



Opportunity and Growth

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=fZoyckJwVg&feature=youtu.be>

University of Newcastle | Jobs of the Future: Engineering

Monday 18 July 2022, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Want to know more about the jobs of the future and the role of engineers in tackling the world's biggest problems?

Tune in for this webinar recording to hear the insights of Dr Dylan Cuskelly, Lecturer in the School of Engineering on the changing world of work and the skills you'll need to thrive in it.

Joining Dylan will be University of Newcastle Graduate Melanie Jackson, Shutdown Execution Specialist at Specialised Shutdown Support.

Find out more:

https://uonewcastle.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_iGQRG8jrRF2bHiojTT6dRw#/registration

University of Newcastle | Jobs of the Future: Science

Tuesday 19 July 2022, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Want to know more about the jobs of the future and the role of scientists in tackling the world's biggest problems?

Tune in for this webinar recording to hear the insights from Dr Emma Beckett, Senior Lecturer in Food Science, Dr Danielle Verdon-Kidd, Senior Lecturer in Earth Sciences, and Associate Professor Kathleen Mee, from Geography and Environmental Studies, on the changing world of work and the skills you'll need to thrive in it.

Find out more:

https://uonewcastle.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_g0x5H8TWTL6TwqvyOOf1OA#/registration

University of Newcastle | Jobs of the Future: Computing and IT

Wednesday 20 July 2022, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Want to know more about the jobs of the future and the role of computer scientists and information technology (IT) professionals in tackling the world's biggest problems?

Tune into this webinar recording to hear the insights of Dr Alex Mendes, Senior Lecturer in Computer Science and Software Engineering, and Professor Pablo Moscato in Data Science, on the changing world of work and the skills you'll need to thrive in it.

Joining Alex and Pablo will be University of Newcastle Graduate Natalia Dempsey, Content Test Specialist at Amazon.

Find out more:

https://uonewcastle.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_aEjbvj_oS1y_BI1PdNcm8g#/registration

UOW | Early Admission Application Webinar

Wednesday 20 July 2022, 6:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Online

UOW Early Admission is our early offer program for students completing Year 12 (Higher School Certificate or other Australian equivalents) or the International Baccalaureate Diploma during 2022. This webinar is your chance to ask any questions and find out how to get an offer to uni before you sit your first exam.

Here's what we'll cover in the webinar:

- Key Dates
- Application process
- Answering the 4 short questions
- Scholarships
- Interviews & Engagement Sessions
- Offers

Find out more: <https://mkto.uow.edu.au/ea-ace-your-app-webinar-2022.html>

University of Newcastle | Jobs of the Future: Architecture and Construction Management

Thursday 21 July 2022, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Want to know more about the jobs of the future and the role of architecture and construction management professionals in tackling the world's biggest problems?

Tune into this webinar recording to hear the insights of Jamie MacKee, Associate Professor in Construction Management (Building), on the changing world of work and the skills you'll need to thrive in it.

Joining Jamie will be Anne Robson, Director at Anne Robson Architecture Pty Ltd.

Find out more: https://uonewcastle.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ghyhMDpYQ-GtqDNfGvSRZQ#/registration

TAFE NSW | Launch Your Career in AgSTEM

Tuesday 26 July 2022, 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Online

Discover more about the agricultural science and technology sector, including where it applies to food production such as grain growing, horticulture and livestock.

Proudly funded by the NSW Government in association with TAFE NSW, the NSW Department of Education, and Training Services NSW.

Find out more: <https://www.tafenswevents.com.au/event/launch-your-career-in-agstem>

Studying Languages and Cultures at Sydney: How, why and where it can take you

Wednesday 3 August 2022, 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Online

So you're thinking about studying languages and culture at university. Great! In this webinar, we'll take you through how you can study languages and culture with us, and how it can benefit you. We'll cover a range of options, from specialising in multiple languages to incorporating language study into a non-language specialist degree.

You can also find out about our intensive in-country study units, where you can gain credits toward your degree with a two-week language and culture immersion experience overseas.

We'll also wrap up with some stories about our recent alumni, so you can see first-hand how study of languages and cultures can open doors to exciting global careers.

Find out more: <https://uni->

[sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_nNT3pL5PQmmlQcABXTUUbw](https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_nNT3pL5PQmmlQcABXTUUbw)

SCCE | Exchange Webinar

Tuesday 9 August 2022, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

At SCCE, we understand that there is a lot to consider when going on exchange, which is why we are happy to offer these regular online information webinars to teach you all about your student exchange options. Our online sessions go for approximately 60 minutes. They will guide you through everything from you need to know about our programs. There is also time at the end of the presentation to ask questions, providing a wonderful opportunity to interact with both our staff and other future exchange students.

Find out more: <https://scce.clickmeeting.com/tuesday-august-9-2022-info-session/register>

AIT | Open Day

Saturday 13 August 2022, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Academy of Information Technology, Ultimo

AIT's Open Day is perfect for those wanting to explore the endless opportunities available in the growing creative industry. This fun and interactive day is a great way to get further information on our curriculum, course requirements and study pathways. Our friendly staff & students will also be there to talk to and get advice from.

During the Open Day you'll:

- Learn about our degrees in film, 2D and 3D animation, game design, and IT.
- Hear more about careers and study paths.
- Take a tour of our campus!
- See why so many students choose to be part of our community!

Find out more: <https://info.ait.edu.au/open-day-august>

AFTRS | 2022 Open Day

Saturday 13 August 2022, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Australian Film Television and Radio School, Moore Park

Join us on Saturday 13 August for the annual Open Day of Australia's national screen and broadcast school. Whether online or in person at our campus in the Entertainment Quarter, learn all about AFTRS' Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production, Graduate Diploma in Radio and Podcasting, Master of Arts Screen and Master of Arts Screen: Business programs.

Get to know our lecturers, students, and alumni, attend live chats and panel discussions, participate in demonstrations, take a campus tour, settle into a screening of work produced at the School, and get some tips on your application for the 2023 intake.

Find out more: <https://www.aftrs.edu.au/event/open-day/>

University of Sydney | Life of a Biologist

Wednesday 17 August 2022, 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Online

Have you wondered what a day in the life of a biologist is like? Join award-winning biologist, Associate Professor Andrew Holmes, to find out what an average day of work might be like in the field of biology.

Join Andrew in exploring the fascinating world of microorganisms – the most abundant and the most diverse group of organisms on Earth. They are also the most poorly known. As such the microbiota represent the largest unexplored biological resource on Earth.

Find out more: https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_OBP-6yryRBiXifii3t89jA

AIM | Sydney Open Day Gala

Saturday 27 August 2022, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Australian Institute of Music, The Rocks

AIM Open Day 2022 is your chance to find out what the Australian Institute of Music can offer you and your passion for the creative industries.

This is your chance to check out our new campus, sit in on some talks, listen to live performances and chat with lecturers and students across all our study programs, from Audio, Music Theatre, Classical, Contemporary, Composition and Production and Entertainment Management.

Find out everything you need to know about studying at AIM.

Find out more: <https://aim.edu.au/events/aim-sydney-open-day-gala/>

UNSW | Open Day 2022

Saturday 3 September 2022, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

UNSW Sydney

We're back on campus! Register now and we'll be in touch with more information on what to expect and how to make the most of your day.

Find out more: <https://www.unsw.edu.au/openday>

ACU | Year 12 Revision Webinars

English Standard: Monday 5 September 2022, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

English Advanced: Tuesday 6 September 2022, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Maths Standard 2: Wednesday 7 September 2022, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Studies of Religion: Thursday 8 September 2022, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Business Studies: Monday 12 September 2022, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Legal Studies: Tuesday 13 September 2022, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Join us for a free online webinar run by experienced Year 12 exam markers and assessors. They'll guide you through how to respond to possible exam questions, help you get your head around the content to deepen your understanding, and offer plenty of tips and strategies along the way.

You'll also have an opportunity to get your questions answered during a live 30-minute Q&A.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/year-12-revision-webinars/nsw>

BMIHMS | Open Day

Saturday 8 October 2022, 10:30 am - 10:30 am

Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School, Leura

Discover how world-class training at Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School at Torrens University (BMIHMS) can lead you to a successful career in hotel management.

Hear from our academics and learn about unique industry placements around the world with leading brands, including Accor, Four Seasons, Hilton Hotels & Resorts and many more. Get a taste of what it's like to study at the number-one hotel management school in the Asia-Pacific.

Find out more: <https://www.torrens.edu.au/whats-on/open-day/bmihms-open-day>

UNSW x National Science Week 2022

Monday 15 August 2022, 6:30 pm - Tuesday 23 August 2022, 7:30 pm

UNSW Sydney

The UNSW x National Science Week program is a celebration of the latest global developments in science, medicine, technology and engineering. In 2022, learn how the backyard bird count is helping safeguard the future of our feathered friends; what new scientific discoveries can teach us about the pursuit of pleasure and its relationship to pain; the diverse uses of RNA technology for challenging health conditions and so much more.

Find out more: <https://www.centreforideas.com/event/unsw-x-national-science-week-2022>

NIE | Medical Interviews Preparation Workshop

Saturday 20 August 2022, 10:00 am - Sunday 21 August 2022, 4:00 pm

Online

The unique NIE workshop program aims for students to gain an in-depth understanding and required knowledge of the medical interview processes for specific universities, including Multi-station Mini Interview (MMI), Structured, and Semi-structured panel interviews. The workshop is structured and based on the models that are taught during our proven one-on-one personalised medical interview sessions. The workshop will allow each and every attendee to learn the required skills and practical understanding for the university from which they received an interview offer from.

Find out more: <https://www.nie.edu.au/medical/umat-interviews/medical-interviews-workshop>

National Mathematics Summer School

Sunday 8 January 2023, 9:00 am - Saturday 21 January 2023, 5:00 pm
Canberra

The National Mathematics Summer School (NMSS) is a program for motivated and high-achieving school students that has been held each January since 1969.

The 55th NMSS is planned to be held in Canberra from 8 to 21 January 2023.

Applications will open soon, and will close at the end of August.

Find out more: <https://nms.edu.au/>

Storyfest National Novella Writing Competition

The Storyfest National Novella Writing Competition is open to all Australian high school students. It is a wonderful opportunity for serious student writers, encouraging them in their literary growth – and there are also some fantastic prizes on offer.

All state winners will be awarded:

- Cash prizes
- Flights and accommodation to the Gold Coast
- Tickets to attend Somerset Storyfest (28-30 March 2022)
- Exclusive access to meet with Australia's elite authors and publishers

Entries open Monday 25 July and close Friday 2 December.

Find out more and enter here: <https://www.storyfest.com.au/novella-writing-competition>

Little Stories Big Ideas Flash Fiction Competition for Secondary School Students

Little Stories Big Ideas is a writing competition for Australian Secondary School Students. As part of the comp, students write a story in 100 words or less to a specific themed prompt, in any literary style they like – prose, poetry, haiku or song. There are two entry categories, Year 7 to 9 (Junior) and Year 10 to 12 (Senior).

The comp runs every school term with great prizes on offer and is free to enter.

Cash prizes of \$100 plus Gift Vouchers and Memberships are up for grabs.

Entries are now open for our Term 3 competition with the theme "Body". **Entries close Friday September 16 2022 at Midnight.**

Find out more: <https://littlestoriesbigideas.com.au/>

Work Experience with Museum of Applied Arts & Sciences

We are committed to inspiring creativity and curiosity through placement programs at the Powerhouse Museum and Sydney Observatory that enhance students' educational experiences.

Our Secondary Student Placement Program provides a snapshot into the world of museums and cultural institutions. It gives high-school students a taste of an industry that they might one day be part of.

This program can be used as part of a secondary student's work experience requirement in Year 10, 11 and 12.

Please note only 2 students are placed each week, so placements are limited.

Applications open 1 August for the Spring holidays program, which will run from 4 – 6 October.

Applications close 21 August.

[Learn more](#)

Work Experience with Services Australia

If you're in year 10, 11 or 12 or equivalent you can register for a work experience placement. Placements are unpaid and run for 5 days on a full time or part time basis. Full time placements run for 5 consecutive business days. Part time placements run for 5 days spread over a maximum of 5 weeks.

On your work experience placement you'll get:

- real workplace experience
- the chance to develop a range of skills while working on a variety of tasks
- to see the work we do to deliver vital services to Australians
- to work in one of our many offices, service centres or Smart Centres across Australia
- a greater understanding of our agency, including the wide range of roles we have, and the public service.

[Learn more](#)

Career Opportunities in the Chicken Meat Industry

Australia has one of the most efficient chicken meat producing and processing industries in the world. Chicken meat is a hugely popular food with Australians and sees Australian consumers spend approximately \$6.6 billion each year on chicken meat products. Its unique structure creates an industry rich in diverse career, and career progression, opportunities.

There are many different types of jobs offered in this industry, from animal husbandry, agribusiness, science, engineering, quality assurance, laboratory services, marketing, transport and processing to veterinary, nutrition and management positions.

Want to know more? Check out [this video](#) about a day in the life of a Chicken Farmer.

You can also read [this handy fact sheet](#) about the Chicken Meat Industry in Australia.

Or you can read [this blog](#) written by Annabel as she first entered the industry.

Early offers made through UAC

Because UAC has several offer rounds in the first half of the year, many Year 12 students ask us if they can receive an offer now.

The short answer is 'no': the first UAC offers to Year 12 students will be made to [Schools Recommendation Scheme](#) (SRS) applicants on 11 November 2022. Offers made then are not based on HSC results and ATARs. Instead, they are based on other criteria like Year 11 results and the school's rating of the student.

Before November, offers are made to applicants who are not in Year 12 this year and already have a qualification UAC can assess. They're often applying to start a course in Semester 2.

Most UAC offers to Year 12 students are made in late December, after the release of ATARs. If you're after an early offer, make sure to apply directly to the university of your choice through their early entry program. You can find a full list of early entry programs, including closing and offer dates, in our [Early Entry Guide](#).

UNSW Law Admission Test (LAT)

If you're a domestic applicant and would like to study the Bachelor of Laws at UNSW, you'll need to sit the Law Admissions Test (LAT). Your LAT score, in addition to your academic results, such as ATAR + adjustment factors, is used in UNSW's selection process.

The 2022 LAT is on Thursday, 29 September 2022. The LAT is offered once per year and results are valid for 2 years. The LAT will be offered at in-person testing venues in Canberra and Sydney, or via remote proctoring.

Register before **5pm AEST 12 August 2022** to avoid paying a late fee.

Find out more: <https://www.unsw.edu.au/law-justice/study/undergraduate/law-admission-test>

Decision Making Upskilling Program

Being able to make well-informed choices will differentiate you from others, win you friends and show your leadership potential at work.

Grandshake's new 40-minute microprogram, How to Make Great Decisions, will teach you how to make the right choices, process hard decisions, act autonomously and work as a team.

Find out more: <https://www.grandshake.co/product/how-to-make-great-decisions>

Consumer Rights for young people in Australia

Before you buy anything, whether it's material goods or a service, you should know:

- your legal rights
- how to protect yourself from scams and other dishonest activities
- what to do, or where to find help, if things go wrong

The older you get and the larger your purchases are, the more important it is that you're on top of how to look after yourself and your investments.

What is consumer protection law?

Consumer law is there to monitor relationships between individual consumers (you) and businesses selling you goods and services.

Basically, it's in place to prevent people taking advantage and selling you things that don't work, are overpriced, or illegal.

Who's in charge of consumer protection?

In Australia, the [Australian Competition and Consumer Commission \(ACCC\)](#) are the Government organisation in charge of protecting your consumer rights. They make sure that businesses are doing the right thing. Ensuring that industries are regulated (meaning there are rules they must stick to that make life fairer for everyone), price monitored, and preventing illegal or anti-competitive behaviour.

What are my rights?

As a consumer in Australia, you can expect:

- To deal with businesses who are honest, reliable, and registered
- Any products that you buy should be [safe](#) and [do the job](#) they're advertised to do
- Get refunds or replacements if you buy items that don't work, are faulty, or never turn up
- Have the law behind you if you need to deal with circumstances where you've been tricked or deceived

Tips for making safe purchases

There are a lot of dishonest people out there who are more than happy to take or steal your money. You might think that you'll never fall for a scam, but unfortunately it happens all the time to people of all ages.

Bear in mind these tips:

- Banks will **never** ask for your bank details over the phone.
- No reputable business will ask you to pay in [gift cards](#) and if they do, it's a scam.
- If you are making a payment over the phone or online and handing out your card details, you should only have to provide the card number, name on the card, expiry date and [CVC / CVV](#) (card verification code) on the back. You will **never** have to give your bank account number or BSB number.
- Do not sign a contract unless you have read and understood all the term, clauses and small print – they are legally binding

Check out the seller

Before you buy anything, check that the business selling it is:

- genuine (as in it really does exist)
- registered (with the [Australian Securities and Investments Commission \(ASIC\)](#) register or [ABN lookup](#)), and
- has a good reputation (look at reviews and testimonials from a variety of sources)

Websites like [Scamadviser](#) can be a useful starting point.

Keep records or proof of purchase

When you buy anything, make sure you get a receipt and keep it. Taking a photo is useful too, as sometimes the ink fades until you can't read it.

If your goods come with a warranty (a type of guarantee from the manufacturer about the condition of the product, repairs, or exchange), or a guarantee (a legally binding assurance of quality) make sure you keep it.

Sometimes you might have to register your item or service, or get a record (even just a stamp) that your warranty/guarantee has been acknowledged or activated. So make sure you do that too.

Note: be careful if you buy something online, especially from overseas, as your rights may be different.

Tips to remember when buying online

- **Never** send your credit card number via email.
- Opt for full payment on delivery, rather than paying the full amount in advance.
- Use gift cards, vouchers, and credit notes as soon as possible so you do not miss the expiry date.
- Never sign up for open-ended charges against your card.
- When you enter your card details, do not provide your bank account number as well.
- Contact your credit card provider immediately if you become aware of an unauthorised transaction on your account (there's usually a number on the back you can call).

Find out more

If you'd like to read more about your rights as a consumer, visit the ACCC website here:

<https://www.accc.gov.au/>

Or take a look at more money tips on the Study Work Grow website [here](#).

Three reasons why we still study Shakespeare

Ever wondered why we still study Shakespeare's work, even though he died over 400 years ago? His plays and poems are still taught in classrooms across the English-speaking world, and once you get past the *thous* and *doths*, there's a lot you can learn from his work.

Read this blog to find out the top three reasons: <https://whywestudy.com/three-reasons-why-we-still-study-shakespeare/>

How to become a Financial Planner

Financial Planners, also known as Financial Advisors, help clients to set financial goals and provide advice on the best ways to invest and spend their money. They can work with individuals as well as businesses and government.

If you have a sharp mind for maths, enjoy helping people, and are willing to commit to lifelong learning and development, this could be the perfect career for you.

About you:

- Analytical and thorough
- Excellent problem solver
- Fantastic communicator
- Mathematically minded
- Willing to act ethically
- Can work independently
- Committed to lifelong learning
- Critical thinker

The job:

- Analysing a client's current financial situation
- Making investment recommendations
- Monitoring investments on a client's behalf
- Developing budgets and savings plans
- Helping clients to save for retirement
- Advising on superannuation matters
- Ensuring you are always acting in the client's best interests

Lifestyle Impact: Low

- Part Time opportunities: Very low – only around 15% of Financial Planners work part-time (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au).
- Average hours for full-time workers: 44 hours a week, which is average (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au).
- Financial Planners' salary (average) \$110,000* per year (source: seek.com.au).
*Salaries vary depending on your skills and experience.
- Future career growth: Strong (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au).
- Most of your work will probably be done indoors, during normal business hours.

Financial Planners are most in demand in these locations:

Around 24,100 people worked as Financial Planners in Australia in 2021 (source: labourmarketinsights.gov.au). Demand is highest in New South Wales and Victoria. Most Financial Planners work in the Financial and Insurance Services industry.

How to become a Financial Planner in Australia

To become a Financial Planner, you'll need to complete an accredited degree, undertake a year of training and an exam, and gain registration with the Australian Security and Investments Commission (ASIC).

Step 1 – Complete Year 12 with a focus on English and Maths.

Step 2 – Complete an approved undergraduate qualification, generally a Bachelor of Business majoring in Financial Planning, or Bachelor of Accounting. You can see the full list of approved qualifications [here](#).

Step 3 – Complete a full-time professional year that includes at least 1,500 hours of work activities and 100 hours of structured training (a total of 1,600 hours).

Step 4 – Complete the [Financial Adviser Exam](#) before starting the third quarter of your first professional year.

Step 5 – Register for an [AFS License](#) with the Australian Security and Investments Commission (ASIC).

Step 6 – Complete 40 hours of professional development each year, and comply with the [Code of Ethics](#).

Find out more here –

<https://www.afa.asn.au/>

<https://asic.gov.au/>

Similar Careers to Financial Planner

Accountant	Business Development Manager
Actuary	Statistician
Bookkeeper	Auditor
Broker	

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

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What do Financial Planners do?

Financial Planners help their clients find the best way to save, invest and spend their money.

Which industries employ Financial Planners?

Financial Planners are mostly employed in the Financial and Insurance Services industry.

What options are there for career progression?

There are different kinds of Financial Planning you might like to specialise in, including superannuation, tax planning or debt management.

Do I need to go to university to become a Financial Planner?

Yes, you will need to study an accredited undergraduate degree, and also meet further requirements and continuing professional development.

Where do Financial Planners work?

Financial Planners might work for a private firm, or in-house for a business or organisation. They might even work freelance, operating their own small business.

What are 3 things I can do right now to help me become a Financial Planner?

If you're in high school and you'd like to find out if a career as a Financial Planner is right for you, here's a few things you could do right now:

1. Start working on your maths skills. Create your own budget or try and help the family with theirs, and start researching how investments, taxes and superannuation work.
2. See if you can find work experience in business or finance. This will help you see if you might enjoy the work, and can help you start building important contacts for the future.
3. Talk to a Financial Planner to see what a day in their life is like. If you don't know anyone, see if you can watch videos or documentaries about a career in finance.

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