- international opportunities, including study abroad and overseas tours
- how to apply – everything you need to know about VTAC, key dates and deadlines
- scholarships and fees
- SEAS and the Monash Guarantee
- accommodation options, both on and off-campus.

[Find out more and register](#)

Year 12 & Beyond – With ADHD

Organisation: Claire Pech Careers

Location: Online

Date: May 21 to May 29, 2025

Hosted by Claire Pech, CICA-Accredited Careers Practitioner, and Amanda Krulis, endorsed Organisational Psychologist.

Targeted to parents of students with ADHD in Year 12, this webinar will share insights and practical solutions for managing this critical year and beyond and making meaningful career decisions.

Topics covered:

- Understanding the characteristics of ADHD, debunking unhelpful myths
- Exploring the similarities & differences between ADHD at School vs. Tertiary
- Considerations for choosing further studies after Year 12
- Evaluating potential action plans & pathway options
- Understanding what adjustments/supports are available after 12 Year
- Creating insight & self-awareness around current ADHD status
- Essentials of Executive Functions, impact & creating a tailored toolkit for success
- Identifying & harnessing ADHD strengths
- Managing technology with ADHD
- Career planning with ADHD
- Strategies for parents to support their kids
- Q&A

Webinar dates

Wednesday 21 May, 7.00pm - 8:30pm AEST

Thursday 29 May, 7.00pm - 8:30pm AEST

[Find out more and register](#)

BiG Day In, Melbourne

Organisation: ACS Foundation

Location: The Capitol, RMIT University

Date: May 22, 2025

Join us at the Capitol Theatre on Thursday 22 May for the 2025 BiG Day In Melbourne. Hear from organisations including Wisetech Global, Westpac, Adobe & more about where a STEM career can take you.

[Find out more and register](#)

Open Day, Melbourne

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: AIE Melbourne 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](#)

A day in the life of a medical imaging student

Organisation: Deakin University

Location: Deakin Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus

Date: May 27, 2025

'A day in the life of a medical imaging student' is an opportunity for Year 11 students who live in the South West and Grampians/Wimmera regions and have an interest in medical imaging to experience what it is like to study at Deakin.

The day will include hands-on practical activities as well as the chance to learn more about pathways, entry requirements and career options.

Academics and current students will be available to answer all your questions.

[Find out more and register](#)

Tourism Insights Melbourne 2025

Organisation: The Hotel School Australia

Location: Melbourne Cricket Ground

Date: May 31, 2025

An exclusive event for Year 12 students to explore the Melbourne Cricket Ground, a leading tourism venue, to discover exciting career opportunities in the tourism industry.

This immersive experience includes a behind-the-scenes tour of the MCG, an interactive tourism workshop with a completion certificate, and insights from industry experts. You'll also have the chance to network with industry leaders, connect with current THS students, and get your questions answered by the THS team. Plus, enjoy a complimentary morning tea and lunch while engaging with like-minded peers.

[Find out more and register](#)

Forensic Detective Program

Organisation: Deakin University

Location: Deakin Melbourne Campus

Date: June 2 to June 6, 2025

Year 9 and 10 students participate in an interactive 3-hour workshop in our science laboratories, giving students the chance to work in a real-life setting. Activities completed by students are related to entomology, fingerprinting, pollen, hair and fibre analysis, as well as chemistry, blood and DNA analysis. Includes a visit to our Crime Scene House facility.

The activity is designed for school groups of 5 to 25 students. **Applications for the program should be made by teachers, not individual students.**

[Find out more and register](#)

Trade & Tech Fit Career Expo

Organisation: Victorian Government

Location: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

Date: June 3 to June 4, 2025

Trade & Tech Fit is Victoria's largest hands-on career expo dedicated to connecting female and gender diverse secondary students with trade and technology industries.

The expo includes more than 100 exhibitors from a huge range of industries, including:

- building, construction & engineering
- refrigeration, electrical & plumbing
- automotive, marine, aviation & aerospace
- solar & wind clean energy
- foundry and mining

- transport and logistics
- agriculture & horticulture
- gaming, cloud & robotics
- civil assets management & infrastructure
- defence, essential services & fire protection.

[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](#)

Careers for Young Women in Sport Forum

Organisation: Victoria University

Location: VU Footscray Park Campus

Date: June 13, 2025

VU is committed to empowering young women in sport. This free event is for girls in Year 10–12 who are passionate about a career in sport.

Hear from keynote speaker Laura Kane, AFL Executive General Manager of Football and the first woman to hold this role in the game's history.

Listen to a panel featuring:

- Dr Susan Alberti AC – Advocate for women in sport, AFLW pioneer
- Casey Price – VU Alumni, GM Suncorp Super Netball League & Events
- Current VU Student – Sharing their experience preparing for a career in the sports industry

Participate in a range of masterclasses covering:

- Sport Performance & Rehabilitation
- Sport Management & Business

[Find out more and register](#)

Open Day 2025, Melbourne

Organisation: Australian Institute of Music

Location: AIM Melbourne Campus

Date: June 28, 2025

Join us for Open Day, and experience everything AIM has to offer!

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](#)

Discover ACU Melbourne: Allied Health, Biomedical Science and Sports Science

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: ACU Melbourne Campus

Date: July 8, 2025

Take part in hands-on workshops, tour our facilities and hear from current students about what it's like to study allied health, biomedical science and sports science at ACU Melbourne.

Plus, tour our facilities, and chat with current students and staff.

[Find out more and register](#)

Business Explorer 2025

Organisation: Monash University

Location: Monash Caulfield Campus

Date: July 8 to July 17, 2025

Business Explorer, held on 8 and 17 July 2025, gives you hands-on experience in the world of business. Through interactive games, quizzes and case studies, you get to discover the world of start-ups, brands, stock markets and more!

Each of the days will run in the same way and feature the same great sessions – offering you the choice to pick the day that suits you best!

You have the option to choose three taster sessions in accounting, banking and finance, economics, analytics, entrepreneurship, management, and marketing to experience on the day.

Places are strictly limited to senior students studying IB or VCE Units 1 - 4 students only and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applications close on 23 June 2025.

[Find out more and register](#)

Scholarships

CoLab Industry Scholarship

Organisation: Bond University

Location: Australia

Value: 25% tuition fee waiver

Open Date: May 1, 2025

Close Date: August 28, 2025

[Find out more](#)

Competitions

Anzac Day Schools' Awards

Organisation: Department of Veterans' Affairs

Location: Australia

Value: Up to \$5,000

Open Date: October 1, 2024

Close Date: May 29, 2025

[Find out more](#)

Plan Your Own Enterprise Competition 2025

Organisation: Business Educators Australasia Inc.

Location: Australia

Value: Up to \$1,500

Open Date: March 10, 2025

Close Date: September 12, 2025

[Find out more](#)

Weekly Posts

Money

[How should I spend my scholarship money?](#)

Once you've overcome the hurdles of applying for and receiving a scholarship, the next step is deciding what to spend the money on. If this is your first foray into financial freedom, the temptation can be nearly overwhelming. Late night Uber Eats spree? Update your wardrobe for the new semester? Plus there's that phone upgrade you've had your eye on for a while...

Sadly, we have some bad news: there are definitely more important things you should spend the cash on. After all, the reason you applied in the first place was to help with the costs of your education, right? Let's take a look at some of the best ways to spend your scholarship money.

Before you spend a cent...

First things first: make sure you read the scholarship's terms and conditions very carefully. Some scholarships will have specific rules about what you must spend the money on. If your scholarship has strict requirements, *don't* try and spend it on something else – you'll just end up in a world of trouble.

Wise ways to spend your scholarship money

Free to spend the money on whatever you'd like? Here are some of our top suggestions.

Tuition fees

One of the biggest costs of higher education is tuition and course fees. So it just makes sense to use your scholarship funds to cover as much of it as possible. The top benefit is not having to worry about acquiring student loans and stressing about paying them back once you graduate.

Education expenses

Outside of tuition, there are probably lots of other things you'll need to buy for your educational journey too: textbooks, a laptop or tablet, stationery, special tools or equipment... This can all gradually add up to quite a bit of money – so why not put some of your scholarship towards these expenses?

Accommodation and living

If you're moving out of home to study, you're going to need somewhere to live – and you're going to have to pay for it too. Your scholarship can help take some of the pressure off the cost of living, covering rent, utilities, meals, furniture, appliances, or other living essentials.

Travel expenses

On the other hand, if you need to commute to classes, you might like to use your scholarship money to cover these costs instead. Put down a deposit on a car, use it to fly home and see family on the holidays, or use it to pay for fuel or public transport fares.

Invest in yourself

Studying can take up a lot of your day. And if you work too, you might find yourself with even less free time. If you don't need the money for anything else, use it to support your own health and wellbeing. You might like to pay for a gym membership, use it to cover medical appointments, or invest in a hobby to enjoy on your days off.

Put it away

If you don't currently have a steady source of income, it might be best to open up a savings account and just store the money away. That way you can feel secure knowing you've got money to cover emergencies. Or you could even use it as motivation to study hard and save it for a big celebration when you graduate (like an overseas trip).

Budgeting is still important

No matter how you decide to spend (or save) the money, having a budget is still important. It might be tedious, but it will keep you from overspending and teach you good habits for the future.

You might like to check out some [easy ways to save money as a student](#).

Find out more

At the end of the day, how you choose to spend the money comes down to your personal circumstances. Whether or not you already have an income, your living costs, and your lifestyle can all come into play when deciding the best course of action. Don't forget you can always ask for advice from your parents, friends, or the student support team at your university.

Ready to apply for a scholarship? [Take a look at our scholarships database](#) to search for opportunities, or [read more blogs about taking control of your money](#).

Work Experience

[Work experience ideas for students who love animals](#)

Are you a high school student with a passion for animals? Finding work experience that aligns with your interests can be both exciting and valuable for your future. Whether you're considering a career in veterinary science, animal conservation, or just love being around furry, feathery, or scaly friends, gaining hands-on experience now can give you a head start. Let's explore some work experience opportunities that would be perfect for animal enthusiasts.

Local animal shelter volunteer

Animal shelters are always looking for dedicated volunteers to help care for the animals waiting for their forever homes. This is a fantastic way to gain experience while making a real difference. As a volunteer, you might:

- Help with daily feeding and care routines
- Clean enclosures and exercise areas
- Spend time socialising animals through play and attention
- Assist with adoption events and community education

Most shelters welcome volunteers from age 14-16 upward, though you might need a parent to volunteer alongside you if you're under 16.

Veterinary clinic experience

Want to explore a career in animal healthcare? Approaching local veterinary clinics about work experience opportunities could be your perfect next step. During your placement, you could:

- Observe veterinarians and vet nurses as they work
- Learn about animal handling and basic care procedures
- Help with reception duties and appointment scheduling

- Gain insight into the day-to-day running of an animal healthcare facility

Many clinics offer structured work experience programs for high school students, so it's worth calling around to find out what's available in your area.

Pet store assistant

Working at a pet store can provide valuable experience with different types of animals while developing customer service skills. In this role, you might:

- Care for store animals including feeding, cleaning, and health monitoring
- Help customers choose the right pets and supplies for their needs
- Learn about various species and their specific care requirements
- Assist with stock management and store maintenance

This could be a great part-time or casual job option for weekends or school holidays if you're old enough for employment.

Wildlife rehabilitation volunteer

If you're more interested in wild animals, volunteering with a wildlife rehabilitation center might be something you'd like to consider. As a wildlife rehab volunteer, you could:

- Assist with feeding and caring for injured or orphaned wildlife
- Help prepare special diets and environments for different species
- Learn about conservation issues affecting local wildlife
- Support community education programs

Many wildlife centers have junior volunteer programs specifically designed for high school students.

Animal boarder or pet sitter

If you're looking for something more flexible, consider offering pet sitting or boarding services in your local community. This entrepreneurial option allows you to:

- Care for pets in their own homes or yours
- Set your own hours and rates
- Build relationships with different animals and their owners
- Develop responsibility and business skills

You could start small by offering services to neighbors and family friends, then expand as you gain experience and confidence.

Where to find opportunities

Ready to get started? Here are some ways to find animal-related work experience:

- Visit your local council website for volunteer opportunities
- Ask your school career advisor about established programs
- Check community noticeboards and social media groups
- Reach out to family and friends who work with animals
- [Browse our Work Experience database for opportunities](#)

Even if positions aren't advertised specifically for high school students, it's still worth asking if they'd consider taking you on for work experience.

Find out more

Want to explore more work experience options or learn about the benefits of gaining experience while still in school? [You can find plenty of information on our website here.](#)

Skills for Work, University

[The power of portfolios](#)

When applying for jobs or university courses, you might find you're asked to submit a portfolio alongside (or instead of) a resume or your academic results. But what exactly is a portfolio, and why does it matter? In this blog, we'll explore everything you need to know about portfolios, and provide some tips so you can start building your own right away.

What is a portfolio?

In simple terms, it's a collection of your best work and achievement - a showcase of your skills, accomplishments, and experiences that allows others to gain insights into your abilities.

Why are portfolios useful?

Portfolios are great because they provide a broader understanding of your capabilities beyond traditional grades and test scores. They allow universities and potential employers to assess your potential based on real work you've undertaken.

Different types of portfolios

Portfolios come in two primary forms: physical and digital, and each has its advantages.

Physical portfolios

As you might have guessed, these are tangible collections of your work and achievements. They can take the form of a physical binder, folder, or even a custom-made presentation book. They're well-suited for artistic and industrial disciplines, where the physical presence of your work matters, such as fine art, architecture, or fashion.

Digital portfolios

Digital portfolios, on the other hand, are virtual collections of your work and accomplishments, presented through online platforms or websites. They allow you to showcase multimedia content, including documents, images, videos, and interactive elements. They're highly versatile and are particularly valuable for fields that emphasise technology and digital skills, such as web development, graphic design, or digital marketing.

Which one should I choose?

The decision to create a physical or digital portfolio depends on your goals and the industry you're targeting. Physical portfolios can create a lasting impact in visual and hands-on fields, where the tactile experience matters. On the other hand, digital portfolios offer convenience and accessibility, making them ideal for showcasing tech-savvy skills and reaching a broader audience online.

And there's nothing wrong with having one of each either!

Who might ask for a portfolio?

Portfolios are sometimes requested by universities during the admissions process, especially for creative or specialised programs, or for alternative entry pathways (including early entry). In the professional world, industries such as design, marketing, media, technology, and engineering may require them when evaluating candidates for roles. And even if not explicitly asked for, having one can make you a more attractive candidate and set you apart from the competition.

What to include in a portfolio

To create an impactful portfolio, regardless of its form, you should try to include the following elements:

- **Your best work:** Choose samples that showcase your skills and achievements most effectively.

- **Reflections:** Add brief explanations or reflections on each piece, highlighting what you learned or gained from the experience.
- **Recommendations:** If possible, include letters of recommendation from teachers, supervisors, or mentors.
- **Resume:** Attach a resume that outlines your experiences and accomplishments.

When selecting work samples for your portfolio, consider the specific requirements and expectations of the job or course you're pursuing. For example, if you're applying for a graphic design position, focus on showcasing your design projects, visual communication skills, and proficiency with design software.

Start building your portfolio

If you're in high school and want to start building your portfolio, you can follow these steps:

- **Identify your passions:** Determine your interests and strengths to create a portfolio that aligns with your goals.
- **Gather your work:** Collect your best pieces, certificates, and awards that showcase your skills and achievements.
- **Seek feedback:** Share it with teachers, mentors, or friends to gain valuable insights and improve your presentation.
- **Keep updating:** As you progress, continue adding new accomplishments and works.

Building a portfolio is an ongoing process of growth and refinement. As you gain new skills, finish new projects, or receive feedback, continuously update and improve it. Regularly reassess the relevancy and impact of your work samples and make adjustments as needed.

Want to learn more?

If you're keen to explore more about potential future pathways, [you might like to check out some of the other resources on our website](#).

Job Spotlights

[Discover career pathways in Libraries and Archives](#)

Libraries and archives are invaluable resources for individuals seeking knowledge and information. Libraries provide a wide range physical and digital resources, catering to the diverse interests and needs of the community. Archives organise and preserve historical records and documents, ensuring their accessibility for future generations.

This pathway might be right for you if you are interested in preserving and organising information, helping others find what they need, and have a strong attention to detail.

What do careers in this pathway involve?

Both libraries and archives play a crucial role in preserving our collective knowledge and promoting lifelong learning in a friendly and welcoming environment. The field is evolving with digital technologies, creating new roles in digital preservation and online services.

While the number of traditional positions may not be growing rapidly, those with digital skills and adaptability will find opportunities as the field continues to change.

What are some important human skills for this pathway?

- Collaboration
- Communication
- Innovation
- Adaptability
- Digital Literacy

What are some of the tasks involved?

- Organise and file information
- Help people access information
- Preserve historical documents
- Teach others to find information
- Maintain detailed catalogues
- Archive digital files
- Source new materials
- Run community programs
- Develop archival systems

What kind of work environment and conditions can I expect?

You'll usually find people in the libraries and archives pathway working indoors. As online services expand, the opportunity for flexible and remote work is growing – though many roles still require an on-site presence.

Most positions follow regular daytime hours, but public libraries often require some evening and weekend shifts to serve the community.

The Clusters in libraries and archives

Find out more about the kind of work people in each [Career Cluster](#) might do in this pathway.

Guardians

Guardians in this pathway monitor the preservation and ethical use of information and historical records.

Linkers

Linkers connect the community with library and archival services, resources, and educational programs.

Coordinators

Coordinators in this pathway manage library and archival operations, from acquisitions to public programs.

Informers

Informers are the backbone of this pathway, educating patrons on information literacy, research methods, and archival practices.

Makers

Makers are needed in this pathway to catalogue and maintain collections and assist patrons.

Innovators

Innovators in this pathway might develop new library technologies and information retrieval methods.

Where can a libraries and archives pathway take me?

Interested in a career in libraries and archives? 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.

Library Assistant

Help patrons find materials, check books in and out, and reshelve returned items.

Digitisation Technician

Scan and photograph historical documents to create digital copies for preservation and access.

Collections Assistant

Help maintain and catalogue special collections of rare or unique materials.

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.

Librarian

Select and organise library materials, create programs for patrons, and provide reference and research assistance.

Archivist

Appraise, process, catalogue, and preserve historical items while providing access to researchers.

Preservation Specialist

Implement conservation treatments and preventive measures to protect materials from deterioration.

Senior level roles

These jobs will require extensive further education or many years of experience, but are also highly rewarding.

Heritage Consultant

Provide expert advice on managing, preserving, and interpreting historical collections, buildings, and cultural sites.

Head of Technical Services

Oversee the acquisition, cataloguing, and processing of new library and archival materials.

Chief Conservator

Lead preservation and conservation efforts for collections and develop treatment plans for damaged materials.

Similar pathways

If these careers in libraries and archives aren't quite right for you, you might like to explore some other similar pathways instead.

Galleries and Museums

Curate, preserve, and exhibit art and historical artifacts.

Tertiary Education

Develop and deliver courses, conduct research, and support student learning.

Religion

Guide and inspire individuals in their spiritual beliefs and practices.

How can I build experience in this pathway?

If you're still in high school and want to find out if a career in libraries and archives is right for you, here are some activities you can do:

- Catalogue a small collection to understand archiving
- Study the Dewey Decimal system to understand library organisation
- Volunteer at your school, local library, or historical society

We recommend studying these subjects in high school:

- English
- Mathematics
- Society and Culture
- Legal Studies
- ICT

Here are some suggestions of places you might like to try and find work experience:

- Local historical societies, libraries, or museums
- Non-profit organisations focused on literacy or education
- Government agencies or departments related to cultural heritage or preservation
- Research institutions or universities with specialised collections or archives
- Digital media companies focused on digitising and preserving historical materials

Where can I find out more?

You can explore other career pathways and find in-depth information on specific jobs [on our website](#).

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