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## Careers Corner Term 3, 28 August 2020

Like our School Careers Facebook page for the latest information https://www.facebook.com/killarahighschool The school is also subscribed to: JobJump: https://www.jobjump.com.au/ The password to register is: kh \*Students and parents can sign up to Jobjump. School Careers Website: http://www.killarahighcareers.com/ Careers Bullseyes: https://myfuture.edu.au/footer/assist-others/career-bullseye-posters#/

# Articles of Interest:

https://www.smh.com.au/hsc-study-guide-2020

https://www.smh.com.au/please-explain/please-explain-podcast-university-will-never-be-the-same-again-20200817-p5 5mer.html

https://www.smh.com.au/business/workplace/54-000-fewer-apprenticeships-to-start-this-year-threatening-longer-termskills-shortages-20200707-p559ry.html

# Year 10 Work Experience Update:

Please refer to the email sent on 23/7/20 to all Year 10 Killara families regarding the modified Work Experience Program for 2020. Work Experience for all students will be during Week 8 Term 4 30/11/20-4/12/20. Service Learning will not run this year due to COVID restrictions. Students must be proactive in finding a work experience placement for this period as forms are due to the Careers Staffroom by the end of Term 3. We recognise that placements will be competitive due to the evolving COVID situation, however, we encourage all students to do their best in seeking a placement as soon as possible. Please ensure the employer identifies the COVID safe practices in place on page 2 of the Student Placement Record. If you have previously organised your work experience it must be amended to the new dates (as per above) and a new Student Placement Record 2020 must be completed.. Should you have any gueries please contact the careers advisers via careers@khs.nsw.edu.au. For all the relevant information and paperwork please refer to the Careers section on the school website, see link below: https://killara-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/careers/

# Years 10-12 student information:

## Killara High School Portal For Medicine/Dentistry Entry:

For students interested in studying medicine/dentistry you can login into Killara High School's Portal (student and parent access):

Link: http://icanmed.com.au/killara

Password: KILLARAMEDDENT

# Year 12 student information:

Congratulations to our 43 Year 12 students who received unconditional early offers to study at Macquarie University through the Leaders and Achievers early entry scheme! Round 3 closes next Monday 31st August. If you are applying and would like one of the Careers Advisers to have a read through it, please either hand us a hard copy or send us an email at <u>careers@khs.nsw.edu.au</u>.

# **Open Days & Info Sessions**

## **Skills and Thrills Digital Parent Showcase**

10 August 2020 - 4 September 2020

Online

The Skills and Thrills Digital Parents Showcase is an engaging and informative 20 minute video created to highlight Vocational Education and Training (VET) and the success stories that emanate from VET pathways. The Digital Parents Showcase will help parents better understand vocational pathways, including apprenticeships/traineeships and school-based apprenticeships/traineeships, and gives parents the knowledge they need to help their children make informed career choices post high school.

SkillsOne has created a free video that parents can access to learn about the following;

- Apprenticeships and Traineeships
- TAFE/ Private Training Providers
- Industry trends
- Covid-19 impacts on industry
- Funding options available (Smart and Skilled)
- Vocational Education and Training (VET) Options: School -delivered VET, SBATs and EVET
- Where to find information
- Resources and support services

Supporting this video, SkillsOne will be holding a live streamed Q&A panel discussion on the SkillsOne Facebook page on **26 August 2020**. Industry and education professionals will be available to answer parents' pre-submitted questions.

Skills and Thrills Digital Parent Showcase is an initiative funded by the NSW Department of Education – Learning and Teaching Directorate (Secondary Education).

# HOW PARENTS CAN ACCESS THE CONTENT:

- Content will only be available for a four week period from August 10 to September 4 2020. Content cannot be downloaded or saved, so must be watched during this time.
- To participate, parents need to pre-register their interest to receive viewing information and updates at <a href="https://www.skillsone.com.au/">https://www.skillsone.com.au/</a>
- Content will be free for parents
- Live Q&A Panel discussion on 26 August (evening) on SkillsOne Facebook
- Parents can pre-submit any questions to do with careers/ industry to info@skillsone.com.au

Please be aware that the information listed is subject to change. For further information on any of the above or for general inquiries please contact the careers faculty. Email <u>careers@khs.nsw.edu.au</u>

## 2020 Youth Futures Summit

24 August 2020, 10:00 am - 28 August 2020, 3:00 pm

COVID-19 has completely disrupted our work and social lives. Not only has it led to the massive shift of most people working from home and remotely, but it has also led to a huge jump in youth unemployment and underemployment, increasing debt for young people, disruption to school and education, serious mental health challenges, and more.

YFS2020 will adapt to the challenges of our time and be a completely virtual event. YFS2020 will:

- Draw together thousands of people from multiple sectors and communities that are reflective of the diversity of cultures, backgrounds, experiences, and beliefs that make up all of Australia
- Be co-presented, co-attended and shaped by young people
- Deep-dive into the challenges and identify what the solutions should be
- Explore a number of different areas from education, youth mental health, the Australian economy, training, job services, young workers' rights, and what the future of work will look like.

The Summit provides an opportunity for you to be part of forming a new ecosystem now and for the future of work, which is co-designed with young people for young people.

Find out more: https://youthfuturessummit.org.au/

## ACU | Bachelor of Arts – Western Civilisation Webinar

24 August 2020, 5:00 pm

Learn about ACU's new Bachelor of Arts (Western Civilisation) and the generous scholarships – 30 scholarships valued at \$30,000 per year (\$90,000 total) across the duration of your degree – funded by the Ramsay Centre. Have your guestions answered by Professor Tim McKenry, ACU Faculty of Education and Arts.

Find out more: https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/august/bachelor-of-arts-western-civilisation

## Crimson Education | Overseas Study in a Post-COVID World

25 August 2020, 6:00 pm

While COVID-19 has caused wide-ranging disruptions to education and global travel, top US and UK unis are working hard to get students back on campus. Join this webinar as we map out all the changes and options families need to know to pursue overseas study with confidence.

- What universities and governments are doing to get international students back on campus
- What options you have to delay your overseas uni start date deferring, gap years and transferring
- Understanding any changes in the application process, fees, financial aid, scholarships and visa availability

Find out more: https://pages.crimsoneducation.org/WhatOverseasStudyLooksLikein2021andBeyond.html

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### CQUni | TAFE Information Session

26 August 2020, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Thinking about starting a TAFE qualification?

Discover more about your training options at our CQUni TAFE Information Session Online.

Have your questions answered by staff and learn about our flexible study, pathway opportunities, apprenticeship information and how funding options may dramatically reduce the cost of your course.

Find out more: https://www.cqu.edu.au/events/event-items/information-session/tafe-information-session3

#### WSU | Entry to Western: Online Information Session for Senior Students

27 August 2020, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Thinking about starting uni in 2021 but not sure how to get in? Our live webinar will take you through how to apply and all the available entry pathways to a course at Western Sydney University, setting you up for your future success.

Online

Learn about the courses we have on offer, the different ways you can apply, and the entry pathways available so that you can start your dream course in 2021. Hear from our staff and current students on how to choose the options that are right for you, plus ask all those important questions during the live Q&A throughout the session,

Find out more: https://uws.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN xxy SxnVSQCivw6 ozpMCQ

#### Workforce of the Future – A National Skills Week Event

28 August 2020, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

What does Australia's workforce of the future look like? What kinds of jobs will be around after the COVID-19 pandemic? What skills and training do school leavers need to make sure they can find meaningful, long-term employment? Join three of Australia's leading business leaders from across the Mining, Digital and Human Services sectors to discuss the future of Australia's workforce.

In this special one-hour live streamed event featuring leaders from the Australian Government's Skills Organisation Pilots you will have the chance to ask questions and learn about the skills employers are looking for to build the workforce of the future.

Find out more: https://www.employment.gov.au/workforce-future-national-skills-week-event

## endota Wellness College | Virtual Open Day

29 August 2020, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

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Learn how you can Restore Wellness with Remedial Massage, care for others with Beauty Therapy or lead a team with Salon Management. Hear about our eWC community and how you can embark on a new journey with full-time, part-time or distance study at our Docklands or Rozelle campus.

Find out more: https://endotawellnesscollege.edu.au/virtual-open-day/

#### Crimson Education | How to Get Into Harvard, Oxford and Beyond

31 August 2020, 6:00 pm

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An introduction to US & UK unis covering everything students and parents need to know in 30 minutes.

Many students leave it too late to research US & UK unis so this webinar is specifically for:

- Year 9 to 11 students
- Parents of high school students
- Academically curious students
- Athletically talented students
- Families who want overseas study to be an option

Find out more: <u>https://pages.crimsoneducation.org/AUOxfordHarvardBeyond.html</u>

#### UON | Bachelor of Music Webinar

1 September 2020, 5:30 pm

Join our Program Convenor to learn about the Bachelor of Music. Discover what you will study throughout the degree, work integrated learning opportunities and career outcomes.

Find out more: https://uonewcastle.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN 1DYR-bgxRnmGAPOphT55Lg

#### Crimson Education | Creating Extraordinary Extracurriculars for Top Uni Admission

5 September 2020, 6:00 pm

With COVID-19 causing disruption to learning around the world, what students do outside of the classroom can be the difference between gaining admission to top unis or not. In the US, having extraordinary extracurriculars on an application has always been important but now, unis in the UK and Australia are following suit.

Learn from recent admits to unis like Yale, UPenn, Duke and Cornell about what top unis look for in extracurriculars and how to go beyond just being an active member of a school community.

Find out more: <u>https://pages.crimsoneducation.org/CreatingExtraordinaryExtracurricularsforTopUniAdmission.html</u>

#### Crimson Education | US Sport Scholarship Summit

12 September 2020, 6:00 pm

Online

The US Sport Scholarship Summit will cover the basic information, application specifics that can improve your admission chances and an extensive Q&A session. Sports where students can gain scholarship funding includes rowing, swimming, water polo, track and field, soccer, tennis, golf, rugby, lacrosse, field hockey, softball, volleyball, basketball and more.

Find out more: <u>https://pages.crimsoneducation.org/Sports-Summit.html</u>

#### Crimson Education | Bursting the Bubble – How to Leave Home After High School and Succeed Overseas

16 September 2020, 6:00 pm

Crimson Education CEO, Jamie Beaton, will be sharing his advice for families considering overseas study based on his journey going from high school in Auckland to studying at Harvard, Stanford and Oxford while working alongside world leaders and founding a global education company.

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Find out more: https://app.livestorm.co/crimson-education/bursting-the-bubble-how-to-leave-home-after-high-school-and-succeed-ov erseas

#### Crimson Education | Preparing For Law – Advice For Year 9-11s

26 September 2020, 6:00 pm

Are you thinking of studying Law at university? It's a tried and true pathway for students who are getting great scores and prefer reading and writing over solving maths equations. But what is law really all about and are you well-suited to it? Do you know all your uni options and the variety of employment pathways? Join this webinar with a panel of young law admits to learn more!

Find out more: <u>https://app.livestorm.co/crimson-education/preparing-for-law-advice-for-year-9-11s</u>

# Workshops & Courses

## NIE | UCAT Medical Interviews Preparation Workshop – Online

30 September 2020, 10:00 am - 1 October 2020, 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 which they received an interview offer from.

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

## WSU Short Creative Courses for High School Students

Western Sydney University is proud to announce that it is now a Creative Kids provider of short courses for high school students in Years 10-12.

In August 2020 WSU will be launching their first two Creative Kids courses:

- 'Writing Short Fiction' with Felicity Castagna, starting August 25
- 'Introduction to Musical Improvisation' with Jessica Arlo Irish, starting August 26

Both courses run for 5 weeks online and costs are fully covered when you register using a Creative Kids voucher.

Find out more here: https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/writing and society/creativekids

# **Scholarships**

#### Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme

Value: Up to \$15,000 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: October 1, 2020 – November 8, 2020

The Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme is designed to encourage and assist undergraduate students in health-related disciplines to complete their studies and join the health workforce. The scheme provides scholarships for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people studying an entry level health course.

Applications will be considered from applicants who are:

- of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- enrolled or intending to enrol in an entry level or graduate entry level health related course
- intending to study in the academic year that the scholarship is offered.

#### Find out more

#### UOS Western Union Foundation Scholarship

Value: \$7,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: September 9, 2020 – January 13, 2021

This scholarship is part of Western Union's signature program 'Education for Better'.

You must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident, or citizen of New Zealand
- be currently enrolled or commencing an undergraduate degree program with the Faculty of Science, Faculty of Engineering or the University of Sydney Business School.

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit, student's financial circumstances and a personal statement which demonstrates the applicant's interest and focus on the social impact enhancing the benefit of economic opportunity and education. Preference will be given to students from indigenous or refugee backgrounds.

## Find out more

## UNSW Engineering Rural Scholarships Program

Value: Up to \$12,000 AUD

Open/Closing Dates: July 30, 2020 – September 30, 2020

The Faculty of Engineering Rural Scholarships Program aims to assist high achieving high school students from rural or isolated areas to study in the Faculty of Engineering at UNSW.

To be eligible, applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Your family home has to be or have been located in a rural or isolated area for at least four of your high school years
- You should have attended secondary school in a rural or isolated area for at least four years (exemption: rural students in receipt of a scholarship to attend a metropolitan secondary boarding school)
- Australian Citizen or Australian Permanent Resident
- Have completed the NSW HSC (or interstate equivalent) or IB, either:
  - in the year prior to commencing study at UNSW, or
  - in the previous two years prior to commencing at UNSW, provided no tertiary study was undertaken during this period.
- Be commencing full-time undergraduate study (single or dual degree) in any program in the Faculty of Engineering at UNSW. (*NOTE: some scholarships may have specific program requirements. Please refer to the scholarships listed for further details*)

#### Find out more

#### 2021 Teacher Education Scholarship Program

Value: \$7,500 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 1, 2020 – September 11, 2020

HSC students, university students and career changers, you could get paid while you study to become a teacher of a high-demand subject area. Up to 150 Teacher Education Scholarships are available for future teachers of mathematics, science (with physics), selected Technological and Applied Studies (TAS) subjects, special education (K-12) or English with modern and/or ancient history.

Eligible applicants are Australian citizens or permanent residents who are:

- students completing the HSC in 2020 in a NSW or ACT secondary school or TAFE NSW who will be entering into an initial teacher education program at a recognised Australian university in 2021
- university students currently undertaking a suitable degree, or an undergraduate or postgraduate initial teacher education program at a recognised Australian university
- individuals who are no longer at school, already have a degree, or have industry experience and are intending to enrol in an initial teacher education program at a recognised Australian university in 2021
- willing to accept an appointment as a permanent full time teacher to a NSW public school in an agreed location for a minimum period of three years.

## Find out more

## 2021 teach.Rural Scholarship Program

Value: \$7,500 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 1, 2020 – September 11, 2020

HSC students, or current university students completing teacher training no earlier than the end of 2021, you could get paid while you study to become a primary or secondary teacher in a rural or remote NSW public school. Up to 60 teach.*Rural* scholarships are available.

Eligible applicants are Australian citizens or permanent residents who are:

- students completing the HSC in 2020 in a NSW or ACT secondary school or TAFE NSW who will be entering into an initial teacher education program at a recognised Australian university in 2021
- current university students completing teacher training no earlier than the end of 2021
- willing to accept an appointment as a permanent full time teacher to a NSW public school in an agreed location for a minimum period of three years.

## Find out more

## 2021 Teacher Education Scholarship Program – Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

Value: \$7,500 AUD per year

Open/Closing Dates: August 1, 2020 – September 11, 2020

HSC students, university students and career changers, you could get paid while you study to become a teacher. Up to 80 Teacher Education Scholarships are available for talented Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander students to train as primary or secondary teachers

Eligible applicants are Australian citizens or permanent residents who are:

- students completing the HSC in 2020 in a NSW or ACT secondary school or TAFE NSW who will be entering into an initial teacher education program at a recognised Australian university in 2021
- university students currently undertaking a suitable degree, or an undergraduate or postgraduate initial teacher education program at a recognised Australian university
- individuals who are no longer at school, already have a degree, or have industry experience and are intending to enrol in an initial teacher education program at a recognised Australian university in 2021
- willing to accept an appointment as a permanent full time teacher to a NSW public school in an agreed location for a minimum period of three years.

Find out more

# Competitions

## **Nextwave Film Competition**

The search is now on for the next wave of young regional filmmakers.

Nextwave is Australia's largest regional youth short film competition and is free to enter for young people aged between 10 - 25 years, living outside a metro area.

Short films can range from a variety of genres, including comedies, dramas, thrillers, sci-fi, animation, documentary and personal essays. All that is needed to enter is to make a short film under five minutes (including all credits) and to creatively include the phrase, 'What's Next?".

Along with an array of awards and prizes across a variety of age categories, short film finalists will have their films premiere at the SWIFF in Coffs Harbour in January, 2021.

## Entries close on Monday 21 September.

Find out more and enter here: https://nextwavefilm.com.au/what-is-the-nextwave-competition/

## EQUS Quantum Art Competition 2020

In recognition of National Science Week, the ARC Centre of Excellence for Engineered Quantum Systems (EQUS) is running a quantum-themed art competition!

It's not our place to define art. All we ask is that your submission relates to or depicts one or more concepts from quantum physics or quantum technology. That means visual, audio, written—any kind of art is welcome, as long as it connects with the weird and wonderful world of quantum.

The winner will receive a cash prize of \$400.

## Entries are open until Monday 31 August.

Find out more and enter here: https://equs.org/events/quantum-art-2020

#### Short Screenplay Challenge 2020

The Short Screenplay Challenge is a competition that challenges writers around the world to create short screenplays based on genre, location, and object assignments in 48 hours.

Each writer will participate in at least 2 writing challenges and as many as 4 depending on how well they place in each challenge.

Writers who advance to the fourth and final round get the chance to compete for thousands of dollars in cash and prizes.

**Registration for the competition closes on Thursday September 24**, and the first challenge begins on Friday September 25.

Find out more and enter here: http://www.nycmidnight.com/Competitions/ShSC/Challenge.htm

#### Little Big Idea Competition

Little Big Idea is a competition for students in Years 3 to 8 to come up with innovative ideas that will help shape the future.

The winning entries receive \$10,000 to help bring their idea to life, or a trip to NASA. There are also 9 \$1,000 prizes up for grabs for runner-ups.

#### The competition is open until Friday 18 September.

Find out more and enter here: https://littlebigidea.com.au

#### Life Framer Photography Awards

Life Framer is a photography award that sources and showcases outstanding work from amateur to established artists.

Photographers are invited to submit entries to a different theme for each month of the year. Each month winning photographers receive feedback, online exposure and \$2,000 in cash prizes.

Entries are open to both professional and amateur photographers over the age of 18 from anywhere in the world.

Find out more and enter here: https://www.life-framer.com/

# **Careers & Jobs**

#### In-demand roles for 24 August 2020

This week, there was strong growth for roles in Admin & Office Support.

These jobs can include roles such as personal assistants, administrative assistants, receptionists, data entry roles, and more. You can also read our <u>virtual assistant Job Spotlight</u> to learn more.

Here are the top in-demand roles by location:

NSW – <u>Teachers</u> (1,684 jobs) VIC – <u>Cleaner</u> (757 jobs) QLD – <u>Nursing</u> (847 jobs) ACT – <u>Data Engineer</u> (185 jobs) WA – <u>Forklift Driver</u> (1,360 jobs) SA – <u>Storeperson</u> (518 jobs) TAS – <u>Carpenter</u> (54 jobs) NT – <u>Labourer</u> (97 jobs) Source: <u>Seek Australia</u>

## The Life of a Trauma Cleaner

Considering a career as a <u>cleaner</u>? There are lots of options as to which way you'd like your career to go. One of them is becoming a Trauma Cleaner.

Trauma or Crime Scene cleaners need specialist training. They have to deal with the disposal of biological waste and the harsh chemicals often required, both of which could be potentially hazardous. It's definitely not the job for everyone – you'd need a strong stomach and benefit from the ability to deal with unpleasant smells.

They might be called in to clean up crime scenes or after an accident, and they often have to deal with places where hoarders have lived too.

Sandra Pankhurst has done the job for 20 years, and you can see what she has to say about the job in the video on our blog.

If you're interested to read more about Sandra, you can read an interview with the author of a book about her <u>here</u>. Or, you could find out <u>how to become a Trauma Cleaner in Australia</u>.

# **Further Learning**

## Torrens University Australia Career Crush Quiz

Want to turn your natural talents into a dream job? The Torrens University Australia Career Crush is an online quiz that reveals your personal strengths, passions and aspirations to match you with the careers and courses you're most compatible with.

Career Crush not only delivers a personality profile, compatible careers and courses, but also throws in a tailored Spotify playlist, personalised podcast and bespoke recipe – perfect food for thought when planning those next steps towards your dream career.

Torrens' fun, 5-minute Career Crush quiz will reveal how you can turn your passions, aspirations and strengths into a career you love.

Take the quiz here: <u>https://www.torrens.edu.au/career-crush</u>

#### New Bachelor of Education (Primary) at WSU in 2021

Starting in Semester 1, 2021, Western Sydney University will be offering their new Bachelor of Education (Primary).

This course is a pathway to becoming a primary school teacher, and has a particular emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

The new course will be available at WSU's Bankstown campus.

Find out more here: <u>https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/courses/undergraduate/bachelor-of-education-primary.html</u>

#### AIM's New Short-Term Undergraduate Certificate Courses

AIM are now offering four new Short-Term Undergraduate Certificate courses that will help you gain knowledge and provide you with practical skills for your music career.

There are several courses available for anyone interested in a career in music, whether you're already an established musician or just starting your journey. The courses take only 7 months to complete, meaning you are qualified faster.

The Undergraduate Certificate awards available are:

- Music and Arts Management
- <u>Music Production</u>
- <u>Music Performance</u>
- Music Theory and Practice

AIM's next intake begins in September, and you have until Monday 7 September to apply.

Find out more here: <u>https://www.aim.edu.au/enquire-now</u>

#### Earn Your Certificate III in Aviation at High School

Basair Aviation College offer the Certificate III in Aviation – Remote Pilot, Visual Line of Sight course for students in Years 10, 11 and 12.

The course gives you a comprehensive understanding of the UAV industry and a clear strategy for how to progress your career in aviation. You will also graduate with a CASA Aeronautical Radio Certificate and Remote Pilot Licence (RePL) qualification.

The course is available at Basair's Bankstown, Cessnock and Archerfield campuses.

Find out more: <u>http://www.basair.com.au/Course/Details/Certificate-III-in-Aviation</u>

### The Cotton Gap Program

The Cotton Gap is a future-focused industry program developed by Cotton Australia, connecting school leavers with farmers and exposing them to the diverse range of careers available in the cotton industry.

If you haven't considered a career in cotton, now's the time to start because there is something on offer for everyone. From machinery operators, bug checkers, irrigation specialists, farm hands, crop consultants, drone operators and scientists; to fashion designers, communication specialists, policy officers, lawyers and network engineers.

To participate in the program, students must register their interest. Cotton Australia then works with growers to match students with an appropriate placement during the cotton growing season.

Find out more here: <u>https://cottonaustralia.com.au/cotton-gap</u>

#### Macquarie | Open Day Streamed – On Demand

Missed Macquarie's Open Day? We have you covered with our Open Day On Demand.

View recordings of our live segments, download information guides and booklets, review our extensive list of FAQs (you may find answers to questions that you never thought to ask!).

If you still have questions and would like to speak to one of our team, you can live chat with us on the website or we have one-on-one Zoom consultations available.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Macquarie University community soon.

Find out more: <u>https://www.mq.edu.au/open-day</u>

## Macquarie Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme – Applications Close 31 August

The Macquarie Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme is available for students completing the NSW Higher School Certificate, ACT Senior Secondary Certificate or International Baccalaureate (IB) in 2020.

This scheme recognises academic achievement as well as your involvement in leadership and community engagement activities during Year 11 and/or Year 12. This may include voluntary or paid activities you participated in at your school or within your community.

If your application is successful, you will receive an offer to study at Macquarie in 2021 before you complete your final exams.

## Applications for the last round close 2.00pm Monday 31 August 2020.

To speak with one of our team call 02 9850 6767 or email futurestudents@mq.edu.au.

For details on how to apply and key dates visit: <u>https://mq.edu.au/leaders-and-achievers</u>

#### National Skills Week 2020

National Skills Week is back in 2020, running from Monday 24 to Sunday 30 August.

It is all about raising the profile and awareness around vocational education and training (VET) in Australia. You can find out about your career opportunities and where VET can take you in the future.

There are heaps of events throughout National Skills Week to help you learn more about VET, as well as stories from VET graduates, and more.

Find out more here: <u>https://www.nationalskillsweek.com.au/</u>

# **Work Experience**

## Projects Abroad Medical Work Experience

Projects Abroad understands that getting medical work experience as a student can be extremely difficult. They offer young people from secondary and senior secondary school a safe, guided experience into the world of medicine through their High School Special Projects.

Their medical internships abroad for high school students focus on experiential education, so you learn by doing. You can expect to:

- Shadow doctors and other medical professionals in busy hospitals and clinics
- Attend medical workshops and seminars
- Get first-hand insight into the healthcare challenges people face everyday
- Participate in community healthcare outreaches that serve people in need
- Learn essential medical skills like measuring blood pressure and blood sugar levels

You'll be part of an ethical medical project that benefits local communities. Furthermore, you'll actively demonstrate your commitment to healthcare and helping people, which will help your university application stand out from the crowd.

#### Learn more

## Work Experience Advice

In 2020, with businesses closed or having to stick to strict COVID regulations in order to operate, work placements could be tricky. You may need to look at work experience alternatives in order to explore industries and careers that you're interested in.

Some businesses may still be able to offer placements, so it's still worth searching for them. You could start on our <u>work experience page</u>. Also try contacting businesses that you're interested in directly, your initiative and enthusiasm may get you through the door.

## It's never too late to get work experience

If you're in high school and you're stressing out that you haven't yet had any work experience, there is plenty of time left.

In the meantime, you can have a look at all the options we've listed, maybe narrow down your career choices and start looking again when more businesses open back up.

You could also look at doing workshops, short courses and micro-credential courses that could teach you news skills, illustrate your willingness to learn and add volume to your resume.

# Resources

#### 2021 Science and Innovation Awards

Entries to the 2021 Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry are open.

The award is a competitive grants program that supports young people to undertake a project on an innovative or emerging scientific issue, including biophysical and social sciences, which will contribute to the ongoing success and sustainability of Australia's agriculture, fisheries and forestry industries.

The Science Awards aim to encourage science, innovation and technology in rural industries and help to advance the careers of young researchers, scientists, producers and innovators through national recognition of their research ideas.

Applications are open to young people aged 18 and 35 years who are working, employed or studying in agriculture, fisheries or forestry related industries.

#### Entries are open until Friday 2 October.

Find out more and enter here: https://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/conferences-events/scienceawards/info

#### Free Yoga for Teachers and Teens

Each month Yoga with Adriene offers a variety of free classes based on a different theme.

This month there are classes made especially for teachers, students, and to use in the classroom.

You can check what classes are available on her calendar <u>here</u>, or go to her <u>YouTube playlist</u> to give them a watch.

# **Job Spotlight**

#### How to become a Registered Nurse

#### What do Registered Nurses do?

Registered Nurses (RN's) support doctors and patients by providing high-level care to patients in hospitals, aged care and other facilities, even within the community.

If you're caring, compassionate as well as level-headed and practical, then nursing could be a rewarding career to consider.

## About you:

- You'll need to be patient, empathetic and professional at all times even under pressure; as well as an excellent team player
- An effective communicator with patients and colleagues, both orally and written
- Attention to detail is essential, as is the ability to prioritise, be a critical thinker, and have the willingness to keep learning

## The job:

- Observe and record patients progress, perform diagnostic tests and administer medication
- Reassure and explain to patients and their families the treatments and procedures
- Coordinate activities that could help patients to feel better, working with other health care professionals to achieve the best outcome for individuals
- Prepare patients for further examinations, testing or surgery, assist in operations and post-operative care
- Maintain and update patient and hospital records accurately and promptly
- Help or supervise other nursing staff

## Lifestyle Impact: High

- Part Time opportunities: High (50% RN's work part time Source: joboutlook.gov.au)
- Below average hours for full-time workers (average 41 per week)
- Registered Nurse salary (average) \*\$77,920 per year (Source: indeed.com) \*Salary varies between states, level of experience, part / full time hours, there is also potential for overtime.
- Future career growth: Strong (Source: joboutlook.gov.au)
- Working from home is not an option, levels of responsibility and stress may be high, shift work could also be consideration. There are opportunities for promotion, career changes, flexible hours and choice of location.

# Registered Nurses are most in demand in these locations:

Australia wide, with the majority of jobs advertised in NSW, VIC and QLD.

As an RN you could probably choose any location in Australia to look for work as they are so in demand, there could also be overseas opportunities. Nurses work in a huge variety of settings, from hospitals (in every department), schools and GP surgeries, to community services, the tourism industry and more.

## How to become a Registered Nurse in Australia

You'll need to obtain a relevant qualification (at least a Bachelor's Degree) and be registered to practise.

**Step 1** – Successfully complete Year 12 – English and Maths are essential. One of biology, chemistry or physics are often prerequisites for nursing degrees too. Other useful subjects to consider include social studies and psychology.

**Step 2** – Work experience could help to decide if healthcare is the right career for you and look good on your degree applications.

You could look for work experience in aged care, pharmacies, GP's, community health clinics and hospitals in a variety of departments. There are also <u>programs</u> in Australia and <u>projects abroad</u> to look into, (these will probably have a fee attached).

Please be aware that the information listed is subject to change. For further information on any of the above or for general inquiries please contact the careers faculty. Email <u>careers@khs.nsw.edu.au</u>

**Step 3** – Find and complete a degree that will give you the right qualifications. For example: Bachelor of Nursing at Charles Sturt University

Bachelor of Science (Nursing) at Edith Cowan University

Or complete any undergraduate degree then achieve your <u>Master of Nursing</u> (check that your chosen undergraduate degree will meet the entry requirements).

**Step 4** – Apply to the <u>Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA)</u>, for a license to practise as a Registered Nurse.

**Step 5** – Get a few years of experience then move into a more specialised role, transfer into the medical administrative sector, or apply to become a nurse unit manager.

Find out more here – https://www.apna.asn.au/ http://anmf.org.au/ https://www.acn.edu.au/ https://www.anmac.org.au/

#### **Similar Careers to Registered Nurse**

Enrolled Nurse Aged Care Worker TeleHealth Nursing Midwife Nurse Educator Pathology Collector Dietitian Cosmetic Nurse Occupational Therapist Dental Nurse Social Worker Psychologist Radiographer Paramedic

Find out more about alternative careers.

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

• Do I need qualifications to become a Registered Nurse?

Yes, you will need to be qualified – minimum Bachelor's degree in nursing – and registered to work as an RN. You should also check with the state or territory where you'll be working about any other requirements.

• Where do Registered Nurses work?

Nurses can work in hospitals, GP's, schools, in the community (visiting people's houses or working in clinics), courts of law as forensic nurses, war zones and military bases, prisons, in teaching or training environments, on cruise ships and at resorts, and may even in publication houses as writers and reporters.

# • How long will it take to qualify as a Registered Nurse?

Usually it takes a minimum of three years to become an RN, but it could take longer if you take a different pathway, e.g. 5 years if you complete a related undergraduate degree (3 years) then a postgraduate nursing degree (2 years).

# • What is the difference between and Enrolled Nurse (EN) and a Registered Nurse (RN)?

EN's are only required to complete a Diploma (2 years) not a Bachelor's Degree, the job comes with less responsibility than an RN's role – so an EN won't have to supervise other nurses, undertake complex patient's care, administer medications or carry out some diagnostic tests.