



KSC Career News March 2024

Welcome

The end of Term 1 is fast approaching and Easter. It will be great for students to have a good rest and recharge over the 2 week break. Please see below the latest in University and TAFE news.

Year 12 News

The Careers Team would like all Year 12 students to book in to make a Careers appointment before the end of Term 1. Please go to favourites in compass and click on Koonung Careers. There is a button with Booking on it. Click on this and select a time that is suitable. It must be in one of your free periods.

Please remember to look at Compass Newsfeed as we will continue to share information from the Universities and TAFEs about upcoming events or course information.

Year 11 News

Year 11 students can book a Careers Interview if they would like. This can be done online on the Koonung Careers Website by clicking on the button 'Book Appointments'.

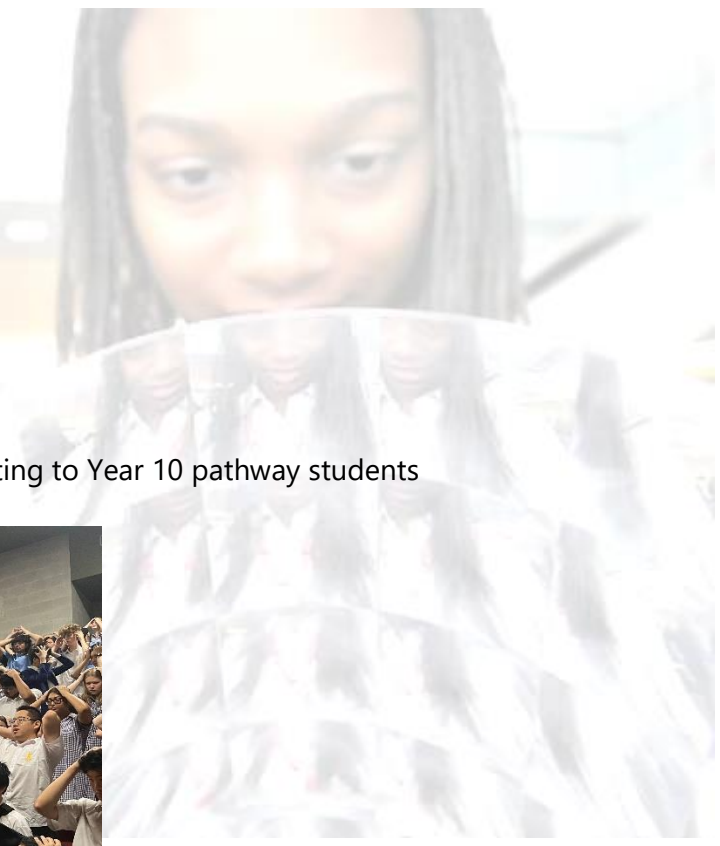
Year 11 students should continue to look at Compass Newsfeeds as we will share information from the Universities and TAFEs about upcoming events or course information.

Year 10 News

Year 10 students **need to secure Work Experience placements for June 24th to June 28th, 2024**. Students will be exploring Work Experience options during their weekly Pathways class. Students must have their **placements by the end of 1st Term**.

Year 10 Pathways had Tyson Day from **Arrive and Thrive** spoke and engaged young people to learn and develop skills to thrive in their careers that they are exploring.





Tyson Day from Arrive and Thrive presenting to Year 10 pathway students





Included in this newsletter:

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UniMelb | Hansen Scholarship Program application support webinar

March 20, 2024

Join us for this one-hour webinar to maximise your chances of being selected for the [Hansen Scholarship Program](#).

With applications **open from 5 February to 3 April 2024**, this will be your opportunity to:

- Learn more about the eligibility criteria and application process
- Discover tips on how to submit a competitive application
- Hear from a current Hansen Scholar who will share their experiences about the program and answer any of your questions.

[Find out more](#)

Monash | Year 10 Discovery Day

April 5, 2024

Have you been thinking about your future – what you should study, how to get the best study outcomes, and what's it like to be a Monash student? Year 10 Discovery Day is for you!

[Find out more](#)





AIM | School Holiday Workshops

Music Theatre: April 8 to 9, 2024

Performance & Songwriting: April 11 to 12, 2024

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

[Register for Music Theatre](#)

[Register for Performance & Songwriting](#)

AIE | Industry Experience Day

April 11 to April 17, 2024

AIE's Industry Experience Day is a great opportunity for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to learn about the local and international game development, 3D animation and visual effects industries. Students will get the opportunity to learn about the different pathways to get into the industry, what should be in a portfolio and will be able to get creative in practical workshops using industry-standard 3D animation and game development tools.

The sessions are run by industry professionals who have worked on some blockbuster games and films. Everything is provided for you to participate in the hands-on workshops and you will be using the same software that is used in the industry.

[Find out more](#)

Holmesglen Institute | Open Day, April 2024

April 18, 2024

Open Day is a great opportunity for you to meet with teachers, explore our campuses and study facilities, and get a feel for Holmesglen life. Our sessions include presentations, tours and Q&As – perfect for helping you map out your future study and career plans. Plus, our friendly team is also available to help you apply on the day.

[Find out more](#)





VCE and Careers Expo 2024

May 2 to May 4, 2024

Australia's biggest education and careers event is now in its 32nd year in a new, bigger venue!

Our exhibitors include:

- universities, TAFE colleges and training providers
- providers of VCE resources, information and services
- organisations with apprenticeship information and opportunities
- organisations with employment opportunities
- organisations with cadetship opportunities
- career advisers and student support services
- providers of tutoring services, lecture and study skills programs
- providers of international exchange and GAP year programs
- providers of youth services and programs

Attend seminars on topics including:

- VCE subjects
- Subject selection advice for Year 10 students
- Tertiary courses
- Careers
- Employment opportunities
- Study advice
- Gap year options

[Find out more](#)

Collarts | Open Day 2024

May 11, 2024

At our Collarts On-Campus Open Day, we invite you to come and experience all things Collarts life: from our passion for creativity, close community, state-of-the-art facilities, expert faculty, and more.

[Find out more](#)





Victorian Careers Show 2024

May 16 to May 18, 2024

The Victorian Careers Show, in its 4th year in 2024, follows on from the success of our flagship event, the VCE and Careers Expo.

[Find out more](#)

BiG Day In, Melbourne

May 30, 2024

Join us at The Capitol – RMIT University on Thursday 30 May for BiG Day In Melbourne. Bring your Year 9-12 students to learn where a STEM career can take you. Hear from organisations such as Wisetech Global, Adobe, Australian Signals Directorate & more to come.

[Find out more](#)

Victoria Police | Careers Information Session - Online Webinar

March 25, 2024

Victoria Police is hosting an online information session for members of the community who are interested in a career with Victoria Police.

Hear from us about the recruitment process and training at the Police Academy. It's also your opportunity to ask questions you have about police careers and pathways.

[Find out more](#)

Quantum Victoria | Tall Poppy Experience

March 26, 2024

Students engage with Tall Poppy Award recipients as they share their research in their specific STEM field.

Students rotate through several workshops and participate in a Q&A Session with the Tall Poppies during the day.

[Find out more](#)





Monash | Information Evenings

Peninsula: March 26, 2024

Warrnambool: March 27, 2024

We know that choosing a university is a big decision, especially if you don't live in Melbourne. Monash Information Evenings are the perfect opportunity to have your questions answered on everything you wanted to know about undergraduate study at Monash.

You'll hear about:

- our 10 diverse study and discipline areas
- undergraduate course types, such as our comprehensive and specialist courses, double degrees and pathway programs
- international opportunities including study abroad and overseas tours
- how to apply – everything need to know about VTAC, key dates and deadlines
- scholarships and fees
- Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) and the Monash Guarantee
- accommodation options, both on and off campus.

[Register for Peninsula](#)

[Register for Warrnambool](#)

Victoria Police | Life at the Academy – Online Webinar

March 27, 2024

Victoria Police is hosting an online information session for members of the community who are interested in a career with Victoria Police but are unsure on what to expect at the Academy.

Hear from us about training at the Academy for Police Officers, Protective Services Officers, and Police Custody Officers – this includes in-depth details about what to expect each week, as well as an insight into exams and training. We will dive deep into the facilities (including on-site accommodation!), salary and support. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask members questions about their time at the Academy.

[Find out more](#)





Scholarships

University of Melbourne Hansen Scholarship

Opens: February 5, 2024

Closes: April 3, 2024

The Hansen Scholarship Program aspires to nurture and significantly expand the horizons of Australian students who may otherwise struggle to access a high-quality university education.

[Find out more](#)

ANU George Alexander Foundation Scholarship

Opens: March 1, 2024

Closes: May 13, 2024

Each year the Australian National University may offer up to five awards known as the George Alexander Foundation Scholarships. The objectives of this award are to support commencing students who must move from rural, regional or remote areas in order to undertake an undergraduate degree at the University, and students who demonstrate strong academic merit, community involvement and leadership potential.

[Find out more](#)

Aurora Internship Program Indigenous Scholarships

Opens: January 1, 2024

Closes: December 31, 2024

The Internship Program continues to focus on supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and graduates via internships as pathways to jobs in Indigenous organisations and other organisations working in the Indigenous sector.

[Find out more](#)

University of Sydney Extended Bachelor Program Scholarship

Opens: April 3, 2024

Closes: October 31, 2024

A scholarship and support package valued at up to \$20,000 per year for Aboriginal and





Torres Strait Islander students commencing one of our Extended Bachelor Programs.

[Find out more](#)

Workplace Spotlight

How to become an Urban Planner

Urban planners develop and implement plans and policies surrounding the development and use of land. They work on a variety of projects, including designing new neighbourhoods, revitalising existing infrastructure, and even zoning areas of ecological and environmental importance. As populations grow and cities expand, their work is essential to creating sustainable and liveable places for us to live and work.

If you are creative, innovative, and great at solving problems, becoming an urban planner could be a rewarding career to consider.

What skills do I need as an urban planner?

- Innovative & forward-thinking
- Analytical & thorough
- Good research skills
- Eye for design
- Excellent problem-solver
- Great communicator
- Can work in teams
- Organised & precise

What tasks can I expect to do?

- Collect data on factors influencing land use
- Carry out site surveys, inspections & impact assessments
- Consult with governments, communities, developers & other professionals
- Create detailed plans, designs & cost reports
- Present plans & reports to stakeholders
- Mediate planning issues & disputes
- Ensure laws & regulations are followed
- Advise on resource use & planning





What industries do urban planners typically work in?

- Public Administration & Safety
- Professional, Scientific & Technical Services
- Construction

What kind of lifestyle can I expect as an urban planner?

Most urban planners work full-time, with part-time opportunities being very rare. On the flip side, you're unlikely to have to work on weekends or holidays.

Urban planners typically work for councils, government bodies, or private firms. You'll be required to attend lots of meetings and occasionally conduct site visits, but some of your work can also be done from remotely from home.

Most urban planners can expect to earn an above average salary.

How to become an urban planner

To become an urban planner, you typically need a bachelor's or master's degree in urban or regional planning, geography, or another related field. This education includes coursework in land use, zoning, transportation planning, environmental planning, and community development. Many programs also include internships or practical components that provide hands-on experience in the field.

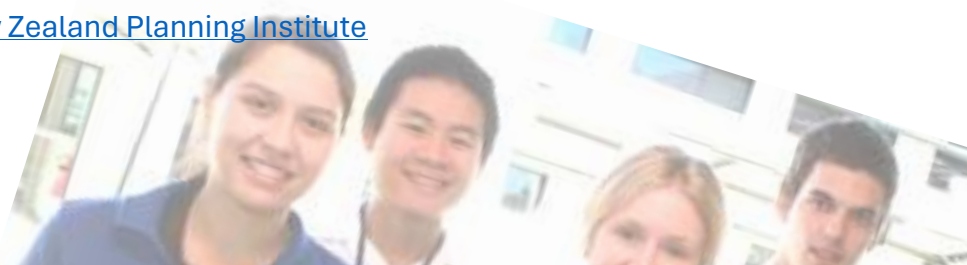
Additionally, some countries and states require urban planners to be licensed, which may involve passing an exam and/or meeting certain education and experience requirements.

If you're in high school now and are thinking of becoming an urban planner, here are some steps you could take:

- Start researching university courses and take any prerequisite subjects at school. Seek out work experience opportunities to gain skills, build your networks, and explore your future options.
- Practise using [GIS](#) tools, statistical software, spreadsheets, and other useful database and software programs. You could even look for short courses to learn how to use these tools and programs.
- Get involved in your local community and explore the issues that people are concerned with in your town. Develop your understanding of the social, environmental, and legal factors that influence urban planning, and look at previous suggestions or plans that have worked or failed.

Find out more here:

- [Planning Institute Australia](#)
- [Te Kōkiringa Taumata | New Zealand Planning Institute](#)





- [The Town and Country Planning Association \(UK\)](#)
- [Institúid Pleanála Na hÉireann | Irish Planning Institute](#)
- [American Planning Association](#)
- [Canadian Institute of Planners](#)

Similar careers to urban planner

- Surveyor
- Civil Engineer
- Interior Designer
- Builder
- Project Manager
- Landscape Designer
- Architect
- Remote Sensing Scientist

Find out more about [alternative careers](#).

