

## Welcome

Welcome to our June Careers Newsletter for the School Newsletter. We are now going into the cooler weather and the students will be looking forward to a relaxing school holidays. Please see below the latest in University and TAFE news.

## Yr 12 News

Year 12 students can book an interview on the Koonung Careers Website. If you are unsure about what you want to do in 2027 or unsure about your VTAC preferences please book in for a Careers Interview. If you would like to apply for SEAS (Equity Scheme) please book in for a Careers Interview and we can discuss what you need to start looking into for a SEAS Application in your VTAC Application.

All Year 12 students will have a **compulsory** one on one interview in Term 3 to discuss VTAC Preferences and Career pathways. To book go onto the Koonung Careers Website and click on the Booking button. You will be able to select a time during your free periods.

## Yr 11 News

Year 11 students can book a Careers Interview on the Koonung Careers Website. To book go onto the Koonung Careers Website and click on the Booking button. You will be able to select a time during your free periods.

## Yr 10 News

Year 10 students will be doing Compulsory Work Experience. We are Introducing digital work experience forms.

Work Experience will run from 22<sup>nd</sup> June to 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2026.

Year 10 students must complete their Safe at Work General and Industrial Modules before they go on Work Experience.

### ***Included in this newsletter:***

- Information Sessions
- Scholarships
- Job Spotlight

## Information Sessions





Discover Speech Pathology at Monash

**Organisation:** Monash University

**Location:** Online

**Date:** May 26, 2026

Discover what it's like to study Speech Pathology at Monash.

Join us for an informative session where we'll discuss the course structure and career outcomes.

[Find out more](#)

Discover the Bachelor of Learning Design and Technology at Monash

**Organisation:** Monash University

**Location:** Online

**Date:** May 26, 2026

Shape the future of learning with the Bachelor of Learning Design and Technology.

Designed with industry leaders to ensure graduates are at the forefront of learning design, this course provides highly transferable skills including project management, leadership, critical thinking and data-driven decision-making.

[Find out more](#)

Swinburne Study Expo | Wantirna

**Organisation:** Swinburne University of Technology

**Location:** WA Foyer, Wantirna campus

**Date:** May 27, 2026

If you're thinking about studying at Swinburne, our Study Expo is your chance to explore courses, get expert advice and find the right path for you.

Browse options across all study levels – undergraduate to postgraduate to TAFE and UniLink – and talk one-on-one with the people who know them best.

What you can do at the expo

- Chat one-on-one with academics and teaching staff about your plans and career outcomes
- Tour our campuses and facilities
- Find out what your first semester looks like – course content, subjects, majors and electives
- Get prerequisites and application steps for your situation, including if you're transferring from another uni
- Learn about fees, scholarships, Free TAFE, Commonwealth Supported Places (CSPs), and full degree costs

[Find out more](#)

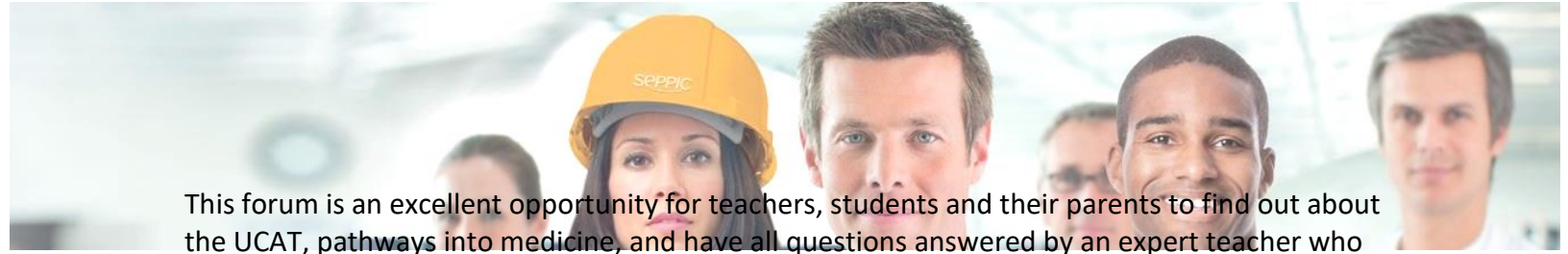
UCAT, GAMSAT and Pathways into Medicine – Webinar for Students, Teachers & Parents

**Organisation:** National Institute of Education

**Location:** Online

**Date:** May 27, 2026





This forum is an excellent opportunity for teachers, students and their parents to find out about the UCAT, pathways into medicine, and have all questions answered by an expert teacher who has been working in the field since 1999.

The session is packed with invaluable information during which we will be covering the following topics, and more:

- What is UCAT? UCAT scores? UCAT Sub-tests?
- Year 10, 11 and 12 - things to consider now
- The undergraduate selection criteria
- Application process into universities for medicine and dentistry
- When and who can sit the UCAT?
- GAMSAT
- Can you prepare for the UCAT?
- Undergraduate interview process
- What, how and why about Gap Year?
- Alternative degrees and career choices
- Work experience advice
- Q&A

[Find out more](#)



Discover Global Relations, Politics and Economics at Monash

**Organisation:** Monash University

**Location:** Monash University, Clayton Campus

**Date:** May 28, 2026

Find out about the unique aspects of each degree and how they can shape your future:

- Bachelor of International Relations
- Bachelor of Global Studies
- Bachelor of Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Discover how each degree offers a global perspective, designed to be both challenging and enriching. Hear from alumni, students and scholars who are addressing the major issues of today and tomorrow, who are making a positive impact worldwide.

[Find out more](#)

Year 12 & Early Entry with ADHD – Webinar for Students & Parents

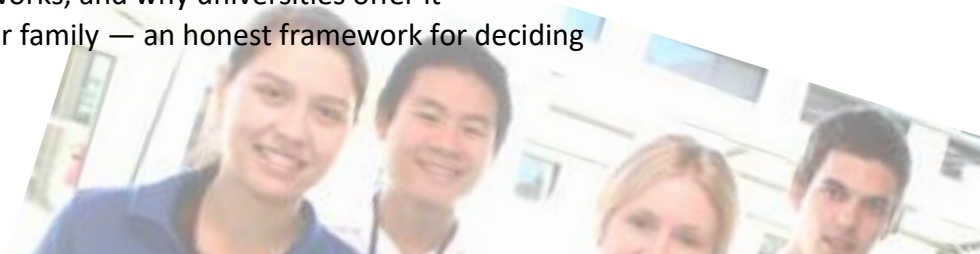
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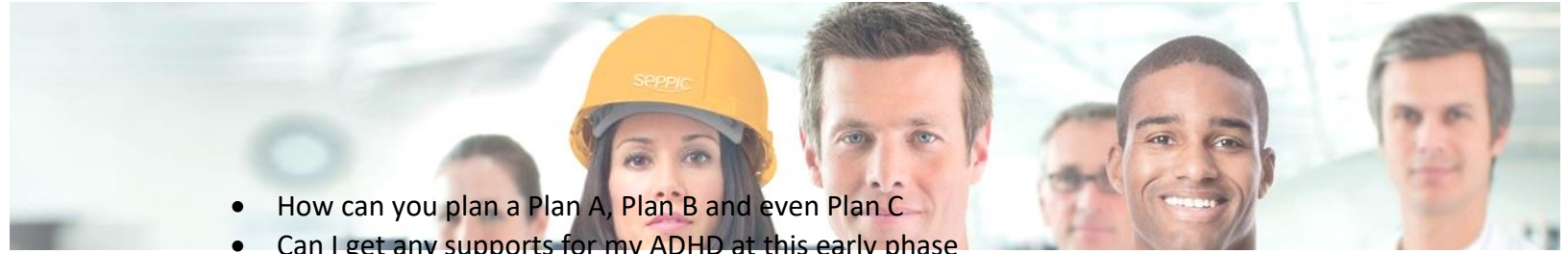
**Location:** Online

**Date:** May 28, 2026

Early Entry can feel like the answer to a lot of anxiety. Lock something in early, take the pressure off the ATAR, give your teen something to aim for. But for families with an ADHD teen, the decision is rarely that straightforward — and the process itself can create as many problems as it solves.

What we'll cover:

- What Early Entry is, how it works, and why universities offer it
  - Is it actually worth it for your family — an honest framework for deciding
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- How can you plan a Plan A, Plan B and even Plan C
  - Can I get any supports for my ADHD at this early phase
  - Best approaches to effective parental support
  - Q&A

Hosted by [Claire Pech](#), CICA-Accredited Careers Practitioner, and [Amanda Krulis](#), endorsed Organisational Psychologist.

View the [full series of webinars](#) for the ADHD community on all things careers, schooling and the workforce.

[Find out more](#)

Discover Teaching and Learning Design at Monash Clayton

**Organisation:** Monash University

**Location:** Monash University, Clayton Campus

**Date:** May 28, 2026

Teachers play a critical role in helping children prepare for their future, equipping them with skills they need to become successful members of society and the leaders of tomorrow. Learn all you need to know about our Bachelor of Education (Honours), education double-degrees and pathways to the Number 1 Faculty of Education in Australia.

[Find out more](#)

The Hotel School

Tourism Insights – Year 12 Student Experience, Melbourne

**Organisation:** The Hotel School Australia

**Location:** CentrePiece at Melbourne Park

**Date:** May 30, 2026

An exclusive opportunity for Year 12 students to experience CentrePiece at Melbourne Park, one of Melbourne’s most innovative conference and events venue, and explore exciting career pathways within the tourism and hospitality industry.

[Find out more](#)

Swinburne Study Expo | Croydon

**Organisation:** Swinburne University of Technology

**Location:** CG Foyer, Croydon campus

**Date:** June 10 to June 27, 2026

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[Find out more](#)

Becoming a Protective Service Officer with the AFP – Online Information Session

**Organisation:** Australian Federal Police

**Location:** Online

**Date:** June 16, 2026

Gain insights into the role of a protective service officer (PSO), hear first-hand experiences, and discover what it means to do legendary work in the Australian Federal Police (AFP).

[Find out more](#)

You Can Get In: How to Job Hunt for Entry Level Roles in the Screen Industry

**Organisation:** Screen Careers

**Location:** Online

**Date:** June 20, 2026

The screen industry recruits through friends and recommendations. The good news about this is that everyone, initially, doesn't know anyone. We'll cover how to create a screen ready CV, the role of crew agencies, credits and how to find work.

[Find out more](#)

Swinburne Design and Fashion Info Session

**Organisation:** Swinburne University of Technology

**Location:** ATC101 Advanced Technologies Centre, Hawthorn campus

**Date:** June 23, 2026

Join us on campus to get all the need-to-know details on studying design and fashion at Swinburne.

What to expect

This info session will include:

- a 60-minute presentation on Swinburne's design courses and majors, including a Q&A
- networking with Swinburne staff, students and industry partners
- complimentary light refreshments.

[Find out more](#)

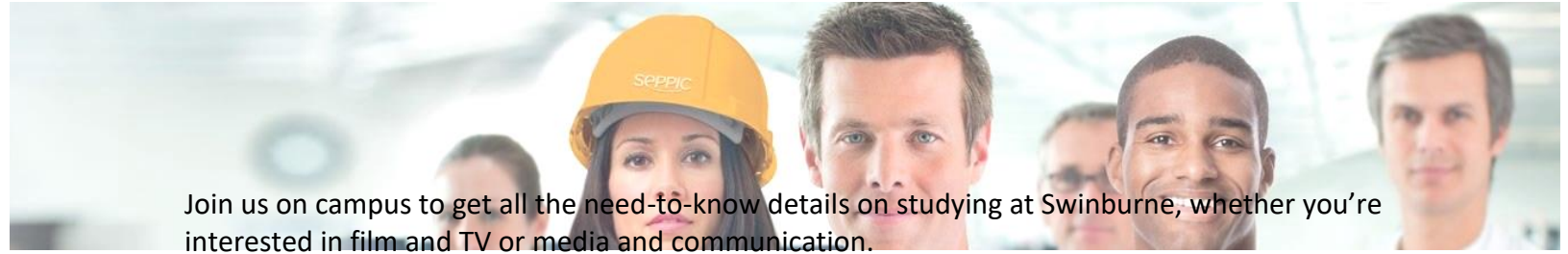
Swinburne Screen and Media Info Session

**Organisation:** Swinburne University of Technology

**Location:** ATC101 Advanced Technologies Centre, Hawthorn campus

**Date:** June 24, 2026





Join us on campus to get all the need-to-know details on studying at Swinburne, whether you're interested in film and TV or media and communication.

This info session will include:

- a 60-minute presentation on Swinburne's courses and majors, including a Q&A
- networking with Swinburne staff and students
- complimentary light refreshments.

[Find out more](#)

Whitehouse Institute of Design Studio Lighting and Fashion Photography Workshop – Melbourne

**Organisation:** Whitehouse Institute of Design

**Location:** Whitehouse Institute of Design, Melbourne Campus

**Date:** June 29, 2026

This is a hands-on 1-day workshop designed for aspiring photographers eager to learn the fundamentals of camera settings, studio lighting, and fashion photography.

[Find out more](#)

Discover ACU Melbourne: Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine

**Organisation:** Australian Catholic University

**Location:** Australian Catholic University, Melbourne Campus

**Date:** June 30, 2026

Join us for our free Discover ACU Melbourne: Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine event, designed especially for Year 10–12 students.

Step into our ambulance simulator, nursing wards and maternity labs and work with our expert academics in an interactive workshop.

Guests are welcome to stay back at the end of the event for an optional campus tour.

[Find out more](#)

Whitehouse Institute of Design Fashion Illustration Workshop – Melbourne

**Organisation:** Whitehouse Institute of Design

**Location:** Whitehouse Institute of Design, Melbourne Campus

**Date:** July 4, 2026

The workshop focuses on the following areas of skill development:

- Fashion illustration techniques and methods
- Application of pencils, professional markers, and felt-tip pens for professional rendering
- Fabric texture and surface rendering
- Exploring an individual design aesthetic.

This workshop is for aspiring designers as a starting point for those wishing to develop their illustration skills.


[Find out more](#)

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

**Organisation:** Australian Catholic University

**Location:** Australian Catholic University, Melbourne Campus





**Date:** July 7, 2026

Join us for our free Discover ACU Melbourne: Allied Health, Biomedical Science and Sports Science event, designed especially for Year 10 – 12 students.

Explore life as an ACU Melbourne student and participate in hands-on workshops led by our academic staff. Guests are welcome to stay back at the end of the event for an optional campus tour.

[Find out more](#)

RMIT Tech and Trades Experience Day 2026

**Organisation:** RMIT University

**Location:** RMIT University, Melbourne City Campus

**Date:** July 8, 2026

Get hands on with the tech and tools of the future at RMIT's Tech and Trades Experience Day in July.

Join us for a hands on day where you'll explore what life at uni student could look like and discover which path is right for you.

Experience RMIT first-hand with practical tasters from our tech and trades courses. On the day, you'll enjoy:

- In-person workshops led by RMIT teachers, using the same tools and facilities our students train with
- Opportunities to chat with teachers and current students and ask questions about studying at RMIT
- Catered lunch, with options to suit all dietary requirements
- Fun prizes and giveaways along the way

[Find out more](#)

Discover ACU Melbourne: Teaching and Education

**Organisation:** Australian Catholic University

**Location:** Australian Catholic University, Melbourne Campus

**Date:** July 8, 2026

Join us for our free Discover ACU Melbourne: Teaching and Education event, designed especially for Year 10–12 students.

Take part in hands-on workshops, meet our education experts, talk to current students about their experience and find out how you can step into the classroom and make a difference in the lives of others.

Guests are welcome to stay back at the end of the event for an optional campus tour.

[Find out more](#)


Discover ACU Melbourne: Law, Criminology and Business

**Organisation:** Australian Catholic University

**Location:** Australian Catholic University, Melbourne Campus

**Date:** July 8, 2026





Join us for our free Discover ACU Melbourne: Law, Criminology and Business event, designed especially for Year 10 – 12 students.

Guests are also welcome to stay back at the end of the event for an optional campus tour.

[Find out more](#)

Melbourne Career Expo 2026

**Organisation:** Career Exhibitions Pty Ltd

**Location:** Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre

**Date:** July 17 to July 19, 2026

The Melbourne Career Expo is the most comprehensive and exciting careers event in Australia. This expo encompasses all career opportunities from employment to education and training in the trades, corporate and professional sectors along with major Universities, TAFEs and Training providers.

[Find out more](#)

ACU Guarantee Early Offer and Pathways Webinar (VIC)

**Organisation:** Australian Catholic University

**Location:** Online

**Date:** July 23, 2026

Learn about ACU's entry and pathway options, including the ACU Guarantee early offer program, key dates and how to apply. Plus, hear from current students about their journeys.

This webinar is for Victorian Year 12 students and their parents.

[Find out more](#)

Swinburne Open Day 2026

**Organisation:** Swinburne University of Technology

**Location:** Swinburne University of Technology, Hawthorn Campus

**Date:** July 26, 2026

[Find out more](#)

## Scholarships

Travel Photographer of the Year 2026

**Organisation:** Travel Photographer of the Year

**Location:** All

**Value:** Up to £1,000

**Close Date:** No closing date

[Find out more](#)

The Parliament Prize 2026

**Organisation:** Parliament of Victoria

**Location:** Victoria

**Value:** Up to AU\$500

**Close Date:** No closing date

[Find out more](#)





## Workplace Spotlight

How to become a Environmental Health Officer

Environmental Health Officers protect community wellbeing by inspecting workplaces, construction sites, and public spaces to make sure they meet health, safety, and environmental standards. They investigate complaints, assess risks, enforce legislation, and advise organisations on how to operate in ways that are safer for people and the environment. Detail-oriented, practically minded, and motivated by making a tangible difference to the communities around them, people who do this work well tend to be just as comfortable out in the field as they are writing up a report back at the office.


### What skills do I need as an Environmental Health Officer?


- Curious & observant
- Strong investigative ability
- Clear report writer
- Knowledge of health & safety legislation
- Confident communicator
- Analytical problem-solver
- Ethical & community-minded
- Calm under pressure

### What do Environmental Health Officers do?

Before heading out to inspect a site, you'll review relevant records, complaints, or previous inspection reports to understand what you're looking for and what the history of a particular premises or business looks like. You'll familiarise yourself with the applicable regulations and prepare any documentation you need to carry out the inspection properly. Getting this preparation right means you're more likely to identify genuine issues and less likely to miss something significant once you're on site.

Day to day, you're out conducting inspections of workplaces, construction sites, industrial facilities, and public spaces, assessing whether they meet environmental health and safety standards. You'll take samples, measure noise or pollution levels, document your findings, and prepare detailed reports on what you observed and what action is required. When businesses or operators aren't meeting their obligations, you'll advise them on how to achieve compliance, and in more serious cases, you may issue notices or escalate matters through formal enforcement processes. Back at the office, you'll manage your caseload, respond to complaints from the community, and maintain accurate records of your inspections and investigations. Periodically, you'll work on larger investigations involving pollution incidents, systemic compliance failures, or emerging environmental health risks in a particular area or industry. Some Environmental Health Officers develop specialist expertise in areas such as contaminated





land, construction noise and dust management, or industrial emissions, taking on more complex casework and advisory roles over time.


### **What kind of lifestyle could I expect?**

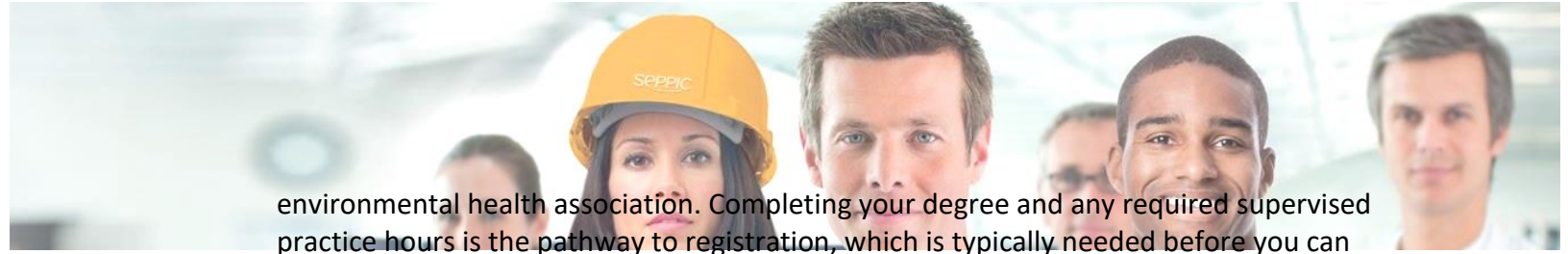
Environmental Health Officers work primarily for local government, where councils are responsible for enforcing public health and environmental legislation across their area. The role also exists within state and territory regulatory agencies, construction and infrastructure organisations, and private consultancies that provide environmental health and compliance advisory services. The breadth of industries that require environmental health oversight means the role is available across urban and regional areas alike.

The work splits your time between field inspections and office-based tasks, with the balance varying depending on your caseload and the organisation you work for. Hours are generally standard, though investigations into complaints or incidents don't always follow a predictable schedule. The role typically offers moderate flexibility, with some scope for varied working arrangements depending on the employer.

The work is physically active compared to most office-based roles, involving regular travel between sites, time on your feet during inspections, and occasional work in challenging environments. Salaries are generally average, with opportunities to increase earnings as you develop specialist expertise or move into senior compliance or advisory roles. The field has steady demand, underpinned by ongoing regulatory requirements, and growth in construction activity and industrial development continues to create consistent need for qualified environmental health professionals.

### **How to become an Environmental Health Officer**

- **Complete a relevant degree:** A bachelor's degree in environmental health is the standard qualification for this role, and in most jurisdictions it is required for professional registration. Some people also enter through degrees in environmental science or public health, though you should check the registration requirements in your state or territory. Look for programs that include practical field placements, as hands-on experience is an important part of developing the inspection and investigation skills the role requires.
  - **Gain practical field experience:** Work experience with a local council environmental health department, a regulatory agency, or an environmental consultancy gives you early exposure to real inspection and compliance work. Even shadowing an experienced officer for a short period can give you a clearer picture of what the day-to-day role involves and help you build the professional connections that matter when you're looking for your first role.
  - **Develop knowledge of relevant legislation:** Environmental health officers need to understand the regulatory frameworks that govern their work, including environmental protection legislation, occupational health and safety laws, and local government requirements. Building this knowledge during your studies and staying current with regulatory changes throughout your career is essential for doing the role effectively.
  - **Register as a qualified environmental health officer:** Most jurisdictions require environmental health officers to hold professional registration through the relevant
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environmental health association. Completing your degree and any required supervised practice hours is the pathway to registration, which is typically needed before you can work independently in the role.

From here, you could progress to senior environmental health officer roles managing complex investigations or teams, develop specialist expertise in areas like contaminated land or industrial compliance, move into policy development or regulatory advisory positions, or transition into environmental consulting to work across a broader range of clients and industries.

### **What can I do right now?**

If you're in high school and interested in working as an Environmental Health Officer, here are some practical steps:

- Get involved in local environmental initiatives such as community clean-up events or sustainability projects to develop your understanding of environmental issues and demonstrate a genuine commitment to the field
- Contact your local council's environmental health department to ask about work experience opportunities or the chance to shadow an officer on an inspection, as direct exposure to the role is one of the most useful things you can do at this stage
- Study science subjects at school, particularly biology, chemistry, and environmental science, as these provide the foundational knowledge you'll build on in an environmental health degree

