



ST. PETER'S  
COLLEGE

## CAREER NEWS

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**Want a:**    **Worthwhile Experience?**  
              **Wonderful Experience?**  
              **Wise Experience?**  
              **Where To Experience?**

**Then do:**    **Work Experience:** all Year 10 Students at St Peter's College are supported to complete Work Experience from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Forms need to be returned to the Careers Office as soon as possible.

**When looking for Work Experience, applying for a Job, having a University interview, there are 3 Must-have Enterprise Skills for School Leavers**

It's no surprise that today's world of work is drastically different to only a few years ago. Rampant technology changes, work-from-home, flat management structures, AI, start-ups, online university, and the 'gig economy'.

Because of this, students need to be equipped with flexibility and an open mind to trying new things, so that they can approach the world of work without the same rigidity that we did years ago.

**Which 3 enterprise skills are most important?**

There's a huge range of skills that students need (enterprise skills comprise more than 25 distinct skill sets like leadership, negotiation, etc.), but if your students have these 3 enterprise skills, they'll have the ability to take advantage of opportunities that present themselves in the world of work:

### 1. Interpersonal skills

No matter how technological we get, *life and business still require interpersonal skills*. It doesn't matter if students are literally 'staring at a screen' all day long (like we see so many do today), they still need to interact with other people, even if it's simply typed or spoken communication while working remotely.

Employers need to have employees that they can converse with about tasks, and young entrepreneurs/self-employed people need to be able to work with a wide range of people, from suppliers to contractors to customers.

Adding to this, we also need collaboration skills – another key enterprise trait, as our ability to work together is critical to us as a society. If you can relate to people, converse well with people, and collaborate with people, you'll easily stand out from a wide field of candidates.

## **2. Problem solving**

As we shift away from needing people with degrees or experience, to valuing people with know-how or the ability to get things done, problem solving is even more important than ever before. Ask almost any employer and they'll tell you that they're far more likely to employ someone who can quickly learn how to do something, or solve a problem fast, over someone who has 'experience'. This is especially so in the technology industries – as rapid solutions to problems (which this skill focuses on) is becoming far more valuable than tenure or degrees.

Problem solving as a skill also ties in the need for creativity and critical thinking, both of which can make an individual highly valuable to an employer. Do you want to hire someone who you need to do the thinking for; or someone who can spot a problem, and come up with a solution you hadn't even considered? It's not hard to see which employee would be a better choice.

## **3. Time management**

Yes, there are hundreds of 'productivity' apps, reminders, calendars, task-management tools, hacks, tricks and more. But without the ability for a young employee to manage what tasks are priority and then manage their own process of doing them on time, schedules blow out and employers miss their productivity goals (even the small ones like getting a marketing project finished this week).

The ability for a young person to self-manage might seem like a minor thing, but in a workplace where tasks or projects need to be done to meet a schedule, it will very quickly show up as being a major problem. It starts in school with getting ready on time in the mornings, and doing homework/assignments on time, but in the world of work it means

deadlines that can cost a business a significant amount of money or missed opportunity if things aren't done when they should be.

So while this might seem like the simplest of the 3 enterprise skills, being able to manage how and when tasks get done is the foundation of everything else.

There are so many enterprise skills that can make a young employee highly sought after (and a young entrepreneur successful), but starting with the ability to work with people, to be valuable by solving problems, and getting everything done efficiently is a great start.

To find out more, explore our [Job Spotlights database](#) – as we feature enterprise skills throughout every one of the 190+ jobs profiled on the Study Work Grow website.

## **Science Events at Monash Uni**

Calling all Science fans!! Monash has a number of events running to showcase their Science Degrees and facilities. Remember to register for the events of interest.



**MYSci** is a three-day science program specifically designed for students in Years 11 and 12, involving hands on workshops and access to our brilliant teaching facilities.

**When: April 12-14**

[Register Here](#)

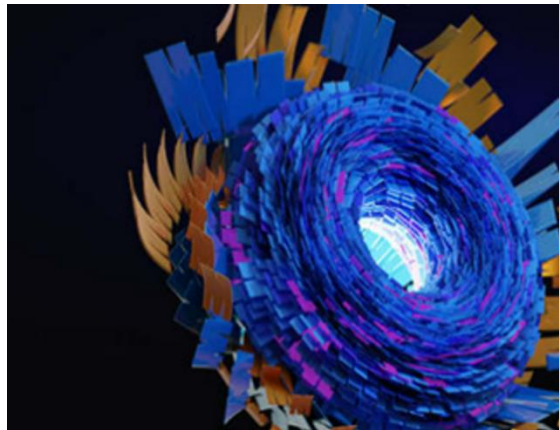


### **Science Precinct Tours**

If your senior students would like to see the Monash Science precinct, this is a great chance to tour our brilliant science facilities and student spaces, ask questions, and meet current science students.

**When: July School Holidays 2023**

[Click Here](#)



### **Discover Monash - The Monash Science Experience**

Learn more about our Science courses and the Monash Science experience through some of our current students at this in- person event!

**When: May 11 2023**



## **Dates to Diarise in Term 2**

- **Work Experience Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023 [Year 10 Students]**
- **VCE and Careers Expo 2023 – Thursday 4 – Saturday 6 May** [ Schedule Available from the Careers Office]
- **Victorian Careers Show 2023 – Thursday 18 – Saturday 20 May**
- **Victorian Law Week 2023 – Monday 15 – Sunday 21 May**



### **'Talk it Out' Holiday Event**

*This event is open to all high school students interested in learning more about mental health support and resources through detailed discussions led by [Lifeline](#) and [Orygen](#). Focus will be specifically on mental health around study demands.*

**Date:** Thursday 20 April 2023  
**Time:** 11.00am – 2.00pm  
**Venue:** Victoria University – Footscray Park Campus

Lunch will be provided on the day. Registrations are essential, so secure a spot at [Victoria University - Holiday Program 2023](#).



### **Engineering at RMIT University**

Students should note that, with the exception of the Bachelor of Software Engineering, all other Bachelor of Engineering degrees now require *a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics (previously known as Further Mathematics), Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics.*

Find out more at [Engineering at RMIT University](#).



### **News from Monash University**

#### **Pathway Certificate Courses into Health Science**

Monash University offers two online certificate courses, for students who might like to try a short course before entering the bachelor's degree.

1. [University Certificate in Mental Health](#) – aimed at developing one's knowledge and skills in responding to mental health needs - from understanding mental illnesses, to

different perspectives in mental health services, through to strategies for treatment and recovery. Students learn from world-recognised mental health researchers and practitioners with a curriculum shaped by their global expertise and industry experience in the mental health sector and includes contributions from those with lived experience in mental illness.

The course is delivered fully online, combining the flexibility required by working professionals.

This course can lead towards further study, with the opportunity to progress into the [Bachelor of Health Sciences](#).

2. [Undergraduate Certificate of Health Care Essentials](#) – aimed at aiding students develop knowledge and skills for roles in the disability, respite and aged care sectors. Students gain up-to-date knowledge of patient care basics and patient safety, and they are able to choose from four electives: *wound prevention and care, nutrition, rural health and mental health*. The course has been developed by experienced health professionals, educators, and researchers.

With an Undergraduate Certificate of Health Care Essentials, students may be eligible to apply for the [Bachelor of Health Sciences](#).

#### ▪ **Studying Engineering at Monash**

*Monash's undergraduate engineering courses are designed with choice and flexibility in mind, to optimise career prospects and encourage students to diversify their study options at Monash University.*

Monash offers a range of single and double degrees with specialisations and minors in 19 traditional and emerging engineering fields.

**Students are encouraged to browse [Engineering at Monash](#) and browse the useful links provided including a *virtual tour* of the engineering facilities.**



### **Career in Air Conditioning Technology**

According to the Career Cornerstone Centre, ***air conditioning engineering technologists work in the design, installation, and service of heating and air conditioning systems in residential and commercial buildings.*** They know how to select and maintain equipment that ensures building comfort.

According to the [Good Universities Guide](#), there are a range of specialised roles in this field, such as –

- **Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Draftsperson**

Refrigeration and air conditioning draftspersons design and produce working drawings of mechanical systems for refrigeration and air conditioning systems within a building project so that they can be manufactured, constructed, and installed. Apart from having an aptitude for problem-solving, good communication skills, and being able to work as part of a team, a particular interest must be enjoying technical and design activities.

- **Automotive Air Conditioning Fitter**

Automotive air conditioning fitters install and repair air conditioning units in various types of vehicles and machinery, such as cars, trucks, vans, and tractors. Successful fitters enjoy practical and manual activities, have good hand-eye coordination, an aptitude for mechanical work, are able to keep up to date with technological change, and have good problem-solving skills.

- **Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic**

Refrigeration and air conditioning mechanics select components, assemble, install, test, fault-find, service and repair industrial, commercial, and domestic refrigeration and air conditioning systems in homes, shops, factories, office buildings, hospitals, supermarkets, and cold stores. Besides having an aptitude for problem-solving, good communication skills, and being able to work as part of a team, other important personal requirements of these specialised mechanics are being able to work with hand and power tools, enjoy and have an aptitude for technical work, and work patiently, systematically, and thoroughly.



### **Reach for the Stars with a Career in Sports Media**

The [Bachelor of Sports Media](#) has been designed to nurture students that aspire to work in the sports media industry. The course has four streams: *sport, media, journalism, and communications*. Students will be equipped to work in a variety of roles with sports leagues and clubs, sports media organisations, media organisations and sports agencies.

The course offers significant applied learning opportunities where students function as consultants to sporting organisations developing the skills required by industry. The major studies on offer are in sports journalism, digital sport, media production, public relations, social media, sport sponsorship, sports broadcasting, sports marketing.

Students keen on studying Sports Media or Sports Business, might like to attend the **Sport Open Day** event where there will be discussion around Holmesglen's industry-connected sports degree courses. Attendees will be given an overview of courses (Sports Media and Sports Business) and pathway and career options. This presentation will be followed by a tour of the course facilities and give students the chance to chat one-on-one with teachers about their study goals.

**Date:** Thursday 30 March 2023

**Time:** 6.00pm - 7.00pm

**Venue:** Holmesglen Chadstone Campus, Batesford Road in Chadstone

**Book a spot at [Sport Open Day](#).**



## **Fashion, Textiles, & Visual Merchandising Courses in Victoria in 2023**

Numerous Victorian universities and TAFE institutions offer courses in *fashion*, *fashion & textiles*, and *visual merchandising*. Entry into many of these courses requires a **folio presentation**. Some of these courses are listed below, but for a comprehensive list of courses at all institutions including Private Providers - such as [Collarts](#), [LCI Melbourne](#), [Whitehouse Institute of Design](#), and [Torrens University](#) - and their specific entry requirements, please visit [VTAC](#).

<b>INSTITUTION</b>	<b>COURSE</b>	<b>MAJOR STUDIES IN 2023</b>
<b>Box Hill Institute</b>	<a href="#">Bachelor of Design (Fashion Design)</a>	Collaborative Communication, Creative Design Processes, Digital CAD Principles, Introduction to Digital Marketing, Sustainable Design Practice.
	<a href="#">Diploma of Visual Merchandising</a>	CAD, Concept development, achieve targets, colour, design displays, design history, develop style guides, drawing, photo shoots, signage, space and product planning, styling of visual components, workplace health & safety.
<b>Holmesglan Institute</b>	<a href="#">Bachelor of Fashion Design</a>	Business Marketing, Industry Techniques, Innovative Design, Pattern engineering, Sustainability and Ethical Practice.
	<a href="#">Certificate IV in Clothing Production</a>	Colour Theory, Computer Aided Design Tools, Design Studio Concepts, Garment Construction, Networking with Industry, Pattern Development, Product Sourcing.
<b>Kangan Institute</b>	<a href="#">Applied Fashion Design and Merchandising</a>	Computer-aided design (CAD), Fabric and fibre technology, Fabric technology, Fashion, Fashion (design concepts), Fashion (design), Fashion (illustration), Fashion (pattern grading), Garment construction techniques, Marketing research, Marketing strategy, Networking, Pattern-making, Pattern-making (computer), Quality assurance, Quality control.
<b>RMIT University</b>	<a href="#">Bachelor of Fashion Design</a>	Fashion communication, Fashion design, Fashion design industry techniques, Fashion design practice, Fashion materials, Fashion presentation, Fashion production, Fashion studies, Fashion sustainability.
	<a href="#">Associate Degree in Fashion Design and Technology</a>	Computer-aided design (CAD), Computer-aided pattern making, Fashion design, Garment construction, Patternmaking, Product specifications, Production planning, Supply chain management, Sustainable Practices in the fashion industry.
	<a href="#">Diploma of Fashion Styling</a>	Business practices for fashion stylists, Catalogue styling, Editorial styling, Event management and styling, Fashion trend analysis, Personal styling, Project Management, Styling for still and moving images.
	<a href="#">Bachelor of Fashion &amp; Textiles (Sustainable Innovation)</a>	Digital technology, Fashion technology, Fashion wearables, Materials innovation, Smart textiles, Sustainability, Sustainable fashion and textiles, User centred design.
	<a href="#">Associate Degree in Fashion and Textiles Merchandising</a>	Computer-aided design (CAD), Digital strategies for fashion, Distribution and logistics, Fashion business, Fashion marketing, Fashion materials, Global impacts in fashion, Global marketing, Industry research, Merchandise planning, Merchandise retail management, Product development (TCF), Product ranging.
	<a href="#">Bachelor of Textiles (Design)</a>	Sustainable and ethical design practices, Textile and fashion structures, Textile and fashion studies, Textile communication, Textile design, Textile design practice, Textile industry practice, Textile materials, Textile surfaces.
	<a href="#">Cert IV in Textile Design, Development and Production</a>	Computer-aided design (CAD), Design and production (Textiles), Drawing, Experimental textiles, Fibres and fabrics, Machine knitting, Marketing, Screen printing, Sustainable practices in textiles, Textile design and application of colour theory, Textile design influences, Textile design specifications, Weaving.
	<a href="#">Bachelor of Fashion Enterprise</a>	Fashion buying, Fashion eCommerce, Fashion logistics, Fashion marketing, Fashion merchandising, Fashion product management, Fashion retailing.



	<a href="#">Diploma of Visual Merchandising</a>	2D drawing, design and concept development, 3D design and construction, Colour impact, Computer-aided drawing (CADD), Interpreting sales data to extract insights, Photostyling, Planning and Styling for events and activations, Technical drawing and Illustration, Visual merchandise display and presentation.
<b>Swinburne University</b>	<a href="#">Diploma of Visual Merchandising</a>	Achieve visual merchandising targets, Contribute to workplace health and safety, Design and install merchandise signage, Design and install visual merchandising displays, Develop visual merchandising creative concepts, Implement visual merchandising concepts, Produce drawings to communicate ideas, Style using visual merchandising aids.



## Snapshot of RMIT University in 2023

- One of Australia's original educational institutions founded in 1887, RMIT University now has more than 83,000 students, including more than 12,000 at postgraduate level.
- Based on the [QS World University Rankings for Art and Design 2022 | Top Universities](#), RMIT ranks #1 in Australia and #15 in the world in Art & Design, and ranked 190<sup>th</sup> universities in the world - [Top Universities](#).
- RMIT provides a range of education options, from an apprenticeship, traineeship or certificate to an associate or bachelor degree, or a postgraduate degree by coursework or research - [RMIT - Levels of Study](#).
- RMIT is regarded as a world leader in Art and Design; Architecture and the Built Environment; Engineering; Computer Science; and Business and Management Studies.
- RMIT has a reputation for delivering innovative academic programs within stunning modern and historic buildings located in Melbourne's CBD. The [Academic Street project](#) has transformed the heart of the RMIT City campus creating laneways, gardens, new student spaces and better library facilities. Its campuses are continually evolving to meet the demands of modern study.
- RMIT University offers programs of study in 16 schools across four academic colleges - [RMIT - Academic Colleges](#).
- Students are encouraged to browse the [ATAR Course Finder](#) to discover the right degree for them at RMIT.
- RMIT has three Melbourne campuses, made up of vibrant student communities, modern learning and teaching facilities and open and informal social spaces, as well as two campuses in Vietnam, and a research and industry collaboration centre in Spain - [RMIT Campuses](#).
- RMIT engagement with industry has always been central to RMIT's mission, and industry and enterprise is at the heart of every RMIT program – [RMIT and Industry](#).
- [Work Integrated Learning \(WIL\) at RMIT](#) makes up a significant component of a student's program, whereby they use their academic learning in a 'real life' situation with a real industry or community partner.
- [RMIT Activator](#) is a unique experience designed by RMIT to connect students, staff and alumni to a network of transformative experiences all designed to help students, staff and alumni learn enterprise skills, innovate alongside industry and innovation experts and launch new businesses – it is the home of entrepreneurship.
- RMIT has a strong pathway program to courses providing students an opportunity to transfer from one RMIT program to another - [RMIT and Recognised Pathway Courses](#) and [Student Experience](#).

- RMIT offers students a world of [global opportunities](#) and adventure through exchange and study abroad opportunities. Students get to expand their horizons: immerse themselves in a different culture and experience the world through the eyes of others.
- Information about student accommodation options for students and visitors can be found at [RMIT Student Accommodation](#).
- RMIT makes sure its support services and networks help students to succeed at university and stay healthy and happy - [RMIT Support Services, and RMIT Connect is a great platform for students to access](#) these student services and support.
- Students have access to a range of [activities and events](#) that provide them with a university experience they will never forget.

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