



Dates to Diarise in Term 3

- **University / TAFE Open Days 2026** – late July and throughout August
- **Year 12 VTAC timely applications** – early August until end September
- **VTAC SEAS and Scholarship applications** – throughout August and September



News from La Trobe University

➤ **Study Cybersecurity at La Trobe**

La Trobe's Bachelor of Cybersecurity offers you the opportunity to step into the rapidly evolving digital world of cybersecurity. You'll build a highly specialised technical skill-set as you learn about the history of hacking, build your coding expertise, and access industry-based projects and mentoring opportunities with major corporations.

Graduates of this course could work across a range of industries, including technology, communications, education, finance, government, defence, healthcare, and energy and resources.

Possible roles include:

- Intrusion Analyst/Vulnerability Assessor
- Cyber Threat analyst
- Vulnerability Researcher/Cybersecurity Advisor
- Malware Analyst

Find out more at [Bachelor of Cybersecurity at La Trobe University](#).

➤ **Nexus Program**

A revolutionary path into secondary teaching - the Nexus Program provides a first of its kind pathway into secondary teaching.

Nexus supports aspiring teachers to earn a qualification while working in schools that need them most, with undergraduate and postgraduate study options available.

The Nexus program is funded by the Commonwealth and supported by the Victorian and NSW governments.

Nexus students take part in La Trobe's eighteen-month accelerated or two-year [Master of Teaching \(Secondary\)](#) or [Master of Teaching \(Primary\)](#), whilst undertaking paid employment

in schools (part-time in first year and full-time in second year). On top of their salary, Nexus students also benefit from up to \$14,900 in financial support.

Current VCE students considering a career in secondary education are highly recommended to learn more about this excellent program - [La Trobe Nexus Program](#).



Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)

Immerse yourself in real-world learning that develops the knowledge, practical skills and confidence to become a contemporary occupational therapist. Occupational therapists see beyond a diagnosis or disability. They understand how people, their environments and the activities that matter most come together to shape everyday life.

Commencing in 2027, the Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours) is a 4-year undergraduate professional-entry degree that will prepare students to become an occupational therapist who work in partnership with individuals, families and communities to enable participation in everyday life.

At RMIT students will develop this way of thinking through authentic real-world learning, human-centred design, technology and innovation. Working alongside people, communities and industry partners, students will build the knowledge, professional reasoning and practical skills to create evidence-informed solutions across health, disability, education and community settings.

With embedded Honours, interdisciplinary learning and real-world learning opportunities, students will graduate ready to lead, innovate and contribute to the future of occupational therapy.

Find out more at [Bachelor of Occupational Therapy \(Honours\) at RMIT](#).



Biomedicine or Science at Melbourne?

Biomedicine students study core units until semester two of year two, when they then choose their major for their third year. Therefore, students cover content of most majors before selecting their major. The cohort is very competitive, and all students have a similar experience.

An important feature of the Bachelor of Biomedicine is the students themselves. The [Biomedicine Student's Society](#) (BSS), is one of the University's most active and inclusive student groups. *The strong cohort framework of the degree (remember, you do half of your subjects together) allows the BSS to provide academic and social programs tailored to the journey you share with your peers.*

The Bachelor of Biomedicine offers 16 majors across a range of biomedical disciplines, and if students are interested in entering the health professions, Biomedicine is an ideal choice. The Bachelor of Biomedicine is ideal preparation for a career in medicine and professional health. Completing the Bachelor of Biomedicine has never been a compulsory or privileged path to the Doctor of Medicine (MD), but it is a good strategy, providing students with a firm foundation in biomedical sciences.

Browse [Bachelor of Biomedicine](#) to learn more.

Science students have a far more flexible structure to their degree and do not have the structured core subjects the biomedicine students do. The Bachelor of Science is ideal for students who know exactly what they want to study. In fact, science students could pick their major – from over 40 on offer, across all areas of science, biomedicine, mathematics, engineering, and IT. – and not actually learn anything about the other majors.

Science students also get to choose from hundreds of breadth subjects (non-science) on offer. *Some students use breadth to explore a passion or interest – for example music or history. Others will improve their career prospects by studying a language or law, communication or business skills.*

Students might like to find out more by browsing [Breadth subjects in the Bachelor of Science](#).

Student experience opportunities include –

- Completing an **internship** in a workplace for course credit
- Learning from an industry professional in our **mentoring program**

Browse [Bachelor of Science](#) to learn more.



Education and Teaching at Deakin

Introduced for the first time this year, the Berry Street Education Model has been embedded into every initial teacher education program offered at Deakin, and every student will graduate with practical, trauma-informed strategies to support student wellbeing and engagement.

Deakin is the only university in Australia to embed the [Berry Street Education Model](#) across all initial teaching degrees. This unique model helps future educators build safe, inclusive and productive classrooms from their very first year in schools. Deakin graduates will be equipped with tools to manage complex behaviour, foster positive relationships, and respond effectively to trauma. These are the capabilities today's schools are actively

seeking and essential for creating environments where all children and young people can thrive.

Every Deakin teaching student will graduate with:

- Berry Street Education Model training.
- A toolkit of practical, trauma-informed strategies to support every learner.
- A Berry Street Education Model certificate of completion, recognised by schools across Australia.
- A competitive edge that will make Deakin graduates stand out to employers.

Find out more at [How trauma-informed practice sets Deakin teaching students apart.](#)



Career as a Data Scientist

The Good Careers Guide states that a *Data Scientist investigates large datasets and interprets them to make insights and recommendations for clients or employers that is easy to understand and important for future practice.*

Data Scientists can work in environments such as public services, private sectors, scientific and professional research, financial services and industry corporations, and most often in teams.

[Good Careers Guide - Data Scientist](#)

[Coursera](#) states that a *data scientist uses data to understand and explain the phenomena around them and help organizations make better decisions. Working as a data scientist can be intellectually challenging, analytically satisfying, and put you at the forefront of new technological advances.*

Data Science is offered as specialised bachelor's degrees at *Deakin, Monash, RMIT, Swinburne*, and *VU*, but is also offered as a major Computer Science and Science degrees.

Students are encouraged to browse [VTAC Home](#) to learn more about the range of offerings in Victoria.



Medical Imaging Courses in Victoria in 2026

Medical imaging technologists operate X-ray and other imaging equipment, such as MRI and Ultrasound, to produce radiographic images which are used in the diagnosis and subsequent management of disease or injury. Here are links to the specialised medical imaging areas, some of which are detailed in the *Good Universities Guide*:

[Nuclear Medicine Technologist](#), [Medical Imaging Technology](#), and other useful links - [So, you want to be a Sonographer?](#), and [Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences at Monash](#)

In Victoria students can study specific medical imaging courses (also known as medical radiography or medical radiations or sonography) at the following universities:

INSTITUTION	COURSE	VCE PREREQUISITES	2026 ATAR
CQU M - Melbourne Campus	Medical Sonography	English, and recommended studies in one or more of Maths, Biology, Physics, Science	N/P (M) Min. 88.00
Deakin University G - Waurin Ponds Campus	Medical Imaging	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 22 in one of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics or at least 30 in Maths: General Mathematics.	95.45 (G)
Monash University C – Clayton Campus	Radiography and Medical Imaging	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 35 in English (EAL) or at least 30 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Biology or Physics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics.	98.15 (C)
RMIT University B – Bundoora Campus	Medical Radiations (Nuclear Medicine)	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 27 in EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics.	89.05 (B)
	Medical Radiations (Radiation Therapy)	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 27 in EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics.	95.00 (B)
	Medical Radiations (Medical Imaging)	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 27 in EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics.	98.00 (B)



Snapshot of Macquarie University in 2026

- Established in 1964, today Macquarie is home to over 40,000 students and 3000 staff, and awards more than 10,000 degrees each year.
- Based in Sydney, the campus is in one of the largest business and technology precincts in the southern hemisphere, creating a hub of innovation and excellence.
- Macquarie University has its own metro station and has Australia's first and only not-for-profit hospital on a university campus.
- In terms of [rankings](#), Macquarie is:
 - ✓ Ranked among the top 1,5% of world universities in the world (QS World University Rankings, 2027)
 - ✓ Ranked #11 in Australia and #126 in the world (Times Higher Education World University Rankings, 2027)
 - ✓ Ranked in the top 10 in Australia for employment outcomes (QS World University Rankings, 2027)
- Over 130 Macquarie researchers are ranked in the top 1% of researchers in the world.
- Macquarie has four [faculties](#) and many departments within those faculties.
- Macquarie has a few unique departments, including –
 - ✓ [School of International Studies](#) – offering courses such as [International Security Studies](#) and [Politics and International Relations](#)
 - ✓ [Applied BioSciences](#) – the focus of this department is on finding solutions to significant national and global biological challenges in agriculture, the environment, and disease vectors affecting human, plant and animal health.
- Macquarie offers a wide selection of both [undergraduate courses](#) and [postgraduate courses](#).
- An extensive range of [scholarships](#) is offered to both future students and current students.
- As with all leading universities, Macquarie offers excellent [overseas study opportunities](#) to students.
- There are a range of [clubs and societies](#) and [sporting](#) facilities available to students.
- Macquarie has a range of [accommodation](#) options to suite the various preferences of students.

