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Dates to Diarise in Term 3

- Year 12 VTAC timely applications – throughout August and September
- VTAC SEAS and Scholarship applications – throughout August and September



Where can an Arts Degree take you?

There is often the debate about the value of an Arts Degree and what kind of role an Arts graduate could find in industry. The list of roles is quite varied, and includes -

- Teaching & educational administration
- International aid and trade agencies
- Arts production and management
- Public service and social welfare agencies
- General management and administration (local and global)
- Communications industry, publishing, media, and public relations
- Tourism and hospitality

One of the very important things for students to note, is that an Arts student learns skills that are very transferrable in industry. These include **communication skills, critical thinking and reading skills, analytical skills, and research skills**. Watch this very useful YouTube video about a [Career with a Bachelor of Arts](#) produced by Monash University.



Studying Law at RMIT

The Bachelor of Laws brings law to life. With coursework designed and delivered in close partnership with respected Australian law firms, you'll be ready to hit the ground running upon graduation.

Delivered by leaders of industry in the heart of Melbourne, this 3-year law degree draws on deep industry connections to give students as much real-world experience as possible. The practical component is balanced with a thorough theoretical grounding in the Australian legal system and fundamental legal principles and concepts.

As well as learning how to analyse and solve problems involving questions of law, students will also develop a suite of invaluable skills that will prepare them for a career as a legal practitioner or in a law-related field. Such skills include effective writing, drafting, advocacy, interviewing and advising, negotiation, teamwork and presentations.

The VCE entry requirements are Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or at least 30 in English as an Additional Language (EAL), and an ATAR in the region of 85.00.

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Find out more by browsing [Studying Law at RMIT](#).



Pathways to a Federation Degree

VCE students who achieve their ATAR with a study score of at least 20 in any English and an ATAR of 45.00, can use a Federation Higher Education Diploma to pathway into the second year of a Federation Engineering, Business, or Information Technology degree.

- [Diploma of Engineering \(Higher Education\)](#)
- [Diploma of Information Technology \(Higher Education\)](#)
- [Diploma of Business \(Higher Education\)](#)



Explore Various Ways to Join the ADF

There are several ways to join the Navy, Army or Air Force with many roles offering more than one entry method.

To help students choose the right way, the entry methods have been broken down into a simple summary – browse [Ways To Join - ADF Careers](#).



On-demand Webinars at Deakin

When it comes to choosing a university course, gathering information can be time-consuming and overwhelming. That is why Deakin University has created a series of **on-demand webinars**. Covering all the study information students need, the webinars are available in one convenient location and accessible 24/7, so students can watch them whenever and wherever they like.

The comprehensive suite of webinars covers more than 50 undergraduate and postgraduate study areas, as well as other important information about how to apply and studying online.

These can be accessed at [On-demand Webinars](#).



Studying Science at the University of Melbourne

Maybe you've always known that you wanted to be a marine biologist. Or perhaps you're still deciding whether you want to be an engineer or a geologist. A doctor or a vet? A data scientist or a physicist? A chemist or a psychologist?

The [Bachelor of Science](#) is a pathway to all these careers, and hundreds more. With more than 40 majors on offer, students can select from the full range of *science, biomedicine, mathematics, engineering, and IT subjects*.

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The Bachelor of Science is a **3-year degree**, in which students complete **24 subjects**. Of the 24 subjects, some will contribute to their **major** (chosen specialisation), some will be **science electives** (other science subjects), and some will be **breadth** (non-science) subjects.

A very useful link to browse is [Tips for Choosing a Science Major](#) and students are also encouraged to view this [video](#).

NOTE: Nuclear-Powered Submarines Student Pathways Program

Join Australia's next generation of expert scientists. Beginning in 2024, domestic students commencing the Bachelor of Science have an opportunity to participate in the Australian Government's Nuclear-Powered Submarines program (NPS). To take part, students need to undertake an undergraduate science degree focusing on key areas needed for a career in the NPS workforce, with a *major in one of physics, chemistry or mathematics and statistics*.

Scholarships are available through a range of programs including the University's [Narrm Scholarship Program](#). The Australian Government is also offering [STEM cadetships](#) to eligible participants, comprising 60 paid work placement days (approx. \$12,000 per annum), reimbursement for books and resources up to \$1,000, a \$3,000 bursary, mentorships and career opportunities in Defence.



Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation

*The **Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation** may be the right study choice for students with the motivation, capability and personal attributes to be a great teacher.*

The **Diploma of Teacher Education Preparation (Dip TEP)** is an accredited AQF5 level qualification aimed at students who do not initially meet the minimum ATAR for teaching. The course was developed as part of the [Victorian Government's Excellence in Teacher Education Reforms](#) to ensure that disadvantage and diverse educational experiences are not a barrier to capable and committed people who want to pursue a career in teaching.

Successful completion of the Dip TEP will ensure that students graduate with the prerequisite knowledge and skills to undertake a rigorous undergraduate teacher education course. The Dip TEP supports students to meet the literacy and numeracy standards they will need in order to graduate with a teaching qualification and supports them to meet the demands of study at a higher education level.

The course introduces students to contemporary issues in education and to teaching as a profession, including practical school-based placement.

The course is offered by a number of institutions, including [ACU](#), [RMIT](#), [Swinburne](#), & [VU](#).



VCE Extension Studies in 2025

➤ [Deakin University – Deakin Accelerate](#)

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Deakin Accelerate is a distinctive VCE higher education program that allows students to study two first-year university subjects during Year 12. Studying one subject per trimester, this selective program gives students a head-start into university studies and also provides a potential contribution to their all-important ATAR score.

Besides the challenge of taking on a university subject, this subject may also count as part of the VCE and contribute towards the ATAR as the fifth or sixth subject.

There are no tuition fees for Deakin Accelerate.

Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at [Deakin Accelerate](#).

➤ [Federation University – Advance to University](#)

Advance to University is an opportunity for Year 12 students to study first year university units as part of their VCE. Successful completion of these units may contribute towards the ATAR, and students get credit towards their university degree.

There are no fees for Advance to University.

Find out more, including subjects on offer, at [Advance to University](#).

➤ [La Trobe University – Aspire Achieve Plus Program](#)

Achieve Plus is an opportunity for high achieving Year 12 VCE students to complete a pair of first-year university subjects – one in each semester – in their Year 12 and have them recognised as part of their VCE.

There are no fees associated with the Aspire Achieve Plus Program.

Find out more, including the subjects on offer at [Achieve Plus](#).

➤ [RMIT University – VCE Extension](#)

RMIT's VCE Extension allows domestic Year 12 students to undertake university subjects while completing their VCE. These courses may be eligible for credit in a related RMIT program.

Students will get a taste of university life; they attend lectures and study on campus with full access to all the services and facilities enjoyed by RMIT students. The two **VCE Extension** courses on offer are counted towards the VCE and may contribute towards their ATAR.

There are no fees for RMIT Extension courses.

Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at [VCE Extension](#).

➤ [University of Melbourne – Extension Program](#)

The **Extension Program** is an opportunity for high achieving Year 12 students to study a university subject whilst at school which counts towards their ATAR, as well as experience university life.

There are no fees for participation in the Extension Program.

Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at [Extension Program](#).

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Global And International Studies Degrees in Victoria in 2024

Many universities in Victoria offer courses that include major studies in *international studies*, *global studies*, *international relations*, *policy studies*, *politics*, etc. that students keen on a career as a diplomat, or working in government or NGO's, might be keen on studying. Students should note that the prerequisite VCE subject for most of the degrees listed below is **only an English or EAL**, although a course at Monash does require a maths as well *. Note: *international studies*, *global studies*, *international relations*, *policy studies*, *politics*, etc., are offered in a number of Bachelor of Arts degrees as majors or minors too. **For a comprehensive list of all relevant courses (including the many other double-degree options) on offer at universities, visit [VTAC](https://www.vtac.edu.au).**

UNIVERSITY	COURSE	MAJOR STUDIES IN 2024
ACU	Arts/Global Studies	Business Studies, Criminology, Drama, Economics, English, History, Mathematics, Media, Music, Philosophy, Politics and International Relations, Psychology, Sociology, Study of Religions/Theological Studies, Visual Arts.
	International Development Studies	International Development Studies.
Deakin	Arts/Master of International Relations	Animation (minor only), Anthropology, Arabic, Chinese, Criminology, Design thinking (minor only), Education, English - children's literature, English - creative writing, English - literature, Film and television studies, Gender and sexuality studies, History, Indigenous studies (Online, minor only), Indonesian, International relations, Media and communication, Media studies, Performing arts, Philosophy, Politics and policy studies, Public relations studies, Religious studies, Social media, Sociology, Spanish, Sport and society (minor only), Sport journalism, Strategic advertising, Visual arts and photography, Visual communication design, Web design (minor only).
	International Studies (Global Scholar)	Anthropology, Arabic, Chinese, Global experience, Indonesian, International relations, Politics and policy studies, Spanish.
^^ Law/PPE new from 2024	International Studies	Anthropology, Arabic, Chinese, Indonesian, International relations, Politics and policy studies, Spanish.
	Politics, Philosophy and Economics ^^	Economics, Philosophy, Politics.
La Trobe	Global Studies	Asian politics and security, Chinese studies, Conflict and negotiation, French studies, Government and policy, Greek studies, Hindi studies, Human rights, International relations, Italian studies, Japanese studies, Spanish studies, Sustainability and development.
	Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE)	Economics, Philosophy, Political Economy, Political Philosophy, Politics.
Monash	Global Studies	Global studies, Human rights, Intercultural studies, International relations, International studies, Languages.
	International Relations	Climate futures, Comparative politics, Development, rights and power, International Relations, Peace, conflict and security, Policy and governance, Politics.
	Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE) *	Economic analysis, Economics, Philosophy, Politics and governance.
RMIT	International Studies	Arms control, Cross cultural studies, Cultural diversity, Development studies, Gender studies, Global security, Globalisation, History, Human rights, Humanitarian assistance, International development, International economics, International law, International relations, International studies, Language and literacy, Languages and culture studies, Politics and policy studies, Social research methods.
	Three specialisations on offer: *Development *Global Security *Languages	
Swinburne	Arts	Climate and social justice, Criminology, Ethics and technology, Indigenous studies, Literature and creative writing, <i>Perspectives on globalisation</i> , Politics power and technology, Screen studies and popular culture.
Uni Melbourne	Arts	Ancient world studies, Anthropology, Arabic studies, Art history, Asian studies, Chinese societies (minor), Chinese studies, Classics, Creative writing, Criminology, Development studies (minor), Digital studies (minor), Economics, English and theatre studies, English language studies (minor), Environmental studies (minor), European studies (minor), French studies, Gender studies, Geography, German studies, Hebrew and Jewish studies, History, History and philosophy of science, Indigenous studies, Indonesian studies, Islamic studies, Italian studies, Japanese societies (minor), Japanese studies, Knowledge and learning (minor), Korean studies (minor), Law and justice (minor), Linguistics and applied linguistics, Media and communications, Medieval and early modern studies (minor), <i>Philosophy, Politics and international studies</i> , Psychology, Russian studies, Screen and cultural studies, Sociology, South Asian studies (minor), Spanish and Latin American studies.
VU	Community Development	Community development.

* A Maths is a prerequisite

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Snapshot of the University of Queensland (UQ) in 2024

- UQ is one of Australia's leading research and teaching institutions.
- UQ is consistently ranked well inside the top 50 of more than 10,000 universities worldwide - [International Rankings](#).
- UQ is located in and around Brisbane, and the university has teaching and research sites throughout Queensland, and its major campuses are at St Lucia, Gatton, and Herston - [Campuses & Locations](#).
- There are six faculties at UQ, which are responsible for academic programs and decisions regarding a student's pursuit of their academic program - [Faculties](#).
- At UQ students can choose from an extensive range of undergraduate programs, many of which can be "customised" by major – and minor – fields of study. Programs are organised through schools and faculties, but sometimes a student can "mix and match" between them with electives and dual degrees - [Courses & Programs](#).
- UQ has a diverse student exchange program, and students can study overseas for up to one year while gaining credit towards their UQ degree. UQ has over 120 exchange partners in over 30 countries - [UQ Abroad](#).
- Students keen on learning another language can enrol in one of over 30 different language courses through UQ's Institute of Modern Languages - [Institute of Modern Languages](#).
- There are over 200 clubs and societies at UQ, all aimed at expanding a student's social life, playing an important role in the UQ student experience - [Clubs and Societies](#).
- The [Employability Award](#) program is a structured program that recognises the personal and professional development a student gains from their involvement in activities above and beyond academic studies.
- UQ has a dedicated website designed for future students to find answers to all the questions they might have about studying at UQ - [UQ Answers](#).
- UQ has some excellent facilities including -
 - * a state-of-the-art multi-purpose learning space for first-year engineering students - [Engineering](#)
 - * the School of Veterinary Science complex - [Veterinary Science](#)
 - * the Pharmacy Australia Centre of Excellence (PACE) precinct which houses the School of Pharmacy - [Pharmacy](#)
- UQ has 10 residential colleges and a number of residences - [Accommodation](#).
- UQ offers a range of scholarship options to make university study more affordable, ranging in value up to \$12,000 per year for the VC Scholarship - [Scholarships](#).

