



Careers Newsletter

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JobJump - Parents and students please watch YouTube video and sign up

Sign up to JobJump for information about tertiary study options, ATAR's and apprenticeship and TAFE information. Create a resume, sign up for news alerts.

To register go to <https://www.jobjump.com.au/>

Search school – St Pius X Chatswood

Register with an email address (use a private address, not spx)

Password – pius (lower case)

Parent information: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZoyckJwvVq&feature=youtu.be>

Defence Force Information Sessions – NSW – February

February 5

[Sydney: Officer Careers Information Session](#)

Wednesday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | Sydney Defence Force Recruiting Centre

February 17

[Sydney: Defence Careers Information Session](#)

Monday | 6.30pm – 8.30pm | Sydney Defence Force Recruiting Centre

UOW College | Information Evenings

South Western Sydney: 11 February 2020, 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Are you looking to study in 2020 and don't know what to do? Don't worry! We've got you covered.

Find out how completing the 14 week University Access Program can provide you entry to a degree at UOW. Classes start in March. This is a great opportunity to meet our staff and ask any questions you may have and get personal advice how UOW College can help you meet your study and career goals.

If you already have an offer to study at UOW College for Autumn 2020 and have questions about your course or how to enrol online, this event is also for you.

Register for South Western Sydney:

<https://studentcrm.uow.edu.au/Ellucian.ERecruiting.Web.External/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?id=780efec8-8336-ea11-8163-005056814cdc>

Liberating Education

The Hotel School | Information Session

13 February 2020, 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

The Hotel School, Sydney

If you're still unsure which path to take, come and talk to some of our graduates working in the industry for a glimpse of your future.

This event is a unique opportunity to hear from our graduates now working in hotel management. If you're still unsure which path to take, come and talk to some of our graduates working in the industry for a glimpse of what your future career would look like. Learn how they achieved their roles and how they have leveraged their education and connections from The Hotel School to forge a 5-star career.

Find out more: <https://hotelschool.scu.edu.au/events/still-undecided-about-what-to-study-sydney-campus/>

WEP | Student Exchange Info Sessions

North Sydney: 20 February 2020, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Have all your questions answered at one of WEP's public information sessions. They're free and provide you and your parents the opportunity to meet the WEP team, hear from returned students and ask us questions.

Come along, we'll save you a seat!

Find out more: <https://wep.org.au/lets-talk/sessions/>

WEP | Student Exchange Online Info Session

5 March 2020, 6:00 pm

Online

Imagine making friends from all over the world, learning about yourself and the world around you and seeing sights you could only dream of!

Find out more about your high school student exchange options at WEP's online info session.

Find out more: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Y3uJ5QHHSCuH-bO2rYil9g

WSU | Public Astronomy Night – Gravity

8 February 2020, 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Western Sydney University Penrith Observatory

Have you ever wondered about gravity? What is this invisible force that stops us from flying off into space as our planet rotates? How does the Moon stay in orbit around Earth? Why is the gravity of a black hole so strong?

Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome and viewing of the night sky through a range of telescopes (weather permitting).

Find out more:

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on

iCanMed | Free UCAT Workshop: How to Finish Your UCAT Study During Term 1 & 2

Central Sydney: 16 February 2020, 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

After talking to around 400 iCanMed students who scored above 3000+ (96th percentile) on the 2019 UCAT, we found that they spent an average of 250-300 hours preparing for the UCAT. However, it wasn't just about the amount of time they spent on preparation—how they distributed their study time and what they did during their study were also important factors that led to their exam-day success.

On the other hand, poor organisation or bad time management may affect your ability to perform your best at school/university.

In this 3-hour workshop, we will be:

1. Revealing a Term 1 & 2 timeline, including weekly preparation goals, time allocations and study milestones to help keep you on track
2. Identifying the most common mistakes that cause students to waste valuable UCAT time
3. Outlining optimal methods for preparing for the UCAT (minimum time, maximum return)
4. Sitting a short mock test, followed by live step-by-step teaching of the most commonly-asked Section 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 questions
5. Explaining why most students who wait until Term 2 to start UCAT preparation have a high chance of failure

Register for Western Sydney: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/free-ucat-workshop-west-syd-how-to-finish-your-ucat-study-during-term-1-2-recommended-timeline-tickets-91743767077>

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CSU | Explore Days

Port Macquarie: 10 March 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Bathurst: 17 March 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Albury-Wodonga: 24 March 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Wagga Wagga: 31 March 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Orange: 28 April 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

If you're in Year 10, 11 or 12, Explore Day is your chance to check out what university is really like. Choose from a range of workshops at Charles Sturt University and find out which uni courses are right for you.

Find out more: <https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events/explore-day>

AFTT | 2-Day Acting & Film Workshop

15 April 2020, 9:30 am - 16 April 2020, 5:00 pm

Academy of Film, Theatre & Television, Surry Hills

Come along to our introductory workshop and learn what a career in the acting and film industry would be like. This program is a great opportunity to visit our campus and experience the way we teach our students as we showcase acting and film in a concise two day workshop. This is a very hands on program in which students will have a chance to interact, use state of the art equipment and learn new techniques.

Find out more: <https://www.aftt.edu.au/events/high-school-workshop/2-day-acting-film>

NIDA Term 1 Classes 2020

Explore your creativity with NIDA's term classes. Designed specifically for children and young people, NIDA offers a fun and supportive learning environment that unlocks creative potential and builds confidence.

NIDA offers introductory through to advanced courses for children and young people during the school term in a variety of disciplines including creative play, drama, acting on screen, music theatre, singing & acting, public speaking and more.

Term classes are offered on weekends or afternoons in:

- Sydney (Kensington, Chatswood, Glebe, Parramatta, Kellyville and Summer Hill)

Course dates for Term 1:

- Sydney classes run 8 February – 2 April

Find out more and book a class here: <https://www.open.nida.edu.au/term-classes>

Experience a Week as a Marine Biologist with IMAS

Applications are now open for year 11 & 12 students from around the country who would like to participate in IMAS & UTAS's "A Practical Introduction to Temperate Marine Biology" course during the April school holidays.

This predominately field-based unit consists of 5 days on picturesque Maria Island on the Tasmanian East Coast. The unit is open to only 24 students and is designed to engage, challenge, excite and inspire you through a hands-on marine science program.

Upon completion of the course, you will also earn credit for one unit towards your degree at the University of Tasmania.

Liberating Education

When you apply, you automatically go into the running to win one of nine scholarships to fully fund your marine biologist experience. Scholarship package includes:

- Accommodation, airport transfers and return economy airfares from your nearest capital city to Hobart for our five interstate recipients
- Transport from Hobart to Maria Island return, including ferry crossings
- All catering while on Maria Island
- Hire of all required diving and survey gear
- Field excursion fee of \$645 for the program “A Practical Introduction to Temperate Marine Biology”

Interested? You can find out more and apply here:

<https://www.imas.utas.edu.au/study/undergraduate/marinediscoverycompetition>

Study Journalism Online with JSchool

JSchool is an online college that specialises in courses in journalism. They are now offering two of their diploma’s introductory subjects to high school students: “Introduction to Journalism” and “Shorthand”.

Introduction to Journalism (JR101) is a practical subject that teaches students the basics of reporting and news writing. The shorthand subject (JR100) uses the Teeline method to give students skills in speed writing.

The two subjects can be studied over the summer semester (from December to February) or during the March to June or July to October semesters.

The subjects can be studied online from anywhere in the country.

Find out more and apply here: <https://jschool.com.au/journalism/journalism-opportunity-for-senior-school-students/>

Scholarships

Choosi Futures Grant Program

Value: \$5,000

Open/Closing Dates: January 15, 2020 – October 31, 2020

The Choosi Futures Grant Program offers financial assistance to those studying the health, fitness and medical disciplines to help them, help others lead healthy lives.

1. To be eligible, you must be enrolled full-time in an accredited Australian Education Institution and be studying for a certificate, diploma, degree or traineeship in any of the following areas:
 - Medicine

- Health Sciences & Healthcare industry
- Specialist healthcare
- 2. Only citizens or permanent residents of Australia can apply.
- 3. You must have reached 18 years of age to enter.

[Find out more](#)

Macquarie ISSP Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship

Value: \$2,755 per year

Open/Closing Dates: November 30, 2019 – February 21, 2020

The ISSP Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship is funded by the Commonwealth Government. It assists undergraduate Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students with demonstrated financial hardship to meet the costs associated with higher education.

Student must be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. Students who have a completed Bachelor degree or higher award at a tertiary institution will not be considered for Macquarie equity scholarships.

[Find out more](#)

UoS Charles Herbert Currey Memorial Scholarship

Value: Up to \$7,000

Open/Closing Dates: February 1, 2020 – March 30, 2020

This scholarship aims to support students who have experienced disadvantage or hardship to participate in an exchange or short-term mobility program.

You must:

- be enrolled in an undergraduate degree in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- have been accepted into a University of Sydney exchange program or short-term mobility program
- demonstrate at least one of the following:
 - identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person
 - have carer responsibilities
 - have a long-term medical condition or ongoing effects of abuse
 - be a person with a disability
 - hold refugee status
 - regional or remote disadvantage
 - have sole parent responsibilities

- other individual or family disadvantage.

[Find out more](#)

Gallipoli Scholarship

Value: \$6,000

Open/Closing Dates: January 1, 2020 – March 1, 2020

You are invited to apply for a Gallipoli Scholarship to assist your first year of tertiary study either at university or TAFE (the latter at Degree, Diploma or Advanced Diploma level).

An applicant for the Scholarship must:

- Have qualified and been accepted to undertake tertiary study at University or TAFE (the latter at Diploma or Advanced Diploma level).
- Be able to show necessitous circumstances through ill health of family members, death, separation from parents or guardians, unexpected financial loss or asset reduction that would otherwise prevent the applicant's full-time attendance at university or TAFE.
- Be in receipt of or be eligible to receive Youth Allowance, ABSTUDY or a similar Government benefit. This must be supported by relevant documentation in the form of the client registration number showing date of application and/or the decision in relation to the application
- Be an Australian citizen.
- Be a direct descendant of an Australian serviceman or servicewoman who served in either World War I or World War II.
- Be under 25 years of age on 1 March in the year of application.
- Commence their first year of university or TAFE studies (the latter at Degree, Diploma or Advanced Diploma level) in the year of application and be studying full-time.

[Find out more](#)

Competitions

Wombat Books Illustration Challenge 2020

Wombat Books are seeking original illustrations from Australian school-aged students (aged 5 – 18) to publish in a unique picture book by the team at Wombat Books.

The Challenge has been established in order to provide aspiring young illustrators with the opportunity to be published in a professionally produced children's book and gain an introduction into the world of illustrating.

Winning illustrations will be published in a new book which is due for release in 2021. Illustrators will receive two free copies of the book. They will be acknowledged on the Wombat Books website and social media.

Entries are open until Monday 30 November.

Find out more and enter here:

<https://www.wombatbooks.com.au/index.php/competitions/2020-illustration-challenge>

Further Learning

Thinking of Studying Medicine at the University of Melbourne?

If you are wanting to study the University of Melbourne's Doctor of Medicine (MD), you might want to consider starting with their Bachelor of Biomedicine.

The Bachelor of Biomedicine provides a solid foundation in biomedical science, and some subjects count as prior knowledge for the MD. This means that you can free up some more time during the MD to explore other subjects or specialise further in biomedicine.

But you don't have to do the Bachelor of Biomedicine to guarantee entry into the MD; in 2022, the University is removing prerequisite subjects as selection criteria for entry into the MD. This means you can get a spot even if you haven't studied any science or health related subjects in your previous degree.

Read more about the upcoming changes to the Doctor of Medicine and the Bachelor of Biomedicine here: <https://biomedicalsciences.unimelb.edu.au/news-and-events/the-bachelor-of-biomedicine-justgotevenbetter>

Study Law in France with Notre Dame

The University of Notre Dame has just announced a partnership with the Institut Catholique de Paris (ICP) in France, enabling Notre Dame Law students to undertake part of their studies overseas.

Students studying the Master of Law from July 2020 will be able to complete a semester of study at ICP in the heart of Paris. In return, students from ICP will also come to study in Australia.

There are future plans for further involvement between Notre Dame and ICP, including a potential student immersion program in Paris.

Find out more about the new development here: <https://www.notredame.edu.au/news-items/institut-catholique-de-paris>

Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Apprenticeship

MIGAS are currently taking applications for an Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Apprentice based in Homebush.

Undertaking this four-year apprenticeship will give you the opportunity to become a qualified in Air conditioning and Refrigeration and earn your Certificate III in Engineering – Mechanical Trade.

You will develop the skills to install, set up, test, fault find, repair and maintain air con and refrigeration systems and equipment that apply to the transport industry, from small delivery vans to semi-truck trailers and rail containers.

Must haves:

- Have completed a minimum of Year 10 schooling
- Hold a valid driver's licence
- Have strong attention to detail and mechanical aptitude
- Demonstrate safety awareness and maturity in an industrial environment

Find out more and apply here: <https://www.migas.com.au/jobs/view/air-conditioning-and-refrigeration-apprenticeship-5256>

Resources

Our top 10 Job Spotlights

One of the resources we provide at Study Work Grow are our regular job spotlights.

We select a huge variety of jobs and industries, breaking them down to provide information that could help you decide if it's an option for you.

They provide information about the skills you'll need, examples of daily duties, salaries, industry growth and most importantly, the pathways that could get you there.

Here's our most popular ones to date:

1. **Visual Merchandiser**

Attract customers into stores and maximise sales.

2. **App Developer**

Transform ideas into actual products to be launched and used on designated platforms.

3. **Interior Designer**

Create interior spaces that are functional, safe, and beautiful.

4. **Childcare / Early Childhood Education**

Nurture, teach, socialise and care for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers.

5. **Air Traffic Controller**

Become one of the ground-based personnel responsible for direct aircraft on the ground, in controlled airspace, as well as provide advice for aircraft in non-controlled airspace.

6. **Architect**

Develop concepts for buildings and other structures, then create the images and plans necessary to build them.

7. **Intelligence Security Industry**

Be part of the industry working to protect and promote Australia's national interests and security.

8. **Sport and Fitness Industry**

Help people get fitter, stay healthier and have fun.

9. **Medical Doctor**

Be the person heading a team responsible for diagnosing and treating people when they're sick, injured or in need of other help.

10. **Lifeguard**

Save lives and keep people safe in and around water.

Your Digital Reputation

A lot of the time we don't think twice before posting something on social media. But your social media accounts can become an "online resume" that employers, universities and other people can easily look up, and it might affect your reputation.

You can do a quick Google search of yourself and see what comes up. Think about if you had applied for a job and were looking at your profile from the perspective of the boss – does this look like someone you would want to hire?

Of course, this doesn't mean you need to stop having a social media presence altogether. Be mindful of what you post and what others tag you in. Take some time to check the privacy settings on your social media accounts. And if you're not 100% sure about something, just don't post it.

You can find heaps more online safety tips and tricks on the eSafety Commissioner website here: <https://www.esafety.gov.au/young-people/your-digital-reputation>

Tips to Ace High School from a Tennis Prodigy

Amelija Swaffer-Selff has just finished high school, graduating with an impressive OP1 – all while training to become one of the next great tennis players.

From the small town of Moura in Queensland, she shared some tips with the ABC that helped her balance school and sports successfully.

Of course, dedication, hard work and motivation are a big part of her success. At the end of the day, giving it your best shot means more than being naturally gifted.

Amelija and her parents also say that living in a rural town doesn't have to be a barrier – though there are some disadvantages, you are just as capable as anyone else.

"Focus on chasing your goals and being a good person at the same time," she said.

Now, Amelija is on her way to study law and hone her tennis skills in Tennessee, USA.

Read more about Amelija's journey through high school here:

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2020-01-28/tennis-ace-tips-for-smashing-the-final-year-of-high-school/11857894>

Want to become a ballkid?

Ball boys and ball girls are an important part of the professional tennis scene. Responsible for picking up used and providing new balls to the players out on the courts, they keep the game going safely and smoothly.

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So if you've been inspired while watching the Australian Open and are keen to get out on the court yourself, why not sign up for the [National BallKid Program](#) and turn your dreams into reality.

How to become a ball boy or girl in Australia

- Be aged between 11 and 17 years old
- Register your interest in the National Ballkid Program by completing the [online application form](#)

If you're selected, you'll have to attend trials at the National Training Centre.

Making the cut at trials means you'll have to attend the 4 month training program, which *could* mean you'll be selected as one of the 360 ball boys and ball girls taking part in the Australian Open.

You won't get paid for your hours spend on court, but you'll be supplied with the official uniform (which you'll be allowed to keep), get a food allowance to use, and might receive tickets for to give to your family and friends.

Future opportunities for ballkids

Taking part in the Australian Open could open doors for you to attend international tournaments and matches.

After the age of 16 if you'd like to progress your career, there's always the option to train as a [linesperson](#), [umpire](#), or work in other [court services](#).

Skillsroad Job Fit Test

Wanting to know if you would be a perfect fit for your dream career? It can be hard if you haven't had any experience before.

Skillsroad has developed a quick quiz you can take to test whether you are "job fit" for more than 300 careers.

Find out more and take the quiz here: <https://www.skillsroad.com.au/get-career-advice/job-fit-test>

Macquarie Walanga Muru Tutorial Program

The Walanga Muru tutorial program (WMTP) is a Commonwealth-funded program designed to close the gap that exists between the educational outcomes of Indigenous Australians and other Australians in tertiary education. The program provides free tutoring for Indigenous undergraduate students for 20 hours per subject per semester, and 5 hours per subject for postgraduate students.

WMTP assistance is a useful tool for any undergraduate Indigenous student, whether you have average pass grades or high distinctions. It's a great way to get individualised assistance in areas that you may need improvement on, such as specific content, referencing, academic research processes, exam preparation or essay writing skills, as well as developing the outstanding skills you already have.

If you are thinking of studying at Macquarie University, this could be a helpful support service.

Find out more here: <https://students.mq.edu.au/support/indigenous-students/walanga-muru-tutorial-program>

Job Spotlight

Professional Tennis Player

What do they do?

Professional tennis players follow an international circuit competing in tennis matches. Entering tournaments, playing in exhibition games, and making business deals including sponsorships and other endorsements.

If you're highly competitive, have a passion for tennis, and are willing to commit to long hours of training, you might have what it takes to become the next world number one.

Skills required:

- Natural ability, dedication and persistence
- High level of fitness including speed, stamina, and strength
- Have great reactions, exceptional coordination and be quick thinking
- Possess great focus, self-control, and motivation
- Be competitive and confident with a positive, winning, mentality
- Committed to an intensive training program and competition circuit

How to become a professional tennis player in Australia

While there are no academic qualifications that'll ensure you become a tennis player on the professional circuit, you can give yourself the best chance by:

- Starting young and [training hard](#)
- Sign up for tennis lessons to learn the basics e.g. [ANZ Tennis Hotshots](#)
- [Find a qualified coach](#) to work with and develop your skills
- Progress your abilities and [learn how to compete](#) by taking part in as many events as possible
- Volunteer at tennis events, sign up as a [ballkid](#), take as many opportunities as possible to get experience in all areas of the industry

Then consider

- Joining an enrichment program such as [Talent](#) Tennis Australia's Athlete Development Pathway
- Get yourself discovered by talent scouts in your state. You could contact them directly, or sign up for [competitions](#), plan to attend as many events and workshops as possible
- Signing up for the [International Tours Program](#) if you're aged 18 or under and meet the eligibility requirements.
- Attending one of the 7 [National Tennis Academies](#)
- Apply for Athletic Scholarships that could help you improve your skills, keep competing and obtain a degree at the same time e.g. [US College Athletics Scholarship program](#)

Average salary is impossible to calculate for this career, as earnings are dependent upon the number of tournaments won and endorsement deals made. However, if you make it to the top 90 world players – be rest assured you'll have the opportunity to earn lots of money. It's also worth noting tennis players have to cover their expenses including travel, accommodation, coaching, and entering competitions (as well as taxes).

Other careers to consider

If you love tennis, there are plenty of other career options you could consider including:

Coaching

Umpiring

Linesperson

Broadcast

Reporter / Journalist

Sports administration

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