



Gong Hey Fat Choy!!

May joy and happiness surround you as we enter this Year of the Dog.

The New Year predictions for Career Professionals in the Year of the Dog are auspicious.

This is an ACTION YEAR.

Communication and solidarity between people will predominate.

GREAT!! The chance to work in solidarity and communicate with others will be brilliant.

Working in isolation to figure out how the world of work is changing is a tough gig. Pressure is increasing as the world cries out for leadership and guidance on how to succeed in the emerging world of work.

We need to shine the light on the right information at the right time so that critical decisions can be made wisely.

I hope this Year of the Dog helps us to work together and communicate more so that we can better prepare to succeed through the turbulent world of 21st century careers.

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Urgent Events

OPEN NOW – Expression of Interest – Austal Apprenticeships

Austal is currently seeking EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST for 2018 apprenticeship positions, for both new apprentices and those looking to recommence their trade in:



- Aluminium and Steel Fabrication
– Marking off, cutting, shaping, assembling and joining metal components for the construction of vessels to the defence and commercial markets
- Mechanical Fitting (Marine) - installation of main equipment, fabrication of pipe work through to testing and commissioning
- Electrical – Installing, commissioning, altering, repairing and maintaining electrical systems designed to provide heat, light, power and control
- Cabinet Making (Marine Fitout) – Fitting out the interiors of all types of vessels working with aluminium honeycomb light-weight panels

To be considered suitable for this role you must have:

 **Year 10 or higher in English, maths, metalwork and/or woodwork**

- Previous work experience and interested in the selected area
- Pre-apprenticeship in the selected trade (desirable)
- Own reliable transport (desirable)
- A passion and motivation for your selected trade
- Aspirations to deliver excellence in everything you do and a desire for ongoing learning
- Full and current Australian working rights

For more information go [HERE](#).



30 JANUARY – ECU Pathways Information Evenings

6pm Joondalup Campus

This is for anyone who:

- thinks getting into university is out of the question
- wants to understand ECU's course entry pathways
- wants to better understand what ECU offers students



ECU is a leader in finding ways for people to get into University – especially people who thought it would be mission impossible to get a uni degree. If you didn't get a great score in Year 12, haven't been at school for a while, or don't have any formal qualifications, this could be your chance to change your future.

At our Pathways Information Evening you'll find out more about our UniPrep Program and Portfolio Entry Pathway, options that can lead to studying an undergraduate (Bachelors) degree.

Register [HERE](#).

1 FEBRUARY – Applications Open UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarships for 2019

Applications open 1 February Close on 30 April 2017

This prestigious scholarship can provide access to powerful pathways to a successful career.

The UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarships provide senior secondary students who show significant academic potential, together with a strong sense of community involvement and responsibility in year 11 and 12, with an opportunity to undertake an undergraduate degree of their choice at The University of Western Australia.



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Fogarty Scholarships provide students with \$10,000 per year. Find more information [HERE](#).

1 FEBRUARY – Applications Open for Get Real Experience and Try (GREaT) Nursing and Midwifery Work Experience Program



This work experience program is designed for Year 10 students.

The Get Real Experience and Try (GREaT) Nursing and Midwifery Work Experience Program has been developed to encourage high school students to experience nursing prior to studying it with a State Training Provider or at university.

Over 5 consecutive days students rotate through many areas previously not available to school students to find out what it's really like to be a nurse or midwife and find out what nurses and midwives really do.

To find out more go [HERE](#).

2 FEBRUARY – ECU South West Campus Bachelor of Health Science Launch and Sundowner

5.30pm Friday, 2 February Building 3 Room 117A, ECU South West Campus

Edith Cowan University invites you to attend a Sundowner for the launch of our New Course Launch at ECU South West. You can find out more about our new Health Science course and meet the lecturers.

For more information and to register go [HERE](#).

Career Events

Applications are Open for Rotary Youth Exchange Scholarships for 2019

Applications close 31 March

Students aged 15 – 18 years are invited to apply. Successful applicants will have a life changing experience spending 12 months as Australian Youth Ambassadors in a foreign country.

There is a significant application process. If you are considering applying you should start now by visiting the [Western Australian Rotary Youth Exchange website](#).



Book a School Tour of Curtin Campus

The Curtin Future Student Advisor team is your first point of call if you need any assistance with future study options for your students.

If you would like to plan a school visit, go [HERE](#).

13 FEBRUARY – ECU Information Evening

6pm ECU Joondalup Campus

This is for anyone:

- thinking about studying their first degree
- wanting to better understand what ECU offers students

For more information go [HERE](#).

13 FEBRUARY – Career Practitioners' Annual Network Meeting

9am – 2.30pm Notre Dame Fremantle Campus



The annual CDAA/Notre Dame meeting (with the outstanding morning tea and lunch) is on 13th February.



Don't miss Lynn Deering and me doing a double act!! Lynn will be presenting practical strategies that prepare people for 21st century careers.

I will be encouraging career practitioners to become leaders as traditional career models are demolished.



I look forward to catching up with you and hearing your ideas for 2018.

You can register [HERE](#).

Practitioners from the country who want me to arrange meetings with experts in Perth please contact me ASAP.

16 FEBRUARY Applications Close for CQU 2018 Start Uni Now (SUN)

Start Uni Now (SUN) is a CQUniversity initiative that allows students in Years 10*, 11 and 12 to study CQUniversity units whilst still in high school.



As of Term 1 2018, high school students will have the opportunity to undertake their first Start Uni Now (SUN) unit at zero cost.

You can enrol in a range of CQUniversity units, either on-campus (face-to-face) or by distance education (online), and combine them with your regular high school work.

*Year 10 students are eligible for Term 3 (November) intake only.

For more information go [HERE](#).

20 FEBRUARY – ECU Information Evening

6pm ECU Mt Lawley Campus

This is for anyone:

- thinking about studying their first degree
- wanting to better understand what ECU offers students

For more information go [HERE](#).

22 FEBRUARY – RoboCup Mentor Briefing

[RoboCup Junior](#) is a project-oriented educational initiative that supports local, regional and international robotic events for young students.

All mentors are strongly recommended to attend the free **Mentor Briefing** for the launch of the 2018 competition at SciTech 4.30pm – 6pm 22 February. Note that this event is for mentors only.



There will be a series of workshops, events and competitions across Perth and regional West Australia. The state event returns to Curtin University Stadium on **Friday 3 and Saturday 4 August 2018**.

The full 2018 calendar is available at the RoboCup Junior WA website at www.robocupjunior.org.au/wa.

22 FEBRUARY – Applications Close for Non-Government School Scholarships

Scholarships to several West Australian non-government schools are available.

Find schools in WA that participate [HERE](#).

The test is done on 10 March **OR** a date that suits the school offering the scholarship. See the dates identified by each school on the [ACER Information for Parents](#) page.



Australian Council for Educational Research

Primary:

If your child will be entering **Grade 4, 5 or 6** (in primary school) in 2019, you need to register for the Primary scholarship test.

Secondary:

Register for Level 1 if your child is entering **Year 7 or 8** in 2019.

Register for Level 2 if your child is entering **Year 9 or 10** in 2019.

Register for Level 3 if your child is entering **Year 11 or 12** in 2019.

You can find [Preparing for the Test](#) practice materials on the ACER site.

28 FEBRUARY – Applications Close for Australian Defence Force Academy Education Award



The Australian Defence Force Academy Education Award is presented to Year 12 students in recognition of leadership potential, and academic and sporting achievements exhibited during Year 11.

The award comprises a laptop computer and certificate for the student and a recognition plaque for the School.

[Scroll down on the ADFA site for more details.](#)

Check the Calendar of Career Events at the back of the Newsletter to see major dates for 2018

Uni News

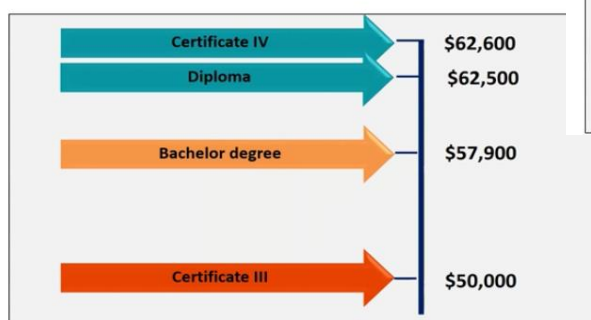
Is Going to University Worth It?

Before you take on a uni pathway check out [Is the Uni Bus Right for You?](#)

These slides were provided via a Career Development Association webinar given by Ivan Neville who is responsible for identifying current and future skills demands for the Commonwealth Government.

Education and Training

...and good starting salaries



Education and Training

And education impact on lifetime earnings



They show little income difference between students who get a degree and those who get an apprenticeship or a Certificate IV.

Alternative Pathways to University

At this time of year there is a lot of demand for information about alternative pathways to university.

Universities in West Australian now send me information on their Alternative Pathways programs which I post on the [In Focus Careers](#) site.

You can find the latest information [HERE](#).

2018 – Curtin UniReady Enabling Program Regional Bursary

The UniReady Enabling Program Regional Bursary has been developed to encourage and support regional or remote students who have chosen to study an eligible enabling course at Curtin University.

To find out more go [HERE](#).

Ranking of Western Australian Universities 2017/18

These ratings were published in the 2018 edition of [The Good Universities Guide](#).

The ratings provide independent five-star performance ratings, based on student-relevant criteria such as; graduate salaries, teaching quality, learning resources, graduate employment rates and much more.

★★★★★ Graduates rated this higher than graduates from 80% of institutions.

	Curtin	ECU	Murdoch	Notre Dame	UWA
Student Support	72.3%	★★★★★ 80.3%	76.1%	★★★★★ 85%	67.6%
Learner Engagement	★★★★★ 67.7%	★★★★★ 67.4%	61.5%	★★★★★ 79.1%	62.6%
Learner Resources	86.2%	★★★★★ 88.5%	83.3%	83.2%	80.7%
Overall Experience	80.5%	★★★★★ 86.1%	79.1%	★★★★★ 89.8%	76.5%
Skills Development	★★★★★ 83%	★★★★★ 87.1%	79.8%	★★★★★ 90.8%	77.8%
Teacher Quality	82.3%	★★★★★ 88%	80.6%	★★★★★ 90.3%	78.3%
Graduate Starting Salary	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,900
Getting a Job	67.3%	62.4%	63.4%	★★★★★ 79.6%	64.9%

Source: [‘The Good Universities Guide’](#)

Training News

AusApp Pathways



There is a fantastic new Australian Apprenticeships Pathway App. You just register with your address and all the latest apprenticeship and traineeship information in your state will be available to you. You can get the app [HERE](#).

Apprentice and Trainee Commencements Down

The latest apprentice and trainee figures are [now available](#). Overall there were 37 500 commencements (trade and non-trade) in the June 2017 quarter, down 4.7% from the same time last year. You can find an infographic of the stats [HERE](#).

The [*Historical time series of apprenticeships and traineeships in Australia*](#) has also been updated with an infographic that gives a snapshot of what's going on.

Faye Jones Retires

I saw Faye at the Career Development Association Christmas celebration. She is retiring from her position as VETiS Coordinator for the South Fremantle region.



I first met Faye in the late 80s when she was lecturing for the New Opportunities for Women program. It was an exciting time for the feminist movement and Faye had such empathy for women as they struggled to make big changes and shoot for the stars. She had strong ethical and educational views which she has taken through her career in academia, education and VET.

We might get Faye to run a workshop on how to streamline VETiS programs to make them more effective and efficient. Your thoughts??

Good luck with your new life Faye. If anyone wants to contact Faye let me know and I will email her with your address.

Year 12 February Blueprint

WHAT TO DO NOW

- Since 2016 universities have taken anticipated Year 12 ATAR results at the end of Term 2 to allocate placements into engineering courses. They may do the same for the 2019 intake.
- Notre Dame Early Offers program is based on results BEFORE final ATAR exams.
- If you are thinking of doing the Defence Force Gap Year sign up for updates on deadlines [HERE](#).

Step 1 Plan to Succeed

Discover how to plan your study schedule and your year [HERE](#).

There are tips on:

- goal setting,
- how to prioritize,
- where to get help, and
- how to have a great life outside of your study schedule.

You can check out your learning style [HERE](#). This can help you to use your study time more effectively (and it is just fun to know).

Step 2 Sign Up for Scholarship Information

There are scholarships for jewellery makers, artists, LGBTI students, ag students... there are thousands of them.

Check out the scholarship information at the [Good Universities Guide](#) and at the [Curtin University Scholarship](#) page. Identify the sorts of scholarships that you are interested in and sign up for regular emails about them.

Get tips on finding and winning scholarships [HERE](#).

Find more information about how to blitz Year 12 [HERE](#).

Year 11 February Blueprint

WHAT TO DO NOW

Step 1 Clean up Your Social Media Profile

Your social media history is plain for all to see including future bosses, and scholarship and competition judges.

It needs to be the best possible advertisement for who you are. Check out how to clean up your social media [HERE](#).

Step 2 Sign Up for Careers Information

There are a lot of sites to offer you information.

- [MyFuture](#) is the best careers website in Australia. It is run by Australian governments in collaboration with universities, educators and industry. ***Check with your careers teacher to see if your school has free access to the site. If not, it is worth the few dollars to buy access for the year.***
- If you are interested in an apprenticeship check out [Apprenticeships Australia](#) and get the app [HERE](#).

Year 10 February Blueprint

WHAT TO DO NOW

Step 1 Time to Daydream

Your dream future will not come with the blare of trumpets and flashing lights. If you are mildly interested in something you should check it out.

If you don't know how or where to find out more, ask your careers teacher to follow it up. Or email me Bev.J@infocus-careers.com.au and I will follow it up for you.

Step 2 Sharpen Your Study Skills

In Year 11 being smart isn't enough. You need to hit the ground running. Your Term 1 Year 11 marks count. Discover how to plan your study schedule and your year [HERE](#). You can check out your learning style [HERE](#). This can help you to use your study time more effectively.

For tips on How to Blitz Year 10 go [HERE](#).

Rural Regional and Remote

RRR Uni Enrolments Down

Regional student enrolment in uni is 30% down on metropolitan enrolments and remote student enrolment is down 60%.

Throughout 2018 In Focus Careers will provide information that may assist RRR students to transition from school to higher education.

Boarding Away from Home Allowance

An annual allowance to assist geographically isolated families with the cost of boarding/education charges for primary or secondary school age children.

You can find out more and apply [HERE](#).

In addition to the general allowance there are these special Boarding Away from Home allowances:

- [Agricultural College](#)
- [Gifted and Talented students](#)
- [Students who may need respite care](#)

RRR Enterprise Scholarships (Certificate IV to PhD)

Students from regional and remote areas can now apply for scholarships valued at up to \$18,000 to undertake STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) studies, including in agriculture and health fields.



The Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships supports students for up to four years (or the part-time equivalent) with the costs of studying a **Certificate IV** to a PhD level course. The scholarships support flexible study and include part-time and online students.




Students may receive a further \$500 to support an internship.

You can find more information [HERE](#).

Students with a Disability

University Support Services

University	Services for Students with a Disability	Contact
	<p>Curtin has a comprehensive range of services starting before you even start to enrol.</p> <p>Support is available for students with disability or medical conditions through Disability Services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special consideration entry • Enrolment • Orientation • Support services • Transition to university 	<p>Disability Services, Bentley Campus</p> <p>Disability Advisors Building 109, Level 2 (lift access available)</p> <p>Telephone: +61 8 9266 7850 Facsimile: +61 8 9266 3052 Freecall: 1800 651 878 Email: disabilityservices@curtin.edu.au Hours: Mon-Thurs 8.30am to 5.00pm. Friday 8 am to 4.30 pm.</p>
	<p>Student Equity, Diversity and Disability Service</p> <p>The ECU Equity, Diversity and Disability Service provides support for students with diverse study needs, particularly students with a permanent or temporary disability or medical condition which may impact on their participation at ECU or who care for a family member with a disability or medical condition. This support may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • liaison with academic staff about any potential barriers you may face and any reasonable adjustments that may be required • alternative format study materials • alternative assessment and examination conditions • access to a range of assistive equipment, software and technology • provision of note-takers, scribes or Auslan interpreters • Library assistance 	<p>If you wish to register or just to find out more information about your options, telephone the Equity, Diversity and Disability Service on 9370 6960 or email studentequity@ecu.edu.au for a confidential discussion.</p>

 <p>MURDOCH UNIVERSITY PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA</p>	<p>We encourage you to contact the Equity and Social Inclusion Office as early as possible so that we can talk with you about your specific needs and concerns.</p> <p>Don't wait for there to be a problem; we want you to know that professional help is available when you need it. Making contact early with Disability staff will assist you to get the best from your Murdoch enrolment.</p>	<p>Equity and Social Inclusion Office. Phone: (08) 9360 6084 Email: equity@murdoch.edu.au</p>
	<p>Disability Support Notre Dame is committed to providing an environment for students that is supportive and free from discrimination. The University strongly supports the admission of students with a disability and encourages those students to seek assistance from the Disability Support Office to ensure they can participate in their course of study on equal terms with other students.</p> <p>The Disability Support Office is also responsible for the management of each student's Learning Access Plan (LAP) and recommendations for reasonable adjustments.</p>	<p>Academic Enabling and Support Centre ND44 28 Mouat St Fremantle WA 6160</p> <p>Email: fremantle.aesc@nd.edu.au Phone: 08 9433 0950</p>
 <p>THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA</p>	<p>UniAccess provides free services and support to UWA students who want to disclose a disability or a medical condition and request assistance.</p> <p>UniAccess staff are equipped to recommend the best options to enable your participation. We provide an individual assessment of your needs and then work with you to plan the approach that will work best.</p> <p>A disability officer can also provide information to prospective students and their families.</p>	<p>Make an appointment to see a disability officer by phoning Student Wellbeing on (+61 8) 6488 2423.</p>
<p>It may be helpful to complete the "Understanding Your Study Requirements" form before you contact a university.</p>		

Get Ready for Work and Study



GET READY!
For Study and Work



Top tips for young people
with disability

This workbook is just one of the resources on the School to Work tab of the [National Disability Coordination Officer Program \(NDCO\) site](#).

This site supports senior students to transition to further education.

There are Career Tips and links to resources including the regional offices in:

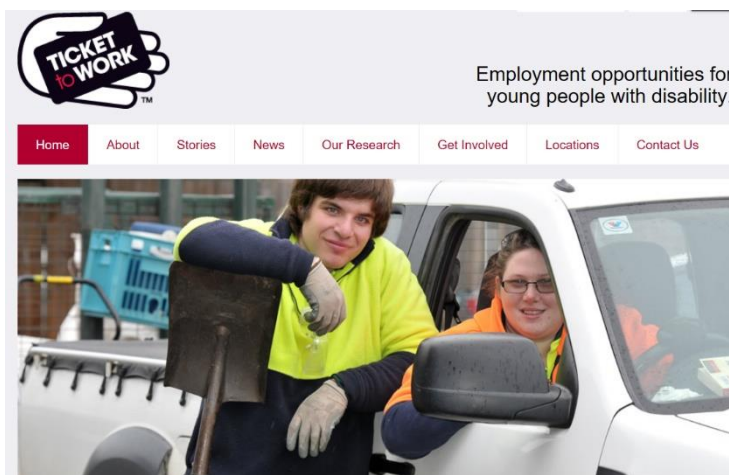
- Albany
- Capes (Busselton) region
- Manjimup
- Northam

Australian Disability Clearinghouse on Education and Training

A search for 'careers' on the [Australian Disability Clearinghouse on Education and Training](#) site will lead you to a wealth of resources on how to support students with disability into further education or employment.



Ticket to Work Program



Ticket to Work prepares young people with disability for the world of work and provides them with an open employment pathway in their transition from school.

Find your local Ticket to Work service provider [HERE](#).

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders



Commonwealth Government Scholarships

There are two different types of Commonwealth Scholarships available to assist Indigenous students experiencing financial hardship, particularly those from remote and regional areas:

- Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship (ICECS)
This scholarship is available to students experiencing financial hardship to assist with the costs of studying
- Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship (ICAS)
This scholarship is available to students who have relocated from a rural or remote area to study and are experiencing financial hardship to assist with the costs of relocating

For more information go [HERE](#).

Youth Transition Program for School Students

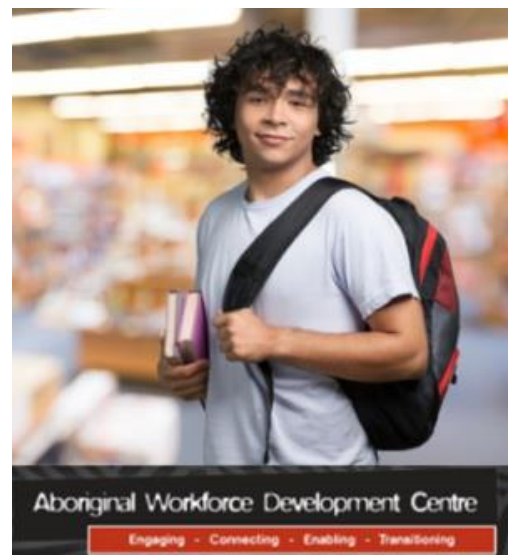
Aboriginal Workforce Development Centres started the *Aboriginal youth transitions* program to help young Aboriginal people transition to further education, training or jobs after leaving school.

The program seeks to:

- raise the ambitions of Aboriginal school students in years 10 to 12;
- ensure that students have a career transition plan completed before leaving school;
- provide access to advice on careers and training options; and
- offer work experience where available.

The AWDCs will continue to offer support and guidance to young people to help fulfil their aspirations after they leave school, via contact at regular intervals and access to specific services if required.

For more information go [HERE](#)



Teaching Resources

New Employment Support Websites

Just when you thought silos were a waste of money.... The Department of Employment has decided **NOT** to collaborate with the Department of Education. It is setting up its own separate website.



We now have the excellent and long standing [MyFuture](#) site and we also have the NEW [Job Jump Start](#) site with a section specifically designed for schools.

Having had a growl.... There are some great resources on the new site which you can find [HERE](#).

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO SUCCEED.



While on the site launch bandwagon, the Assistant Minister for Vocational Education and Skills, Karen Andrews, launched [Real Skills for Real Careers](#) featuring people sharing their personal VET success stories in videos, podcasts, brochures, posters and

across social media.

The new initiative also features a refreshed My Skills website, with an improved version of the national directory of VET in Australia.

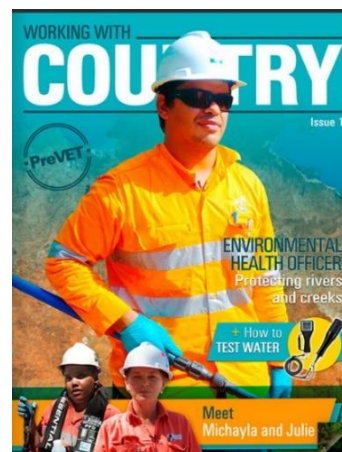
Primary Industry Education Foundation Australia

PIEFA operates and manages a web portal for teachers called [Primezone](#) that provides teachers with a one stop shop to high quality primary industries education resources from Foundation to year 12, all linked to the Australian curriculum.

Pre-VET Pathways

The Northern Territory comes up with some great resources. These Pre-VET resources were created for Indigenous students and they are a great teaching resource introducing 26 different job pathways in business, mechanics, tour operating, transport and logistics.

You can find this free resource [HERE](#).



Pre-Apprenticeship Course Finder

This site can help you find a pre-apprenticeship course in your area of interest. You can search by location. Find the information [HERE](#).

Jobs Pathway Charts for Apprenticeships

A no cost service, the AATIS Job Pathway Charts are a great resource that supports career conversations about Australian Apprenticeships.

AATIS will provide a customised PDF File with your organisations logo and contact number, for the 10 most popular Job Pathway Charts. Get more information [HERE](#).

Australian Apprenticeship Videos

A heap of new apprenticeship videos has been put together by the Australian Apprenticeship Pathways people. You can find them [HERE](#).



Open Courses and How to Use Them

We know that education is changing. The Khan Academy is one of the established open source providers which is easy to understand and use. It is....

a non-profit educational organization created in 2006 by educator Salman Khan with a goal of creating a set of online tools that help educate students. The organization produces short lectures in the form of YouTube videos.

There are some great open learning resources for all subjects on the site. For anyone wanting to explore the open online courses space you can set up a teacher account AND a class [HERE](#).



Worlds of Work

The Worlds of Work careers education resource connects secondary school students of all ages with life beyond school by investigating the question:



“What does it take to succeed in life and work?” WOW's online careers education platform and resources can be accessed [here](#). The platform is designed to provide the full careers program (including its mapping to the Australian Curriculum) for teachers to adapt to their classroom.

Unit: The Foundation for Young Australians – Worlds of Work

SCASA

This thorough (and pretty dry) [Information for Parents PowerPoint](#) is useful reading for those who have students starting the WACE.

It is heavy going and is designed to help schools to provide information to parents.

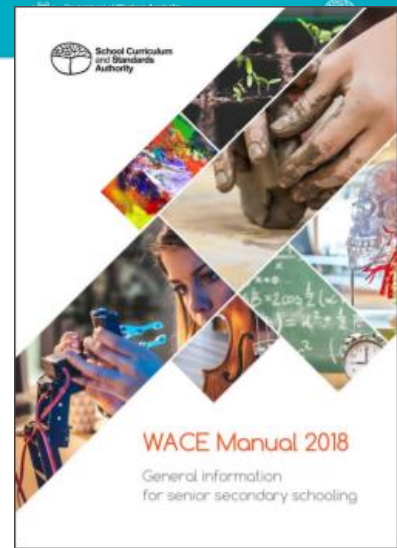


Senior secondary schooling
2018-2019

Information for Parents

The 2018 WACE Manual is available [HERE](#). This is the rule book for the WA Certificate of Education.

When in doubt go to the WACE Manual.



Government Initiatives

Digital Technologies across the Curriculum – Well worth checking out.

At last the Australian Government is doing something I love. ❤️ They have come to grips with teaching digital technologies in a robust way.

This is James Curran, Associate Professor, School of IT, University of Sydney. He says that he is proud that they identified the 10 key concepts that students would need to know, then designed the curriculum to deliver those concepts. See the clip [HERE](#).



He delivers a number of short videos on the [Digital Technologies Hub](#) which are easy to understand and which seem to offer a comprehensive framework for bringing Australian students up to speed with digital technologies so that it is second nature to them.



The site is designed for a range of target groups and is well worth checking out.

Education Services Australia then backs up this information with [these resources](#).

Careers Research

Closer Ties with Industry Recommended

With their deep connections to industry, employers and the world of work, Australian apprenticeships have the potential to address skills challenges posed by Industry 4.0.

That's the finding in the NCVER has released a report named [Australian apprenticeships: trends, challenges and future opportunities for dealing with Industry 4.0](#)

Australian apprenticeships: trends, challenges and future opportunities for dealing with Industry 4.0

Phil Loveder
National Centre for Vocational Education Research



UK Careers Education Recommendations

[The Guardian](#) published a story on recommendations for careers education in the UK.

We looked at how close schools are to eight benchmarks describing best practice – such as a stable careers programme, linking curriculum learning to careers, and offering personal guidance. While there have been improvements since 2014, there is still a long way to go.

Recommendations included:

- Develop careers content in all subjects
- Give all students information on all routes
- Provide work experience for everyone
- Track where students end up

Check out the article [HERE](#).

Opportunities

GRANTS SERVICE \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

Last year I received enquiries from across the network asking if I knew of funding available for careers related projects.

Given the severe education cutbacks this year I think there may be even more demand on alternative sources of funds.

I have bought a subscription to [The Grants Hub](#) for this year so that I will be more able to find \$\$\$ for you.

If you would like me to check out grants for you let me know. Bev.J@infocus-careers.com.au

(If you want me to apply for a grant for your school let me know. I charge a percentage of the grant for this service.)

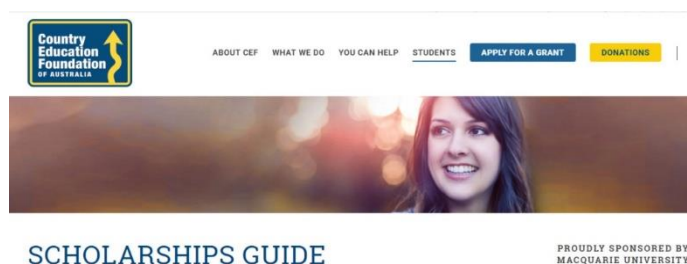
Recent Blog Posts

2018 SCHOLARSHIP TIME

2017 by [Bev Johnson](#) [Leave a comment](#)

Chasing scholarship money to support your studies is easier than serving coffee. In late 2017 I wrote a blog post about on where to find scholarships and gave tips on how to apply for them.

You can find the post [HERE](#).



Cruise into Your Future

November 9, 2017 by [Bev Johnson](#) [Leave a comment](#)



As Year 12s were finishing exams I gave some tips on how to structure and plan a cruisy transition from school into their future.

You can find the post [HERE](#).

Don't Get on the Uni Bus

[November 29, 2017](#) by [Bev Johnson](#) [Leave a comment](#)

At the end of November two reports came out showing that students are **DROPPING OUT OF UNI** in record numbers and that graduates are **TAKING LONGER TO FIND JOBS** in their chosen fields.

This post presents facts about the career advantages of TAFE v Uni and points to where you can get free career help. You can find the post [HERE](#).

What's Your Learning Style?

[December 17, 2017](#) by [Bev Johnson](#) [Leave a comment](#)

Why do you love learning sometimes but can't remember a thing at others? Why do some people annoy the hell out of you while you love working with others?

In December I posted a pop quiz that can help you to understand your leaning style. You can find the post [HERE](#).



3 Tips for Making 2018 YOUR BEST YEAR EVER

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If good luck doesn't just fall in your lap you might want to try some of the 3 tips for making 2018 your best year ever [HERE](#).

Quick Tips for Senior School Students

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Senior school is a challenge. It doesn't matter what your goals are or if you are in Year 10, 11 or 12.

You can find some strategies for easing the stress and having fun in senior school [HERE](#).



Career Event Calendar

February 2018

DATE	EVENT 2017	✓
30 January	ECU Information Evening	
1 February	Fogarty Foundation Scholarships Open	
1 February	Apply for nursing work experience program	
February	Rotary Youth Exchange Scholarships are open.	
2 February	ECU SW Campus Bachelor of Health Science Launch	
13 February	ECU Information Evening	
13 February	Career Development Association of Australia Workshop – Notre Dame.	
20 February	ECU Future Student Information Evening – Mt Lawley Campus.	
22 February	RoboCup Mentor Briefing	
22 February	Applications for the ACER Scholarship Test for 2018 entry to 22 non-government schools	
28 February	Applications close for Australian Defence Force Academy Education Award 2019	
1 March	Year 11s are invited to apply for the 2018 National Youth Science Forum.	
8 March	RoboCup Rescue Maze Workshop Sacred Heart College	
10 March	Applications close for Get Real Experience and Try (GREaT) - Nursing and Midwifery Work Experience Program	
15 March	RoboCup Rescue Line Workshop All Saints	
March TBA	Apply for ADF Gap Year for 2019	
19 March	UWA Year 10 – 11 Course Information Evening	
19 March	UWA Year 12 Course Information Evening	
22 March	RoboCup Soccer Workshop Sacred Heart College	
18 April	UWA Individual Advisory Sessions	
29 Mar	RoboCup Dance workshop -All Saints' College	

1 May	RoboCup Metro Online Registration	
7 May	UWA Campus Tour	
9 May	UWA Course Information Evening Year 10 - 11	
9 May	UWA Course Information Evening Year 12	
1 June	RoboCup State Event Registration	
9 June	RoboCup Sacred Heart College	
23 Jun	RoboCup All Saints' College	
10 July	UWA Individual Advisory Sessions	
13 July	UWA Campus Tour	
29 July	Curtin Open Day	
3 – 4 August	RoboCup State Event Curtin Stadium	
11 – 19 August	National Science Week.	
12 August	UWA Open Day	
21 August	UWA TISC Information Evening	
26 September	UWA Campus Tour	
5-7 October	RoboCup National Event Melbourne	
10 December	UWA Campus Tours	



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