



Dates to Diarise in Term 2

- GAT – Tuesday 16 June
- Melbourne Careers Expo 2026 – 17 – 19 July



Eye Specialists

Students often ask what the differences are between **Optometrists, Orthoptists** and **Ophthalmologists**.

Below is a summary of the three as posted on the [Vision Australia](https://www.visionaustralia.org.au/) website.

➤ **Optometrists**

Optometrists are eye care professionals who examine the eyes and visual systems to detect vision changes and diagnose eye diseases.

On an average day, an optometrist will examine eyes to diagnose eye conditions and prescribe corrective lenses.

Often, the optometrist will be a person's first point of contact before they are referred to Ophthalmologists and Orthoptists.

In Victoria, students can study optometry at -

Deakin University - [Bachelor of Vision Science/Master of Optometry](#)

University of Melbourne - [Doctor of Optometry](#)

➤ **Orthoptists**

Orthoptists are eye care professionals who work with patients to manage a broad range of eye diseases.

Orthoptists are involved in the management of eye diseases like cataracts, glaucoma, lazy eye, and macular degeneration.

Often, Orthoptists will work in clinics alongside Ophthalmologists working on assessing and managing people's eye conditions.

In Victoria, students can study orthoptics at -

La Trobe University - [Bachelor of Orthoptics \(Honours\)](#)

➤ **Ophthalmologists**

Ophthalmologists are medical doctors who have further specialised in medical and surgical eye disease.

Most commonly, ophthalmologists are involved in the assessment, diagnosis and medical treatment of eye disease.

Many eye conditions can be treated with medication, surgery, or other medical interventions, and ophthalmologists manage this.

Ophthalmologists are also highly specialised, which means individuals with complex care needs may see multiple ophthalmologists to ensure all aspects of their condition are managed appropriately.



Studying Occupational Therapy at La Trobe

Help people maximise their quality of life and reach their full potential with La Trobe's [Bachelor of Occupational Therapy \(Honours\)](#).

Discover the science behind human activity and get the know-how to conduct evidence-based occupational therapy assessments and interventions for people of all ages and backgrounds.

This 4-year course ensures students learn with a combination of face-to-face tutorials and workshops, online learning and hands-on experience, including 1,000 hours of professional placements.

By studying La Trobe's Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours), students will:

- gain essential knowledge in occupational science, anatomy, physiology and psychology
- uncover the best treatment options for people with special needs and chronic conditions
- understand cultural identity and responsiveness in relation to health and wellbeing, including First Nations' perspectives
- apply their learning with individuals and families and collaborate with employers, policymakers and other health professionals
- build skills in both qualitative and quantitative research design, then pursue an applied research project or industry-based thesis in their embedded Honours year
- graduate eligible to apply for registration with the Occupational Therapy Board of Australia (OTBA).

The VCE entry requirements are Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL. The ATAR for 2026 entry was 85.60 (Bundoora Campus) and 75.90 (Bendigo Campus).

Students who do not meet the abovementioned prerequisite study scores or ATAR may wish to consider the [Bachelor of Health Sciences \(Allied health major\)](#) as a possible pathway option. Students with the highest Weighted Average Mark (WAM) will be eligible to apply to transfer into the Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours). Students should note that this pathway is very competitive with only 5 – 10 students successful each year.



Studying Health Sciences at Deakin

Study health sciences and help improve people's health and wellbeing. With so many careers in health sciences you'll be in demand – right now there's huge government investment in the sector, which means there's a real opportunity to make a difference. Now is your chance to become a healthcare expert and change lives for the better.

The Health Sector is Australia's fastest growing sector, and the Bachelor of Health Sciences at Deakin prepares students for a career in -

- disability services
- health education
- international aid
- sport marketing
- nutrition

The Bachelor of Health Sciences offers students 13 specialised [majors](#), and students may opt to specialise in two. On completion, students may choose to go on to further postgraduate study in a number of fields, including -

- [Master of Public Health](#)
- [Master of Health Promotion](#)
- [Master of Health Economics](#)
- [Master of Health Management](#)
- [Master of Human Nutrition](#).

Learn more by browsing [Health Sciences at Deakin](#).



University of Melbourne – A Day at Melbourne Event

An immersive campus experience for secondary students. Students will have the opportunity to experience university life firsthand through faculty-led sessions, hands-on activities, current student panels and more.

Year 11 and 12 Students	Thursday 9 July, 9.00am – 2.30pm. Details here
Year 9 and 10 Students	Friday 10 July, 9.00am - 2.30pm. Details here



Melbourne Career Expo 2026

The [Melbourne Career Expo](#) – taking place from Friday 17 July – Sunday 19 July, is *free* comprehensive and exciting careers event, encompassing all career opportunities from employment to education and training in the trades, corporate and professional sectors.

Browse the above link to find out more.

William
Angliss
Institute **Discovery Day**

Join us for Discovery Day and explore our state-of-the-art facilities, meet our expert academics and industry trainers, and learn more about our diverse range of courses – from Certificates to Postgraduate degrees – in the specialist areas of Foods, Tourism, Hospitality, and Events.

Students will -

- Access detailed course information
- Engage directly with Angliss staff and students and have your questions answered
- Experience the vibrant inner-city campus and facilities via a guided tour
- Explore career and education pathways from short course, certificates, diplomas, degrees and post graduate courses across Foods, Tourism, Hospitality, and Events
- Enjoy light refreshments

Date: Friday 19 June 2026

Time: 4.00pm – 6.00pm

Venue: Angliss Restaurant | Ground Floor, Building E | 550 Little Lonsdale Street, Melbourne

Register a spot at [Discovery Day](#).



Zoos Victoria Careers Expo 2026

Join Zoos Victoria experts for the 2026 Careers Expo at Melbourne Zoo. This event is recommended for students in Years 9-12 who are interested in exploring different careers in the world of wildlife, conservation, environment, animal welfare, and more.

Hear from expert panel speakers, including a diverse range of zoo specialists, who will share advice and insights into their career pathways.

Date: Thursday 9 July & Friday 10 July 2026

Time: 9.00am – 2.30pm

In addition to a free entry to Melbourne Zoo and career experts, students will also receive:

- A welcome pack and itinerary on arrival
- 10% discount at the Zoo cafes
- 10% discount at the Zoo Shops

Find out more and book a spot at [Zoos Victoria Careers Expo 2026](#).



Criminology and Paralegal Degrees in Victoria in 2026

Below are a number of **paralegal** courses on offer in Victoria. The prerequisite VCE subject is usually only an English. **Note:** The University of Melbourne offers a *major in criminology* in its [Bachelor of Arts](#) degree - ATAR 85.00.

Note: Criminology is often taught as a *major* in Bachelor of Arts degrees.

COURSE	UNI	MAJOR STUDIES IN 2026	ATAR 2026
Criminology & Criminal Justice	ACU	Criminology.	61.15 (M)
Psychological Science/Criminology and Criminal Justice		Criminology, Psychology	61.80 (M)
Criminology	DEAKIN	Criminology (crime, crime prevention, policing, security, criminal justice, surveillance, victimology, crime and media).	61.00 (G) 61.10 (M)
Criminology/Psychological Science		Criminology (crime, crime prevention, policing, security, criminal justice, surveillance, victimology, crime and media), Psychology.	61.80 (G) 60.00 (M)
Forensic Science		Forensic biology, Forensic chemistry, Forensic science.	60.85 (G)
Forensic Science/Criminology		Criminology (crime, crime prevention, policing, security, criminal justice, surveillance, victimology, violence), Forensic biology, Forensic chemistry, Forensic science.	64.50 (G)
Criminology and Criminal Justice	FEDERATION	Behavioural studies, Community and human services, Criminology and criminal justice, IT security, Sociology.	51.75 (Ba) 51.55 (Be) 54.80 (Gi)
Criminology	LA TROBE	Criminology.	55.00 (B) 55.40 (M)
Criminology/Psychological Science		Criminology, Psychological science.	55.45 (B) 55.80 (M)
Criminology	MONASH	Crime, Crime and justice, Criminal justice system, Criminology.	75.20 (CI)
Criminology and Policing		Crime, Crime and justice, Criminal justice system, Criminology, Policing.	N/P (CI)
Criminology and Criminal Justice	RMIT	Crime, Criminal justice, Criminal law, Criminology, Legal Studies, Mediation.	60.50 (C)
Criminology & Psychology		Crime, Criminal Justice, Criminology, Forensic investigation, Justice, Law, Legal studies, Police studies, Psychological studies, Psychology, Youth justice.	60.35 (C)
Legal Practice (Paralegal) Associate Degree		Business and Corporate Law, Civil Procedure & Dispute Resolution, Contract Law, Criminal Law, Evidence Law, Family Law, Intellectual Property Law and Trade Practices, Land Law & Conveyancing, Legal Research, Paralegal, Probate and Administration, Tort Law, Wills.	42.05 (C)
Criminal Justice and Criminology	SWINBURNE	Criminal justice and criminology.	57.05 (H)
Psychological Sciences/Criminal Justice and Criminology		Analysis of variance and regression, Brain and behaviour, Cognition and human performance, Corrections systems and practice, Crime and punishment in the international context, Crime society and culture, Criminal law and process, Developmental psychology, Deviance difference and conformity, Foundations of statistics, Fundamentals of criminology, Fundamentals of psychology, Global crime, History and philosophy of psychology, Introduction to forensic psychology, Introduction to law, Introduction to research methods, Law and social science, Mental health diversity diagnosis and treatment, Policing systems and practice, Psychology of personality, Sentencing, Social psychology, Technological advances in dealing with crime, Youth justice and crime.	61.45 (H)
Criminology	VICTORIA	Criminology.	N/P (C)
Criminal Justice		Criminal justice.	N/P (F)
Criminal Justice and Psychological Studies		Criminal justice.	N/P (F)
Criminology/Bachelor of Psychological Studies		Criminology, Psychology	N/P (C)
Legal Services		Advanced legal services, Law profession.	N/P (C)
Youth Work and Criminal Justice		Criminal justice, Youth work.	L/N (F)



Dental Technology & Oral Health Courses in Victoria in 2026

Dental technicians construct and repair dentures (false teeth) and other dental appliances, including crowns, bridges and orthodontic appliances (*Good Careers Guide*).

Oral health therapists diagnose dental decay and gum diseases, work together with dentists to provide routine oral health care for children and adults, and also help to promote oral health and preventive dental practices among school children and the broader community (*Good Careers Guide*).

INSTITUTION	COURSE NAME	VCE PREREQS	MAJOR STUDIES IN 2026
<p>Charles Sturt University (Holmesglen Institute Chadstone Campus)</p> <p>(Students will complete lectures and pre-clinical training in years one and two at Holmesglen's Chadstone campus, with some clinical training at Wagga Wagga, NSW. The majority of clinical training and placement will occur in year three when students are based in Wagga Wagga.)</p>	<p>Bachelor of Oral Health (Therapy and Hygiene)</p> <p>2026 ATAR: 90.65</p>	n/a, but satisfactory completion of Year 12 <u>and</u> ATAR is used as part of selection	Oral Hygiene, Oral Therapy.
<p>Holmesglen Institute (Chadstone Campus)</p>	<p>Diploma of Dental Technology</p> <p><u>Note</u>: graduates can do further study in the Advanced Diploma of Dental Prosthetics.</p>	n/a, but satisfactory completion of Year 12 useful. Language Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) Test, and Pre-Training Review.	Appliance Design Techniques, Computer Aided Design (CAD), Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM), Dental Material Science, Repair, manufacture and modify dentures, Structures of the Oral Cavity.
<p>La Trobe University (Bendigo Campus)</p>	<p>Bachelor of Oral Health Science</p> <p>2026 ATAR: 99.95</p>	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English as an Additional Language (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL.	Oral health science.
<p>RMIT University (All training is based in the Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne through a long standing partnership with Dental Health Services Victoria to ensure wide exposure to the industry.)</p>	<p>Diploma of Dental Technology</p> <p><u>Note</u>: graduates can do further study in the Advanced Diploma of Dental Prosthetics</p>	Satisfactory completion of Year 12 <u>and</u> ATAR may be used as part of selection.	Complete and Partial Dentures, Crown and Bridge, Mouthguards, Orthodontics.
<p>University of Melbourne (Parkville Campus)</p> <p>Useful YouTube clip</p>	<p>Bachelor of Oral Health</p> <p>2026 ATAR: 94.10</p>	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Biology or Chemistry.	Oral health sciences, Preventive and clinical dentistry, Social sciences and health promotion, Vocational clinical practice.



- [Federation University Australia](#) was formed when the former University of Ballarat and the Gippsland Campus of Monash University were amalgamated.
- FedUni's history actually dates back to 1870.
- FedUni is regional Victoria's largest education institution, with [campuses](#) in Ballarat, Berwick, Gippsland, the Wimmera, providing easy access to study, and over 1200 staff committed to teaching excellence and student support.
- FedUni offers over 240 [courses](#) from apprenticeships to bachelor's degrees.
- FedUni offers a range of [scholarships, bursaries, and grants](#).
- FedUni students can access a wide range of [services and support](#) to assist them.
- Students who choose to live in residence gain the best start to their university experience - [accommodation](#).
- FedUni students also have the opportunity to study overseas at a range of institutions. Students can participate in a variety of programs that will provide them with a global experience. Students can choose between short-term programs and semester-long programs - [Study Abroad and Exchange](#).
- FedUni offers [Virtual Internships](#) – students can explore careers and prepare for the job with hundreds of free job simulations designed by the world's top employers.

