# In Focus Careers

**March 2025** 



Big incentives for construction apprentices

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### **Section 1 for Students and Families**

### **News for March**

\$10,000 payment to plumbers, electricians and carpenters



**Construction Futures Centre Belmont** 

Governments are making every effort to increase skilled construction workers.

Apprentice plumbers, electricians and carpenters are to receive \$10,000 payment from the Commonwealth government, spread over their 4-year apprenticeship. Apprentices will receive \$2,000 at six, 12, 24, 36 months, and at the completion of their apprenticeship.

### What money is already available?

The Construction Training Fund provides information on:

- The \$1000 Apprentice Support Bonus
- The \$1000 Apprentice Tool
   Allowance





• The Apprentice Travel and Accommodation Allowance

• The \$500 Pre-Apprenticeship Award Payment

### Go HERE to find information on:

- Try-a-Trade Programs
- Women in the Construction Industry
- Apprentice support services
- Scholarships

I've collated information in <u>Building apprentices' road to riches – What support is</u> available for WA construction apprentices.

### Financial support for apprentices in priority occupations

Skills and qualifications that are in high demand, get extra support if you train in a priority occupation.

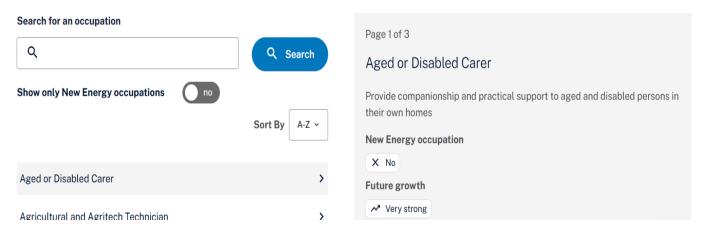
### **NEW**

There is a new function on the government site that helps you to explore priority occupations and find the wages, day to day activities and study pathways.

### **Explore Priority Occupations**

Use this widget to learn about occupations on the Australian Apprenticeships Priority List, including wages, future demand, day to day activities and study pathways.

This tool provides an overview of available priority occupations. For more information, speak to your <u>Apprentice Connect Australia Provider</u> or refer to the full <u>Australian Apprenticeship Priority List.</u> 7



### Find details HERE.

### **Electrician Skills Crucial for Future**

Subsidies to electrical apprentices will not just benefit the construction industry.

The State government has won Commonwealth funding for two National Centres of Excellence.

# The Clean Energy Skills National Centre of Excellence.

This industry will generate high demand for electricians.





# The Defence Industries National Centre of Excellence

The defence industry is not just those who are in defence forces. This Centre will focus on skills for businesses that deliver goods to the Henderson Defence Precinct where the AUKUS submarines will be serviced.

Specialised electrical technician skills will be in demand from these industries.



### **Construction Futures Centre**



The Construction Futures

Centre in Belmont is like a

SciTech for the construction
and mining industries.

Allow 90 minutes for your visit.

Students can discover how

diverse jobs are across these industries through interactive games and activities.

You can book HERE.

**BUS SUBSIDY** There is now a bus subsidy for qualifying schools.

### **Expansion of College of Electrical Training**

Training organisations have been struggling to keep up with demand for training places for electrician (Certificate III Electrotechnology electrician).

The College of Electrical Training (CET) is now the biggest provider of training for electricians in WA. It is now to receive \$3.1 million to expand its Jandakot and

Joondalup facilities. See details HERE.

Students wanting to do Certificate II
Electrotechnology (Career Start)
(Electrotechnology Preapprenticeship) can compete for
limited places at:



- South Metro TAFE
- College of Electrical Training Pre-Apprenticeship, They also have Apprenticeships and Post Trade Courses.



### World Economic Forum - 2025 Future of Jobs Report

This report is THE definitive guide that identifies what world's experts in our field predict for careers in the next five years.

You can find the full report HERE.

### Skills employers want now



Future of Jobs Report 2025

### Core skills in 2025

- 1. Analytical thinking
- 2. Resilience, flexibility and agility
- 3. C Leadership and social influence
- 4. Creative thinking
- 5. Motivation and self-awareness
- 6. Echnological literacy
- 7. Empathy and active listening
- 8. Curiosity and lifelong learning
- 9. Talent management
- 10. Service orientation and customer service

Future of Jobs Report 2025 WORLD ECONOMIC Top 10 fastest growing skills by 2030 Al and big data Networks and cybersecurity Technological literacy 3. Creative thinking 4. Resilience, flexibility and agility 5. Curiosity and lifelong learning Leadership and social influence Talent management Analytical thinking Environmental stewardship

### **Interesting to Note:**

- Although IT skill demands are strong, there is also a clear strong need for people who can think – Creative thinkers, Leaders etc.
- Clerical jobs are going but demand for AI and big data skills is growing. Who is going to enter the data?
- The requirement for **analytical thinking** has dropped significantly. The future world must be going to rely on AI and big data to do the thinking!!
- Nice to see environmental stewardship (caring for the environment) make the list.

# Fastest Growing Jobs (by percentage)

- Big data specialists
- Fintech (financial technology)
   engineers
- Al and machine learning specialists

# Fastest Declining Jobs (by percentage)

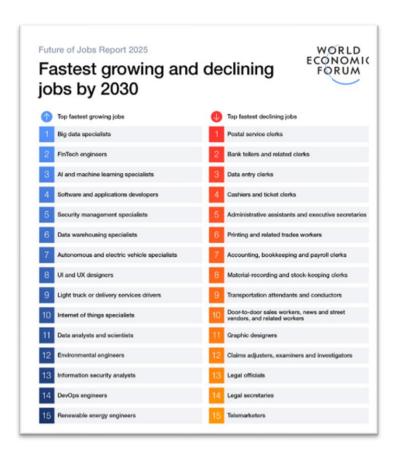
- Postal service clerks
- Bank tellers and related clerks.
- Data entry clerks.

# Largest Growing Jobs (biggest number increase)

- Farmworkers, labourers and other agricultural workers
- Light truck or delivery service drivers
- Software and app developers

# Largest declining jobs (biggest number of jobs lost)

- Cashier and ticket clerks
- Admin assistants and executive secretaries
- Building caretakers, cleaners and housekeepers.





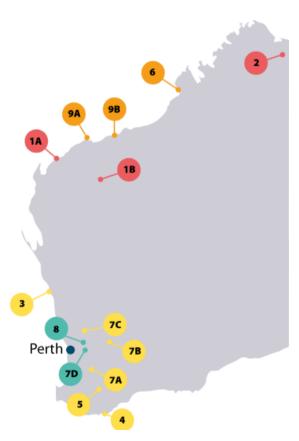
# University Hubs Deliver New Pathways in regional and outer metro areas.

Geographic isolation has been a major barrier for school leavers in RRR areas who want to go to university. (You can see a Quick Guide to the reasons <u>HERE.</u>)

There are now 46 Hubs that address barriers to university education caused by geographic isolation and social disadvantage.

New hubs have opened across Australia for the 2025 academic year. In WA the new ones are in Northam and Kununurra in RRR areas, and new ones closer to Perth are in Armadale (high school), Ellenbrook (library) and Mandurah (Mandurah Terrace).





Hub closest to you by going HERE.

These Hubs provide alternative pathways to young people who want to go on to university and support university students in RRR towns

- The cost of studying is lower if you can study while staying at home.
- You have the support of family and friends at home.
- Local support staff have more understanding of local issues and barriers to higher education.

You can find the Regional University Study

### Screen Careers in WA

In April 2024 the government launched the Western Australian Screen Industry

Strategy 2024 - 34.

The 10-year plan aims to create:

...a world-renowned screen industry
showcasing exceptional creative content and
stories to the world.

Marty Cunningham was responsible for developing the strategy and is now the Director Special Projects, responsible for developing and implementing the Screen Industry Workforce Plan, which will identify pathways into the industry.

He is working on the Plan with creative industries departments in TAFE Colleges and universities. The Plan will be available later this year.

When the Strategy was launched in April last year I wrote about it HERE.

While we wait for the Plan, you can do your own research. In my post I mapped:

- Creative Arts Opportunities at University
- Creative Arte (mainly)
   analogue VET opportunities

Digital Creative Arts VET Courses



Western Australian Screen Industry Strategy

On each map you will find links to information about opportunities in WA.

### **Events Career Opportunities - General**



### 15 March Girls Programming Network at UWA

It's time for the first Girls' Programming Network for 2025.



In this workshop, we'll be making
a Secret Diary Chatbot. We will teach the
computer to help us write and read from
a diary and protect it with a password
and other fun tricks!

Our events are free, and students don't need to have any programming

experience to come along; we've got something for high school girls of all levels. We'll cover the basics if you're new to Python and show you some extra cool stuff if you're already a programming pro!

Lunch and snacks will be provided for students.

The event is BYOD (bring your own device), so bring your laptop with you! We have some laptops available for students who can't bring one.



Here are the details of the GPN Perth Term 1 Workshop:

Date: 15th March Time: 10am - 4pm (registration from 9.30am) Location: UWA EZONE

Register HERE.

# 31 March 2025: Rotary Youth Exchange for 2026 Applications Close

Rotary Youth Exchange students spend up to a year in a foreign country with board and accommodation provided by host families.

It delivers an opportunity to:

- make lifelong friends,
- expand world views and
- live and learn in another country.



Students must be between the ages of 15 and 18 on the 1 January of the year of their exchange. Contact <u>Rotary Youth Exchange</u> Western Australia for details on how to apply.

# 16 May Applications Close: What Matters? Writing Competition Year 5 - 12

<u>The What Matters? Writing Competition</u> was originally inspired by Gough Whitlam's commitment to involving young people in shaping Australia's future.



This competition is timely given the recent concern about "shocking" civics results:

Australian students record worst ever civics result with 72 per cent not understanding the basics of democracy

The <u>What Matters? Writing Competition</u> is open to school students in years 5 to 12 across Australia.

There are cash prizes across all categories. Find details HERE.

### Deliberate Wage Theft is now a Criminal Offense

On 1 January 2025 Wage Theft became a Criminal Offense in Australia



### Wage theft is tricky

You usually like your boss, and you are happy to stay back and do a bit of extra unpaid work after your official knockoff time.

Maybe your boss lets you have a free coffee or food.

Maybe you get to roster off when you have an exam coming up or a special event. Maybe they drive you home after they have closed the business for the day. A good workplace has flexibility that supports both the employer and employee.

Check out what is happening with wage theft on my post HERE.

### Your rights as a worker

### Fair Work Ombudsman

FACT: Casual employees get:

- · unpaid carer's leave
- unpaid compassionate leave
- paid family and domestic violence leave
- unpaid community service leave

### **MYTH**

Casual employees don't get any leave entitlements.

• unpaid parental leave (if they've been employed on a regular and systematic basis for at least 12 months and reasonably expect that to continue).

For information about what casual employees are entitled to go

here: https://www.fairwork.gov.au/.../types.../casual-employees...

### **Employment Statistics**

### Internet Vacancy Index Up

Australia's job market saw a 4% rise in online job advertisements in January (seasonally adjusted), amidst a year-long decline. Job ads increased across all occupations, with Sales Workers seeing the strongest growth. Rises were also recorded across all skill levels and in most states and territories.

Vacancy numbers continue at elevated levels, with around 31% more advertisements in the labour market presently than compared with the monthly average for 2019.

### Jobs and Skills Atlas

West Australia's regional statistics can be examined by going to the <u>Jobs and Skills</u>
Atlas

- WA's unemployment rate persists at a low 3.3% with 69.1% participation rate.

  Only the NT has more people in its workforce (72.2%).
- Youth continue to experience barriers to employment with youth unemployment across Australia remaining at 9.2%.

### Australian Bureau of Statistics Labour Force Statistics

The latest ABS Labour Market statistics in trend terms, in January 2025:

- unemployment rate across Australia remained at 4.0%.
- participation rate remained at 67.2%.
- employment increased to 14,616,400.
- employment to population ratio increased to 64.5%.
- underemployment remained at 6.0%.
- monthly hours worked increased to 1,976 million.

### **University Events**

### **University Open Days**

| University Open Day Calendar 2025     |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| 30 March                              | THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA  UWA Open Day  Register for UWA HERE |  |
| 5 April                               | Murdoch University  Murdoch University                                   |  |
| 6 April                               | Curtin University  Curtin Open Day                                       |  |
| 24 May                                | NOTRE DAME  Notre Dame   |  |
| 23 March Joondalup<br>4 May Mt Lawley | Edith Cowan  |  |

### A Guide to Open Days for Year 12 Students

- $\Rightarrow$  Go with a buddy
- $\Rightarrow$  Spend 3 4 hours there
- $\Rightarrow$  Do campus tours, go to talks go to practical classes that are available.

I have updated the Guide to Open Days for Year 12 Students <u>HERE</u>.

### Year 11 Open Day

- Talk to current students on the stands.
- Go to presentations and exhibitions.
- Pick up handbooks and pamphlets

### Year 10 Open Day

- Try stuff. There will be people inviting you to engage with practical experiences in their courses. It could be VR or medical research or using their workshops.
- Pick up handbooks and pamphlets.
- Find the libraries.
- Find the coffee shops.

### Year 9 Open Day

- Check out the food vans and displays.
- Pick up handbooks and pamphlets.
- Go into buildings and check the latest computer games and research.
- Find the libraries, coffee shops and toilets.

# A Guide to Open Days for Year 12 Students Choose to go to two open days Register to go to the one:



# 13 March UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarship Information Webinar

WESTERN AUSTRALIA This webinar is for educators, parents and students who are interested in applying for the UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarship in 2025. We encourage anyone who is interested in applying, or who is supporting students to apply, to attend the webinar. The UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarship is one of Australia's premier scholarship programs, made for the future leaders of Western Australia.

Applications are now open to Year 11 students, and close on May 20th, 2025. For information go <u>HERE</u>.



### Closing 20 May UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarships

Open now – closes 20 May 2025

- Up to 10 scholarships for WA Year 12 students\*
- Predicted ATAR of 98+ (or 95+ for Broadway UWA schools)
- \$12,500 per year for undergraduate study + \$10,000 per year for postgraduate study

Get more details HERE.



### Closing 20 June UWA Winthrop Scholarship

Open now - closes 20 June 2025

- Up to five scholarships available
- Domestic\* Year 12 students with an ATAR of 95+
- Recognises academic excellence, leadership vision, and community involvement
- \$10,000 per year for undergraduate and postgraduate study

Get more details **HERE**.

### **University News**



### Want to become a teacher? ECU Teacher Education School to Split between Joondalup and New Perth Campus

ECU Mt Lawley Campus is to close at the end of this year.

Some faculties, like Business, IT and Creative Industries, which includes WAAPA, are moving to the new ECU campus being built next to Perth train station.



The Teacher Education School is to be split across both Joondalup and the city campus.

Read what is happening to different teacher education degrees HERE.

### Cool new logo for ECU

This is the new look for ECU's logo. It has a subtle gum leaf at the bottom of the "U".



The subtle gum leaf motif pays tribute to Edith's "Tough Nut" brooch which she gave to her supporters when she was first elected to parliament.... this became her iconic celebration and now becomes our celebration of courage, creativity and optimism.

I like it



### UWA + Starter micro-credentials 2025

Year 11 and 12 students can now enrol directly in UWA+ Starter micro-credentials.

There is no fee for students from Broadway Schools.

For details go HERE.

For general UWA+ Starter enquiries please contact <a href="mailto:uwaplus@uwa.edu.au">uwaplus@uwa.edu.au</a>

### Not all pathways are equal

A high ATAR score is a strong indicator of success at uni.

- Some uni courses are only available to students who have achieved a high ATAR score.
- Some courses have prerequisites that are only met through success in those subjects.

The academic outcomes at university of students from alternative pathways differed compared to students who entered university via an ATAR according to an article published in WAToday.

### • VET or Portfolio Entry

Students who entered university through a VET course or portfolio entry were more likely to discontinue their studies, performed poorer in their university assessments and were generally unhappier with their university study experience.

### Enabling Programs

Students who undertook an enabling program before entering university had stronger performance on those same measures – they were more likely to complete their studies, performed better in university assessments and were more satisfied with their university study.

### **Training News**

### **Applications Open for 2025 Training Awards**

### **Applications close 11 April 2025**

Applications are open for <u>2025 Training Awards</u>. There is a category called <u>WA School-based Apprentice of</u> the Year.

The WA Government has improved the instructions for applicants.

Last year Ffion Henderson, from Melville SHS, was the WA School-based Apprentice of the Year. Employed by Rottnest Express.

- Cert II Workplace Skills.
- Trained at Vocational Training Services



**Ffion** 

Read about her achievements <u>HERE</u>. See Applying for Training Awards <u>HERE</u>.

### 6 March IdeAcademy Open Night

The IdeAcademy Diploma provides an alternative to big training providers.

- Check out the <u>information</u> that is available on their site.
- Go to the <u>Diploma Open</u>
   <u>Night</u> at 6.30 : 6<sup>h</sup> March,
   191 St Georges Terrace to get more information.

The Diploma starts on 25<sup>h</sup> March 2025





DIPLOMA OPEN NIGHT -THURSDAY 6TH MARCH

### Register for the Diploma Open Night

Thinking about the IDEA Diploma?

Join us at our **Open Night** to dive into the program, meet your future mentors, tour the space, and chat with the entrepreneurs behind it all—driving WA's young creatives and innovators to succeed!

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March, 6:30pm 191 St Georges Terrace, Perth

REGISTER HERE

### **Apprenticeships and Traineeships**

### **Apprenticeship Support Australia Intake Guide**



The Apprenticeship Support Australia booklet is great for West Australian students thinking of an apprenticeship or traineeship. You can find it HERE.

### 2025 WorldSkills National Championships in Brisbane

Australia competes in the international WorldSkills competition. WorldSkills Australia gives young West Australians the opportunity to have access to VET skills that measure up on the international stage.



Our main way we support skills excellence in Australia is through our skills competitions – which we've been running for over 40 years. Skill competitions happen at a regional, national and international level, and allow young people to benchmark their skill level against their peers.

Competitors who do well at a regional competition are invited to compete at the national championships. From there, you may even be asked to join the Skills Squad, where you'll have the opportunity to travel internationally and test yourself against the best trades and skills talent *in the world*.

Discover your regional competition HERE. Learn more about WorldSkills HERE.

### Guide to taking on an apprentice.

This booklet tells students (and employers) about:

- How many hours you need to work
- Leave arrangements
- Apprentice wages
- Formal training contracts.

Get your free copy HERE.



Apprenticeship Office WA at

wa.gov.au/organisation/apprenticeship-office or call 13 19 54 (local) or (08) 6551 5499 (interstate).

### **Jobs and Skills Centre for Apprenticeships and Traineeships**

Parents, employers and students can get free, government funded information and guidance about apprenticeships and traineeships from one of the <u>Jobs and Skills</u>
Centres.



If you think a trade or traineeship could be a good pathway for you go to a <u>Jobs and Skills</u>
Centre.

### **Senior School Opportunities**

Register by 3 March: Accelerate Winds workshop for woodwind players

WESTERN Accelerate! Winds, led by renowned AUSTRALIA Clarinettist Ashley Smith, offers talented woodwind players in Years 10–12 the chance to refine their skills through hands-on workshops, masterclasses, and bootcamps throughout 2025. You'll have the unique opportunity to learn alongside UWA students, work with top industry professionals, and gain expert guidance on key topics such as choosing and preparing repertoire for your ATAR performance, refining your practice, and conquering performance anxiety.

First workshop 16 March. Register HERE.





# Register by 21 March: UWA Young Leaders' Council Workshops for Year 11 & 12

STERN Monday 14 April & Friday 18 July

The UWA Young Leaders' Council is a subsidiary council of the UWA Student Guild, established in partnership with the University of Western Australia with the goal of connecting student leaders from across Western Australia and developing practical and applicable leadership skills to be utilised within school and broader community contexts.

Details on sessions will be posted on the Young Leaders' Council webpage.

### **WA Government Kickstart Program**

About a third of Australia's jobs are in government. Whether you want to work in agriculture or the arts, there could be an opportunity that will be perfect for you.



Check out all the different government departments, just in Western Australia.

The State government has opportunities for:

- Traineeships
- Work experience
- Internships and vacation programs
- Graduate cadetships.

Explore opportunities to do work experience in a government office HERE.

### **Year 12 Opportunities**

# 4 March University Clinical Admissions Test 2025 Applications Open

Book in to do your UCAT from 4 March.

There are now three pathways into medicine in WA that require you to do the UCAT test.

1. Medicine at Curtin



UWA Doctors of the Future

- 2. <u>UWA Assured Pathway to Medicine and Dentistry</u>
- 3. Notre Dame Assured Pathway

To be offered a place in any of these three pathways you need:

- amazing ATAR scores,
- a great UCAT score and
- have an interview or do the CASPER test.

The UCAT testing begins on 1 July and runs through to 9 August. You can <u>register</u> here, You can see key dates <u>HERE</u>.

### **Practice Tests**

There are many hints and practice tests on the UCAT page.

### **Check Al for tips**

I asked ChatGPT "what could I do to improve my UCAT score" and it gave 6 good suggestions which I think would improve my result.

### Paying for UCAT preparation courses

I get bombarded with ads from companies that want me to promote their UCAT preparation courses. The tests on the UCAT site are more than adequate so don't bother with the paid preparation courses.

### Regional candidates for medicine

Curtin University's Medical School in Western Australia prioritizes applicants from rural and regional areas when recruiting for its medicine programs.

Future students can find current information HERE.

### **Year 10 Opportunities**

### School Based Traineeships for Year 11 in 2026

### Applications for 2026-27 open on 23 June 2025.

Our school-based traineeship program is a fantastic opportunity for students heading into Year 11 in 2025 who are looking to start a great career.

### A great program for students

Over 18 months trainees gain real experience working part time in a government agency, learning valuable workplace skills and being paid while finishing Years 11 and 12.

### Trainees:

- work 2 days a week (usually Thursday and Friday) in a public sector agency and this counts towards their Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE)
- complete a nationally recognised Certificate II in Government
- receive support from a workplace supervisor to develop workplace skills for future employment.

Home school students are not eligible for school-based traineeships as they are not enrolled in a school and do not meet the achievement requirements of WACE through home education studies.

See information for students for more.

### Middle Year Opportunities

### **Innovators Tea Party Events**

The Innovators' Tea Party links successful women working and training in STEM with high school students through a range of engaging events.

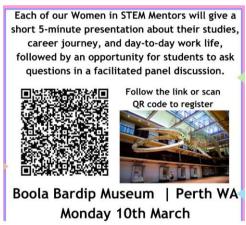


### ⇒ 24 February Inspire in 5 – Boola Bardip Museum

This event is targeted at years 7–10: Consisting of engaging short talks where female STEM professionals share their career journeys and what a day in the life of their job looks like, designed to motivate and inspire students.

Time: 5pm. Book HERE.

### ⇒ **10 March Inspire in 5** – Boola Bardip Museum





### ⇒ 22 March Speed Networking Saturday STEM Online

Speed Networking is a free careers event for students in years 10 – 12 who are interested in careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Meet a group of Women in STEM Mentors who share their career stories. Students will have ~10 minutes with each of our incredible Women in STEM mentors before moving on to the next station. Depending on the number of bookings, students may interact 1–1 with each mentor or be in small groups of 2–4.tickets HERE.

### **Year 7 - 9 Opportunities**

### **Curtin CoderDojoWA**

**EDfutures** <u>CoderDojo</u> at Curtin provides free sessions to help students 12 and older to be creative and solve problems using computers.



We're working to build the capability of individuals, groups and organisations, equipping them with the skills, knowledge and networks to start and run their own CoderDojo coding clubs.

You can find out more HERE.

### 15 April Cyber Cup @ Bloom Centre for Youth Innovation

This school holidays, over **two days**, guided by industry-leading mentors, you'll immerse yourself in design thinking, from ideation to pitch, you'll collaborate in teams to dissect real problems, transforming challenges into opportunities.

Cyber Cup is tailored to students from years 7-9.

Find details HERE.

### **Primary School Opportunities**

### Little Ripples free ebooks

A new series of <u>Little Ripples eBooks</u> featuring characters Layla and Liam have been released by CICA and the National Careers Institute. These stories take young readers on adventures as they explore the fascinating world of STEM and Advanced Manufacturing all within a career development learning framework aligned with the Australian Blueprint for Career Development.

In addition to the eBooks, a STEM worksheet complements the stories, providing hands-on activities for children to deepen their understanding of STEM concepts. Furthermore, posters featuring Layla and Liam that young people can colour in add to their learning experience.

### **RRR Student Opportunities**

### Good Sammy School-Based Traineeships - Regional Locations!

Good Sammy is offering young people with disability paid traineeships and on-thejob training at its regional retail stores in Geraldton, Bunbury, Northam and Albany for 2025.

Suitable for students with disability going into years 10 or 11 in 2025, the traineeships will provide participants with an opportunity to experience working in a



retail environment, build confidence and learn new skills. In addition, trainees will receive a nationally recognised qualification, Certificate II in Retail Services, all while earning an income.

For more information and to apply, email your interest to opportunities@goodsammy.com.au

### You can take longer to go to uni - Tertiary Access Payments

The government has removed the requirement for Year 12 students to start uni within 12 months of leaving school in order to qualify for the <u>Tertiary Access</u>

Payment.

The <u>Tertiary Access Payment</u> is a one off payment of up to \$5000 to help you to move closer to the university of your choice from RRR areas.

# Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Career Opportunities

Applications Open for Australian Public Service (APS)

**Apprenticeships** 

### Close 4 March

Whether you just finished school or are looking for a career change, you can start your government career in one of the many departments and agencies in the APS.

- You could work in areas like IT, health, or even aviation.
- Gain a nationally recognised qualification.
- Positions are available in rural, remote and city locations around Australia.







Services Australia is recruiting on behalf of the Australian Public Service.

Applications close Sunday, 2 March 2025.

For more information, visit <a href="http://srkr.io/6188kXG">http://srkr.io/6188kXG</a>

**#APS #PublicService #CareerOpportunities #ApplicationsOpen** Applications now open!

New guide for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander school students with disability



# 4 March ECU Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Information Session – Online

Join us for our Online Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Information Session. Whether you are considering returning to education to further your career or pursue a new passion, this event is designed to provide you with all the essential information you need to take the next steps.

Register HERE.

# New guide for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander school students with disability

The Commonwealth Department of Education has published a new information resource aimed at Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander school students with disability and their families.

Titled, Our right to learn and play, it talks about students' rights and what schools must do to support all students to join in and learn.

It was co-designed by and for young First Nations people with disability, with the help of First Peoples Disability Network Australia and Children and Young People with Disability Australia.

You can find it HERE.

### **People with Disability Opportunities**

### 26 March WA Digital Inclusion Project Expo

### Families of people with disability.

This event is designed for people who want to know how the latest technology can support people who have a disability.



It is on at Boorla Bardip from 9am - 3pm. Get details HERE.

### **School of Special Education Needs - Sensory**



Specialist educational support for children with hearing loss, vision impairment and dual sensory loss.



The School of Special Educational Needs: Sensory (SSEN: S) provides educational support for children and students with hearing loss, vision impairment or dual sensory loss in early childhood and in public and non-government school settings.

Find out more HERE.

### School Leaver Employment Support - you may be eligible

Young People with a disability may be eligible for NDIS School Leaver Employment Support services.

At the Engagement Forum, BizLink told us that participants in <u>the program</u> do not need to have a formal diagnosis of disability, and they only need to do 8 hours in the workplace per week.

Check out the different services and check you eligibility HERE.

# Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) Student Opportunities

### 26 February CaLD Jobs Expo

Cannington Showground.

This is an opportunity for employers to meet potential employees. It may be worth going along to see what employers are looking for.

By scanning you are taken to a site where you can register your interest or go HERE.



### **Migration Services**

The Department of Training and Workforce
Development, through their Migration Services
area provides a range of services and information
to help skilled migrants settle and work in
Western Australia.



### Find out more:

- Skilled Nominated visa
- Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) visa
- Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (provisional) visa
- Safe Haven Enterprise Visa



# Section 2 Career Professionals

### **Section 2: For Insanely Great Career Advisors**

### **Events for Career Advisors**



### 24 February Murdoch Careers Masterclass

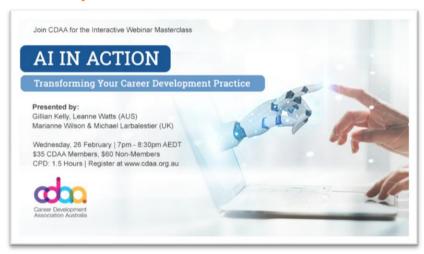
The theme for 2025 is Back to Basics.

Time: 7:30am - 12pm

Venue: Boola Katitjin, Building 360 - Murdoch University

To register go to Murdoch University Careers Masterclass 2025

# 26 February Webinar: Al in Action – Transforming your Career Development Practice



Generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) can enhance efficiency and support the various tasks carried out by career practitioners. The technology has considerable implications, risks, and

opportunities.

Join us for this interactive webinar masterclass exploring CDAA's new <u>Guidelines</u> for the Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) for Career Practitioners.

This webinar will be presented by Gillian Kelly and Leanne Watts, who were integral in developing the guidelines. Register <u>HERE</u>

# 5 March The POWEROFTAFE and Industry to Accelerate Action towards gender parity. Webinar

The theme for International Women's Day 2025 is Accelerate Action.

At the current rate of progress, it will take until 2158 to reach full gender parity.



This TAFETalk explores strategies TAFE and industry can use to Accelerate Action. 11am online. Register <u>HERE</u>.

# 5 March CICA The current and future state of the Australian Labour Market.

In this session, we paint a picture of Australia's current and future labour market needs, covering:

- the current state of the labour market and where employers are currently hiring.
- what the future jobs market might look like.
- key skills needs of the future.
- research on what employers look for in job applicants covering education and training, past work experience, and core employability skills – and how advisors can help young people take advantage of these opportunities.

Presenter - Cliff Bingham, Jobs and Skills Australia

Register HERE.

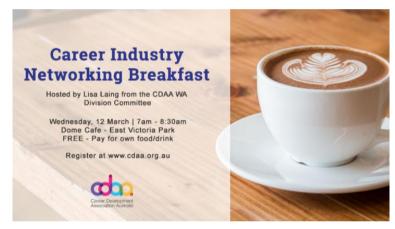
# 12 March CDAA Gen-Al: Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Work

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has the potential to reshape the global economy, especially in the realm of labour markets. Advanced economies will experience the benefits and pitfalls of AI sooner than emerging market and developing economies, largely due to their employment structure focused on cognitive-intensive roles. Register HERE

#### 12 March CDAA Breakfast in East Vic Park

This is information and completely useful. You will meet people who are eager to

help you to achieve your goals. Catch up with teachers, VET people, job service providers, private RTOs and ITC staff, all of whom are eager to work with you to build your capacity to deliver outstanding career advice.



They are on the second Wednesday of every month at 7am at Dome in East Vic Park. I park in the free parking behind the Balmoral. Register <u>HERE</u>.

# 13 March BankWest Curtin Economics Centre Youth In Focus report launch

Tickets are now on sale for the launch of the Centre's report focusing on the experience of young people in Australia.

Based on insights from the Centre's Youth Forum and other sources, this report

explores the issues Australian young people identify as the most crucial to them, such as the rising cost of living, education, future of work, and climate change.

This special report launch will feature direct insights from young



Professor Astghik Mavisakalyan and Professor Mike Docker

people themselves, alongside research findings from BCEC report authors <u>Professor Astghik Mavisaklayan</u> and <u>Professor Mike Dockery</u> and commentary from experts in the space.

Tickets available HERE.

## 26 March Webinar. Psychosocial Hazards in the Workplace

Workplace rights are getting better.

Students need to know their rights in the workplace. Psychosocial Hazards have become increasingly important since COVID.

Psychosocial
Hazards
in the Workplace
Presented by Lisa Mannering, Langtree Legal
Employment Lawyer & HR Consultant

Wednesday, 28 March | 7pm - 8pm AEDT
\$25 CDAN Members, 340 Non-Members
CPD Points: 1 Hour | Register at www.odaa.org.au

In this webinar, employment lawyer and HR

consultant <u>Lisa Mannering CPHR</u>, will discuss what psychosocial hazards are, what makes a psychosocially safe workplace, and the steps that Career Development professionals can take to guide clients on psychosocial safety.

Register HERE.

## Hold the Date/Book Now: Career Events for Schools

### 15 - 18 May Careers Expo

The annual Careers Expo is on at the Convention Centre. Many schools take students, usually from Year 10 to the Expo. Find details <u>HERE</u>.

## 10 June Big Day In - Hold the Date

The Big Day In is at Joondalup this year.

I can't think of a job that is not going to be impacted by the:



Broadening digital access is expected to be the most transformative trend

World Economic Forum Future of Jobs Report 2025

To discover emerging IT trends, book your school in for the Big Day In HERE

## 30 June - 4 July Innovation Week at Bloom (St Catherine's)

# This program is timed so that students who are in Perth for Country Week can also attend.

The Innovations Week Program run at St Catherine's by the Bloom Centre for Youth Innovation during the end of semester break.

The program looks brilliant for students who are interested in exploring and developing ideas, meeting new people and discovering new career pathways.

The cost is \$60 per student and equity scholarships are available.



Check it out HERE.

## 24 - 26 July Careers and Employment Expo

If you are looking for a job, career change, courses or you are a school student looking for a career path, you can't afford to miss this event.

This one is also on at the Convention Centre. VET courses get more attention at this Expo. Find details HERE.

## 17 - 19 August 2025 Resources Technology Showcase

The 3-day showcase is set to connect and educate students on the minerals that make our world go round.

For more information on 2025 sponsorship opportunities or school excursions please email <a href="mailto:rts.2025@wanews.com.au">rts.2025@wanews.com.au</a>

Find details and book in HERE.

### **Career News**

# WEF Future of Jobs Report 2025

The World Economic Forum has published its 2025 Future of Jobs Report.

I love these Reports. They are THE definitive information about where our world of careers is heading.

This short video is only 1.28 minutes long

but there is probably too much information packed into the short video. Facts include:

- 92 million jobs will disappear by 2030.
- 170 new jobs will be created due to:
  - New technologies
  - Accelerating energy transition

There are some very easy to follow infographics HERE.



# **Opportunities and Resources**

# **Myfuture School to Work Pathway Infographics**

MyFuture turns 20 this year and it is the best career site for students and professionals. Get an account if you haven't got one and start building a folio of useful resources. These infographics are a good resource.



myfuture's infographics help students from years 7 – 12 to visualise various pathways they can take from school to work.

The infographics draw on Australian census data and the expertise of professional career practitioners. They utilise classifications relating to industries and occupations to represent pathways to careers across 18 industries.

You can find them HERE.

## Bloom innovation programs for educators and schools

We help educators and schools embrace innovation.



Bloom is a hub for youth entrepreneurship which provides a range of opportunities for school students:

- Innovation Week.
- Regional Youth Innovation Pipeline
- Bespoke programs

## **Seafood Careers New Webpage**



Seafood Careers Australia has created a webpage with information and resources which are of particular use to career opportunities.

## **Expo Preparation Work Sheets**

There's lots of evidence that students have more success if they work on career tasks with a buddy. A buddy will remember what was said when the questioner was nervous or concentrating on what to ask.

These worksheets are basic, but they can be given to students and they can work with their buddy to prepare for and attend the Expo.

There are 3 Steps:

- 1. Step 1: Pre Expo-Preparation.
- 2. Step 2: At the Expo
- 3. Step 3: Post Expo Presentation



## **Kwinana Industries Council iProjects**

The KIC iProjects are for Year 10 students and run for 7 days over 4 weeks.

Students are selected by their schools to participate. The purpose of the iProjects

is to show students careers in industry they may never have previously considered or even knew they existed. This is done by taking the students on industry site tours and giving them the opportunity to meet industry representatives in all different roles.



Check out the Kwinana Industries Council Education page HERE.

For more information about the iProjects contact education@kic.org.au

# **University Opportunities**



# Murdoch University New Engagement Opportunities

Murdoch has significantly extended the range of presentation opportunities available for 2025.

#### **Discover Presentations:**

- Year 10 30 60 Minute Presentations
- **Year 11 & 12** 45 60 Minute Presentations
- Pathways for Non-ATAR Students 45 60 Minute Presentations
- **Regional** 45 60-minute Presentations

### **Other Engagement Options**

- Course Counselling Sessions 15 minutes each
- On Campus visits allow 3 hours.
- School Expos and Parent Evenings no longer than 4 hours
- Course Explorer Workshop 60 minutes

#### **Student Ambassadors**

- Drop-in Sessions ambassadors can visit your school for an informal,
   student-led chat
- **Student Panel** senior school students can ask a panel of current and past students about pathways
- Presentation student ambassadors can deliver a short presentation

For more information go HERE.

# **VET Opportunities**

# Brilliant new time saver on Australian Apprentices site

There is a new function on the Australian Apprenticeships site that identifies:

- Priority apprenticeships
- Wages
- Future Demand
- Day to day activities and
- Pathways

This will be great when doing individual counselling or you can refer students to the site.

It's an Australia wide site so the priority courses may not be taught in WA RTOs.

You can find it HERE.

## **CCIWA School Engagement Specialist**

If you would like someone to come to your school to talk to students, CCIWA has someone who will help.

#### Expos

attendance at your upcoming school careers expo subject to availability.
 For any expo requests please email <u>schoolsupport@cciwa.com</u> with the dates, times and what we are required to bring that isn't provided or fill in the form below

#### Skilled Jobs Board

 Students can register on the database, create alerts, search and apply for jobs and upload their resumes to the jobs board. <u>VISIT SKILLED JOBS</u>
 BOARD WA

#### • 'Rock Your Career' Career Support Webinars

Book into one of our free online 'Rock Your Career' Career Support
Webinars to learn about career pathways and ask questions about
apprenticeships/traineeships.

The webinar takes place every Wednesday from 3-4pm however, bookings are essential. **BOOK WEBINAR** 

#### School-Based Newsletter

 ASA has a dedicated School-Based newsletter that we send out fortnightly. This contains school-based apprenticeships, traineeships and work experience opportunities, resources assisting you or your students, industry news in the VET space and upcoming events. You can subscribe below to receive the newsletter. Feel free to forward this link to your colleagues. SUBSCRIBE



<u>Jordan Wright</u> is our star presenter!!

Contact Jordan and tell him you have great expectations!! <u>Jordan.Wright@cciwa.com</u> or go to the <u>School Support Bookings Page</u>.

# Skills for Tomorrow - Shaping the future of Australian Apprenticeships

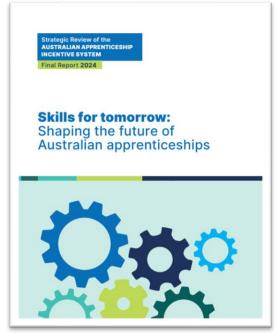
# These recommendations have included actions aimed at addressing issues including:

- o cost-of-living pressures for apprentices
- o the ability of the Incentive System to target areas of the greatest skill need
- o perceptions and understanding of apprenticeships as a career pathway
- workplace culture issues that lead to apprentice attrition

# The following is some of the recommendations relevant to employers:

- Align incentives to the Government's
   economic priorities and social equity objectives. Direct payments to SMEs.
- Reward employers who are providing an appropriate working environment for their apprentices.
- Support the use of Group Training Organisations to assist SMEs in taking on new apprentices.
- Utilise the Australian Government's procurement policies to increase engagement of 1st and 2nd year apprentices.
- Review the apprentice data systems to make them easier for apprentices,
   employers and other users to use and navigate.

Download the report **HERE**.



## Year 10 Resources

#### What to do with Year 10s

#### Universities

- University Open Days start in March.
- All universities have guest school liaison staff who will come and speak to students.
- Uni staff will come to your school expos.
- In 2024, ECU ran a program for Year 10s. I will let you know as soon as I hear anything about the 2025 program.

#### **VET**

- Jobs and Skills Centres –ask for guest speakers. They will talk about VET
- Private RTOs often have open days
- Introduce WorldSkills to Year 10s.
- Introduce <u>Training Awards</u> to Year 10s

### Year 10 Magic Happens

If you haven't got your copy of the 2025 In Focus Careers Year 10 Magic Happens Student Guide and Teachers' Handbook, email me and I will forward it to you.

## **Year 9 Opportunities**

## **Year 9 Taster Program**

This program has been one of the most successful career initiatives of the past few years. There are many stories about year 9s discovering career directions through these programs.

They are now well established with variety of opportunities for schools to engage with.

See how you can get involved HERE.



## **Primary School Resources**

## **Children's University Western Australia**

The Children's University of Western Australia is a partnership between ECU and UWA which helps young people aged 7 - 14 to learn beyond the classroom.

It aims to inspire a passion for lifelong learning from a young age, strengthen educational engagement, widen participation and support students from diverse backgrounds to access higher education.



- ⇒ Find how your school can engage with ECU HERE.
- ⇒ Find how your school can engage with UWA HERE.

# **STEM Opportunities**

# 24 February Launch of RoboCup Junior 2025

This is an online launch of the 2025 program.



#### The 2025 RoboCup Junior Australia season is

**officially on the way**, and we want YOU to be part of it! Whether you're an experienced competitor, a mentor, an educator, or just starting out in the world of robotics, this is your chance to get all the latest updates and insights as we kick off the new season.

#### What to expect:

• 2025 RoboCup Junior Australia season details

- Exciting new challenges and competitions
- Updates from each State Chair
- Spike Prime Launch explore the future of robotics!
- Q&A with experts and mentors

#### WHEN: Monday, 24 February 2025

• 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM AWST (Perth) WHERE (online): Join us Virtually

# Young ICT Explorers 2024 Open for Year 3 - 12

The competition encourages primary and high school students in Years 3–12 to solve real-world problems or express their creativity using technology.



A key focus of is ensuring equal opportunities for all students. through working in partnership with The Smith Family (TSF).

The deadline for all project submissions is **31 July 2025.** Visit the website for more details, including how the competition works and to download the information pack.

Register HERE.

## **Techtrails School Incursion Program**

A Techtrails STEM school incursion is a full day of interactive activities, storytelling, career exploration, and busting STEM myths. Designed to generate

passion, excitement and curiosity to inspire young people to consider careers in the world of science.



technology, engineering, maths (STEM) and innovation. While meeting some of Western Australia's most inspirational professionals and entrepreneurs, students develop a deeper understanding of how STEM skills taught in class today can be applied in real-world contexts.

Find details and register HERE.

# **English and the Arts**

## Closing 27 March - Creativity for Schools grant applications

This program partners schools and creatives to embed creativity into students' learning and understanding across curriculum areas.

There are two program categories, Collaboration and Residency, support activities utilising arts-based practice to engage students in their learning beyond arts curriculum areas.

- The Residency grant is worth \$20,000
- The Collaboration grant is worth \$60,000

Find details and apply HERE.

## **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander**

#### 27 March Arts Grants

The Partnership Acceptance Learning Sharing (PALS) program encourages WA schools to develop projects promoting and advancing reconciliation in their local community.

The PALS program objectives are:

- Partnership between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people based on trust, mutual respect and understanding.
- Acceptance of and respect for diversity and valuing Aboriginal perspectives.
- Learning more about each other, Aboriginal histories, languages and cultures; and how we can build strong partnerships with Aboriginal people.
- Sharing a common journey towards healing and reconciliation.

Find details HERE.



## **UWA Year 9 Djinanginy Day**

This isn't on until 14 November but there are only 120 places so you might like to book now.

#### **Year 9 Djinanginy Day**

Djinanginy program (meaning 'looking' or 'seeing' in Noongar) introduces Year 9s to the uni environment through a mix of lecture-style and hands-on activities.

The program changes yearly and showcases a range of disciplines, giving students the chance to consider study in an area they might not have thought of previously. An example program might feature physics or chemistry activities, demonstrations from UWA's Business School, and hands-on activities in sports science or engineering.

Students will also get an insight into the different uni entry pathways, receive lunch, a free t-shirt, bucket hat and other uni merch.

Find details HERE.



### **UWA Year 8 Discovery Days**

This isn't on until 12-13 November but there are limited places so you might like to book now.

#### **Year 8 Discovery Days**

Every year, we invite Year 8 students to spend a day at UWA, to meet current Indigenous students and explore the uni campus. They'll do hands-on activities designed to mimic tasks they might be given at uni. For instance, they might test a person's athletic ability like an AFL talent scout, apply plaster to a forearm like a doctor, act as a juror in a moot court or work out what minerals are used to make a car like a geologist.

Students will also learn about different uni entry pathways and receive lunch, a free t-shirt, bucket hat and other uni merch.

Find details HERE



### **UWA School Excursions**

Schools can enjoy a tour of Bilya Marlee, and discover the facilities and resources available just for Indigenous students, and visit other areas of campus, including Winthrop Hall, the Sport and Recreation Centre, residential colleges, lecture theatres, Guild Village. We can

also arrange visits to individual departments if your students have a particular interest.

School tours are free. If you'd like to book a tour, please complete the below form or get in touch with our team at <u>outreach-sis@uwa.edu.au</u> or <u>+61 8 6488 3428</u>.

# **Disability**

# 19 March VET Professional Development: Supporting Students with Invisible Disabilities (Skills Education)

Wed 19 Mar 2025 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm AEST

Invisible disabilities and barriers to education can significantly impact a person's ability to learn, yet they often go unnoticed or misunderstood. This session will look at strategies to foster a supportive and inclusive learning environment and hear from a learner with lived experience of invisible disability. Ultimately, this presentation aims to enhance learning outcomes, promote diversity, equality and inclusion, and empower students to overcome challenges and thrive. Find out more about VET Professional Development: Supporting Students with Invisible Disabilities (Skills Education)

### **Inclusive Learning Opportunities Through Al**

# **ILOTA Things**



Check out the 10 Podcasts HERE.

Welcome to the ADCET podcast where we investigate Inclusive Learning Opportunities Through AI (ILOTA).

In this series, we'll explore the convergence of universal design for learning (UDL), artificial intelligence (AI), and accessibility, and examine ways in which we can utilise emerging technologies to enhance learning opportunities for educational designers, educators, and students.

# Strategic Review of the Australian Apprenticeship Incentive System – Fact sheet for apprentices with disability

The Australian Government has released its Final Report on the Strategic Review of the Australian Apprenticeship Incentive System. The associated 'Fact sheet for apprentices with disability' provides an in-depth review of the Australian Apprenticeship Incentive System, focusing on its effectiveness in supporting apprentices with disability. Find out more about the Strategic Review of the Australian Apprenticeship Incentive System – Fact sheet for apprentices with disability

## Release of the National Autism Strategy 2025-2031

The Federal Government has released Australia's first ever national autism strategy, aiming to enhance the lives of approximately 300,000 autistic Australians. Developed through a comprehensive co-design process, the strategy is a seven-year plan that sets out the vision for a safe and inclusive society for all Autistic people, one where we support and empower Autistic people to thrive in all aspects of life. The strategy is a framework for improving outcomes for all Autistic people in the years ahead. It includes a vision, goal and guiding principles. Find out more about the Release of the National Autism Strategy 2025–2031

# **Developing Employability - Site for Educators**



I mention this site each year!

If you are interested in developing employability skills for people who have a disability go to the <u>Developing EmployABILITY</u> site.

# **Opportunities for Teachers**

## 28 March - Applications close: Scholarships for teachers

#### **Teacher Scholarships to PIEFA Conference!**

Cotton Australia is offering scholarships to support two (2) early career teachers with a passion for learning, who are interested in exposure to the Australian cotton industry and who want to attend the full PIEFA Conference in Canberra on 19–20 May 2025. Applications close 28 March | APPLY NOW



### **Brain Food in Focus**

# MyFuture- Quality career education in schools: An Introduction to key principles and practice



If you are new to career teaching, make <u>MyFuture</u> your primary source of teaching resources. There is so much information there that you don't need to go further.

- It is a government site, so it isn't trying to sell you anything
- You can create your own profile which you can keep for YEARS.
- Your personal information is protected by the Australian Privacy Principles.

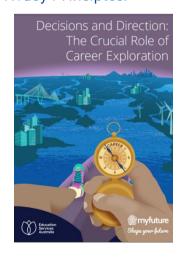
## Finding a career is a journey NOT a destination

Career education should support *direction-setting* as much or more than decision making.

See <u>Decisions and Direction: The Crucial Role of Career</u>
Exploration

#### **MyFuture Resources**

 The Career Profile is a great entry to conversations with students



- See the <u>Career Coat of Arms</u> partner with the art teachers.
- Sustainable Development Goals gives a path into values clarification
- Work Experience Toolkit
- School to work infographics blank templates are available for students to fill in.

See Starting career conversations with demotivated students.

### **Bev Chat**

#### **Grants Guru**

If you are looking for money for your special project, check out Grants Guru at your local council. Most local councils pay to subscribe and pass on the Grants Guru information on their websites

You can subscribe yourself for free, but you are not allowed to pass on the information or be from a government organisation.

Find Government Grants at GrantConnect

## In Focus Careers Facebook Page

My Facebook page got smashed with posts from overseas universities and dog storied. I have been blocking like crazy so that it seems to be back to providing current WA information.



If you haven't totally deserted Facebook you can find current WA career information HERE.

# **Section 3 Career Calendar 2025**

# Term 1

|      | Profe  | ssional Extra  | Indigenous                                       | VET Uni  | Schools De  | fence   |                                       |
|------|--|--|--|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| Week | Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday                              |
| 4.   | 23 Feb  Navy Career Experience Application  Day in the life of a Soldier | 24 Feb  Murdoch Careers Masterclass  Innovators' Tea Party  RoboCup launch | 25 Feb   | 26 Feb  CDAA Al Webinar  | 27 Feb  | 28 Feb Applications close Year 7 - 11 Aerospace Engineering ECU  CaLD Expo Cannington  UWA Brunch and Learn | 1 March                               |
| 5    | 2 March  | 2 March<br>Labour Day<br>Accelerate Winds<br>workshop                      | 4 March UCAT Bookings Open  ECU ATSI Information | 5 March Powerof TAFE webinar  CICA Australian Labour Market    | 6 March IdeAcademy Information Night                              | 7 March   | 8 March International Women's Day     |
| 6    | 9 March  | 10 March  Innovators' Tea Party speed networking                           | 11 March   | 12 March  CDAA Breakfast  Dome East Vic  Park  CICA Al webinar | 13 March  Fogarty Scholarship webinar  BCEC Youth in Focus Launch | 14 March  Curtin Teachers;  Big Day Out   | 15 March  Girls  Programming  Network |

| Week | Sunday   | Monday                                   | Tuesday                     | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday                       |
|------|--|--|-----------------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------|
| 7    | 16 March   | 17 March                                 | 18 March                    | 19 March  VET Supporting students with disability  | 20 March  | 21 March  Young Leaders' Council   | 22 March                       |
| 8    | 23 March ECU Joondalup Open Day                                      | 24 March                                 | 25 March                    | 26 March  Psychosocial Hazards in the Workplace    | 27 March  Creativity for Schools applications close  Arts Grants applications close | 28 March  PIEFA Scholarships for teachers.                                       | 29 March                       |
| 9    | 30 March  UWA Open Day   | 31 March  Rotary 2026 Applications close | 1 April<br>April Fools' Day | 2 April  | 3 April   | 4 April  | 5 April<br>Murdoch Open<br>Day |
| 10   | 6 April  Curtin Open Day  Day in the Life of a  Soldier applications | 7 April                                  | 8. April                    | 9 April<br>CDAA Breakfast<br>Dome East Vic<br>Park | 10 April  | 11 April –<br>End of Term 1<br>Applications for<br>2025 Training<br>Awards close | 12 April                       |

# Term 1 Break

|     |     | Profes                    | ssional Som | ething different         | Indigenous | VET Uni  | Schools                 |          |
|-----|-----|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| We  | eek | Sunday                    | Monday      | Tuesday                  | Wednesday  | Thursday | Friday                  | Saturday |
|     | 1   | 13 April                  | 14 April    | 15 April  Bloom Workshop | 16 April   | 17 April | 18 April<br>Good Friday | 19 April |
| - 1 | 2   | 20 April<br>Easter Sunday | 21 April    | 22 April                 | 23 April   | 24 April | 25 April<br>Anzac Day   | 26 April |

# Term 2

| Week | Sunday   | Monday                     | Tuesday  | Wednesday | Thursday                              | Friday | Saturday |
|------|--|----------------------------|----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| 1    | 27 April   | 28 April                   | 29 April | 30 April  | 1 May                                 | 2 May  | 3 May    |
|      |  |                            |          |           | ECU Year 11 & 12 Engineering Showcase |        |          |
| 2    | 3 May  ECU Mt Lawley Open Day  A Day in the Life | 5 May<br>Curtin Big Day In | 6 Мау    | 7 May     | 8 May                                 | 9 May  | 10 May   |
|      | of a Soldier<br>applications                     |                            |          |           |                                       |        |          |

| Week | Sunday   | Monday                          | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday     | Friday                               | Saturday                    |
|------|--|---------------------------------|--|--|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 3    | 11 May   | 12 May                          | 13 May   | 14 May   | 15 May       | 16 May<br>17                         | 18 May<br>19                |
|      | Air Force<br>Careers Day<br>Applications                   | National Careers<br>Week        | Careers Expo to 18 <sup>th</sup>                               | CDAA Breakfast<br>Dome East Vic<br>Park                                    | Careers Expo | Careers Expo  UCAT Bookings deadline | Careers Expo                |
| 4    | 20 May  Careers Expo  Navy Careers Experience Applications | 19 May                          | 20 May ECU ATSI Information Session Fogarty applications close | 21 May ECU ATSI Information Session  | 22 May       | 23 May                               | 24 May  Notre Dame Open Day |
| 5    | 25 May   | 26 May                          | 27 May   | 28 May   | 29 May       | 30 May  UCAT Late bookings deadline  | 31 May                      |
| 6    | 1 June   | 2 June<br>West Australia<br>Day | 3 June   | 4 June Murdoch Year 9 & 10, Murdoch Year 11 & 12  ECU Engineering Showcase | 5 June       | 6 June UCAT Final bookings deadline  | 7 June                      |

| Week | Sunday                                     | Monday   | Tuesday                     | Wednesday  | Thursday                                   | Friday   | Saturday |
|------|--|--|-----------------------------|--|--|--|----------|
| 7    | 8 June                                     | 9 June   | 10 June  Big Day In         | 11 June<br>CDAA Breakfast<br>Dome East Vic<br>Park | 12 June Murdoch Mandurah Campus Open Night | 13 June  | 14 June  |
| 8    | 15 June                                    | 16 June  Semi-finalists for WA Training Awards notified. | 17 June                     | 18 June  | 19 June                                    | 20 June  Winthrop scholarship applications close | 21 June  |
| 9    | A Day in the Life of a Soldier application | 23 June  School Based Traineeships applications open     | 24 June                     | 25 June  | 26 June                                    | 2 June 7   | 28 June  |
| 10   | 29 June                                    | 30 June  | 1 July  UCAT Testing begins | 2 July   | 3 July                                     | 4 July  Bloom Innovation Week                    | 5 July   |

Term 2 Break

| Week | Sunday                         | Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday   | Thursday | Friday  | Saturday |
|------|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---|----------|---|----------|
| 1    | 6 July ATAR Revision Programs. | 7 July  | 8 July  | 9 July<br>10<br>CDAA Breakfast<br>Dome East Vic<br>Park | 10 July  | 11 July  NCVER No Frills Conference  WA Training Awards judging Day | 12 July  |
| 2    | 13 July                        | 14 July | 15 July | 21 July  Writing Matters  Competition                   | 17 July  | 18 July   | 19 July  |

Term 3

| Week | Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday | Thursday                                    | Friday   | Saturday |
|------|---|---------|--|-----------|---|--|----------|
| 1    | 20 July Air Force Careers Day                                     | 21 July | 22 July  | 23 July   | 24 July Careers and Employment Expo to 26th | 25 July<br>WA Training<br>Awards finalists<br>announced. | 26 July  |
| 2    | 27 July  Navy Careers  Experience  A Day in the Life of a Soldier | 28 July | 29 July  Murdoch Year  12 Application  Session | 30 July   | 31 July  ICT Explorers close 2025           | 1 August   | 2 August |

| Week | Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday     |
|------|---|--|--|---|---|---|--------------|
| 3    | 3 August  | 4 August                                       | 5 August UCAT Last testing day                     | 6 August  | 7 August  | 8 August  | 9 August     |
| 4    | 10 August   | 11 August                                      | 12 August  | 13 August   | 14 August   | 15 August   | 16 August    |
| 5    | 17 August  Resources Tech Showcase                    | 17 August                                      | 19 August  ECU ATSI Online information session     | 20 August  ECU ATSI Online information session                            | 21 August   | 22 August   | 23 August    |
| 6    | 24 August   | 25 August                                      | 26 August  | 27 August  Murdoch Nursing Open Night                                     | 28 August   | 29 August   | 30 August    |
| 7    | 31 August  A day in the Life of a Soldier             | 1 September  UCAT Results delivered to schools | 2 September  Murdoch Health & Education Open Night | 3 September  Murdoch Sciences, Technology, Engineering & Maths Open Night | 4 September  Murdoch Business, Law, Arts & social Sciences Open Night | 5 September  2025 WA Training Awards presentation  ECU Year 11&12 Engineering | 6 September  |
| 8    | 7 September Navy Careers Experience Air Force Careers | 8 September                                    | 9 September  | 10 September  | 11 September  | 12 September  | 13 September |

| ٧ | Neek | Sunday       | Monday       | Tuesday      | Wednesday    | Thursday     | Friday       | Saturday     |
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|   | 9    | 14 September | 15 September | 16 September | 17 September | 18 September | 19 September | 20 September |
|   | 10   | 21 September | 22 September | 23 September | 24 September | 25 September | 26 September | 27 September |

# Term 3 Break

| Week | Sunday                            | Monday       | Tuesday             | Wednesday                                   | Thursday                                    | Friday     | Saturday   |
|------|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---|---|------------|------------|
| 1    | 28 September                      | 29 September | 30 September        | 1 October                                   | 2 October                                   | 3 October  | 4 October  |
|      | King's Birthday                   |              | Awesome<br>Festival | Murdoch Year 9<br>& 10 A Day in the<br>Life | Murdoch Year 9<br>& 10 A Day in<br>the Llfe |            |            |
| 2    | 5 October                         | 6 October    | 7 October           | 8 October                                   | 9 October                                   | 10 October | 11 October |
|      | A Day in the Life<br>of a Soldier |              |                     |   |   |            |            |
|      | UWA WACE Revision Seminar         |              |                     |   |   |            |            |

Term 4

|      | Prof        | essional Outro                | each Indigen  | ous VET                                  | Uni Schools                        | Defence   |             |
|------|-------------|-------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|---|-------------|
| Week | Sunday      | Monday                        | Tuesday   | Wednesday                                | Thursday                           | Friday  | Saturday    |
| 1    | 12 October  | 13 October<br>Start of Term 4 | 14 October  ECU ATSI Information online                 | 15 October  ECU ATSI Information online  | 16 October                         | 17 October  | 18 October  |
| 2    | 19 October  | 20 October                    | 21 October  Murdoch Year  12 Online Information Session | 22 October                               | 23 October                         | 24 October  | 25 October  |
| 3    | 26 October  | 27 October                    | 29 October  | 29 October                               | 30 October                         | 31 October  | 1 November  |
| 4    | 2 November  | 3 November                    | 4 November  | <b>5</b> November                        | 6 November                         | 7 November  | 8 November  |
| 5    | 9 November  | 10 November                   | 11 November  ECU ATSI Information online                | 12 November  ECU ATSI Information online | 13 November  UWA Year 8  discovery | 14 November <u>UWA Year 9</u> <u>Djinanginy Day</u> | 15 November |
| 16   | 16 November | 17 November                   | 18 November   | 19 November                              | 20 November                        | 21 November   | 22 November |
| 7    | 23 November | 24 November                   | 25 November   | 26 November                              | 27 November                        | 28 November   | 29 November |

| Week | Sunday      | Monday                                 | Tuesday     | Wednesday   | Thursday                               | Friday      | Saturday    |
|------|-------------|--|-------------|-------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 8    | 30 November | 1 December                             | 2 December  | 3 December  | 4 December                             | 5 December  | 6 December  |
| 9    | 7 December  | 8 December  West Tech Fest 8  - 12 Dec | 9 December  | 10 December | 11 December                            | 12 December | 13 December |
| 10   | 14 December | 15 December                            | 16 December | 17 December | 18 December<br>End of<br>Academic Year | 19 December | 20 December |
|      | 21 December | 22 December                            | 23 December | 24 December | 25 December                            | 26 December | 27 December |