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Parent survey

Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service (AATIS) are seeking input from parents and guardians about their perception of vocational education and training (VET) as a post school career pathway. For information on the initiative and to fill out the online survey, visit <https://bit.ly/2u4Jist>

Student – career quiz

Not sure where to begin discovering your skills? Check out the free Career Quiz developed by Skillsroad. It will help you determine some of your natural skills and match them to careers and industries you're likely to enjoy working in! Get started now by visiting <https://bit.ly/37vQhrR>

Students who complete the quiz by 21 February can go into the draw to win a \$200 Dominos voucher. To enter visit <https://bit.ly/38z0oOf>

Fashion Design at RMIT

Congratulations to recent RMIT alumnus Kim Clark for winning the Australian Fashion Foundation Scholarship late last year. The Scholarship Award was established to nurture young Australian designers and provide opportunities to showcase their designs and hone their skills on a global stage.

Kim received \$20,000USD and a 6-month internship with an international fashion house in the United States. More information on the award can be found at <https://bit.ly/2wIWoSN>

Fun STEM quizzes

To take any of the quizzes below, visit Careers With STEM at <https://bit.ly/2v12Nrm>

Which area of science should I study?

Stuck between Chemistry, Physics or Biology? We'll help you break it down and match you to your perfect degree. Best of all? There's so many different careers to choose from, no matter what you get!

What's your STEM + X?

Studying STEM doesn't mean you're destined for a career as a scientist or mathematician! STEM students find jobs across all industries, thanks to a little equation we call STEM + X.

Find your STEM + X (where X = your passion, skills or area of interest) and discover the possibilities of a STEM career in just about any job.

What's your STEM + X?

Which area of engineering should you study?

If you're interested in engineering, you're not limited in your career or study choices! Take this quiz and we'll tell you where to start searching for your perfect engineering degree.

Are you a future entrepreneur?

Tell us a bit about the way you think, and we'll tell you whether you're a future entrepreneur!

STEM Careers

Not interested in going to university? No worries! Uni isn't for everyone. Fortunately, there are heaps of opportunities to study STEM that don't involve enrolling in a bachelor's degree. We're talking about vocational education and training – otherwise known as VET. Here, we hash out five alternative pathways, <https://bit.ly/2HsoRZu>



Criminology

Mind Map: Have you considered studying criminology in the future? The Careers Department has developed a fantastic mind map of criminology careers and courses. To explore the map, visit <https://bit.ly/2V4hS0G>

Courses: In Victoria, you can study undergraduate criminology at the following universities

RMIT University	https://bit.ly/2SOqDtm
The University of Melbourne	https://bit.ly/3bDD7MZ
Deakin University	https://bit.ly/2wiFX9L
Swinburne University	https://bit.ly/39zJrtg
Monash University	https://bit.ly/2u3j5dG
Victoria University	https://bit.ly/2P3iwYO
Federation University	https://bit.ly/2ST3RAf

Applying Medicine, Dentistry or Oral Health?

If you are in Year 12 and plan to apply for any of these health science courses to start in 2021, you may need to sit the UCAT ANZ (University Clinical Aptitude Test).

The UCAT ANZ is a two-hour, computer-based test which assesses a range of mental abilities identified by universities as important to practicing in the fields of medicine and dentistry.

It consists of five separately timed subtests which each contain a number of questions in a multiple-choice format.

You will sit the test in July 2020 and selected universities use your UCAT ANZ results as part of the selection process, in conjunction with your ATAR and HSC/VCE results, and in some cases an interview.

You will only have one chance to sit the UCAT ANZ this year.

Key dates

3 Feb	Concession Scheme and Access Arrangements open
2 Mar	Bookings open
4 Mar	Deadline for Concession Scheme and Access Arrangements
11 May	Booking deadline
18 May	Booking cancellation and late booking deadline
1 – 31 Jul	Testing
Sep	Results delivered to universities

It will cost you around \$299 to sit the test, or \$199 concession, and you will be able to receive your results straight away.

You have the choice to start preparing for the test early. There are several private companies who offer commercial preparation programs – www.nie.edu.au/ and www.medentry.edu.au/ are examples.

It is important to note that the universities who use the UCAT **do not endorse any of these companies** and you can access free preparation materials from the UCAT site at <https://bit.ly/2tjlewA>

Please go to <https://www.ucat.edu.au/> for more information about the UCAT ANZ, to see if you have to sit the test, and to register for the test.



Upcoming Career Events

The Melbourne US & UK University Expo

Get crucial advice from recent student admits and speak with world leading admission experts at the US & UK University Expo! Put the world's top universities like Harvard, Yale, Oxford and Stanford within your reach! You will learn about:

- Fundamentals of applying and studying in the US and UK
- How to write a personal statement
- Preparing for the SAT
- Analysing the Oxbridge interview
- Studying key study areas overseas such as commerce, STEM, social sciences etc.

When: Sunday 15 March, 1pm – 5.15pm.

Where: State Library Victoria, Melbourne

Info and RSVP: <https://bit.ly/2UVXRJJ>

Crimson Education has developed a YouTube channel that profiles global universities. You can access the channel at <https://bit.ly/2qcWRiX>



ACN Nursing and Health Expo

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is hosting a Nursing and Health Expo in April. You will be able to:

- Meet a range of nursing and health organisations
- Explore career pathways
- Find out about educational opportunities
- Speak to nurses working a range of organisations such as hospitals, defence and emergency services.

When: Saturday 4 April, 8.30am – 2.30pm.

Where: The Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

Info and RSVP: <https://bit.ly/2HtwEpR>

VCE and Careers Expo

This annual event enables senior school students and their families to participate in a diverse range of seminars related to VCE subjects, gap year opportunities, vocational and higher education courses, career pathways and study skills. HSC students are also encouraged to attend.

A huge number of exhibitors will be in attendance, and over 150 seminars will be offered. Cost is \$10 per student.

When: 30 April – 3 May.

Where: Caulfield Racecourse

Info and RSVP: <https://bit.ly/2SUaX7G>

Dates for your diary

FEBRUARY

21 - 23	Careers Expo Australian Defence Force Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre https://bit.ly/2SzAe7d
24, 26	Victoria Police Information Session Various locations https://bit.ly/2HsUXEt
28	Experience Clever La Trobe University Albury-Wodonga campus https://bit.ly/31JsL9H

MARCH

5, 10, 18, 23	Victoria Police Information Session Various locations https://bit.ly/2HsUXEt
9 - 24	Doctor of Medicine Information Sessions Charles Sturt University https://bit.ly/2SzAe7d
10 - 31	Explore Days Charles Sturt University Various campuses https://bit.ly/39oQlFF
21	UCAT preparation session National Institute of Education Melbourne https://bit.ly/36Q7coQ
25	Hotel Careers Expo Tourism Accommodation Australia The Hotel Windsor, Melbourne http://taavic.com.au/
27	UNSW Arts & Law United Nations Workshop UNSW, Kensington campus https://bit.ly/2w064lJ
28 - 29	UCAT preparation session MedEntry https://bit.ly/2RSrv0B

APRIL

4	ACN Nursing & Health Expo Australian College of Nursing Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre https://bit.ly/2HtwEpR
17 - 18	Victorian Careers Show Melbourne Showgrounds https://bit.ly/2uU7RbZ
30 Apr - 3 May	VCE and Careers Expo Caulfield Racecourse https://bit.ly/37BdU2m

Future of Work Predictor

Have an occupation goal? Want to know how this job may change over the next 10 years? University of New England (UNE) has developed a 'future of work predictor'.

Using the online software, simply search for the occupation you are interested in, choose the education level you are planning to attain (e.g., Bachelor degree), your post code or the post code of where you would like to work in the future and your email address.

UNE will provide you with information on how this job may change in terms of tasks, duties, qualifications, wages and employment growth.

Visit <https://bit.ly/2SxZpbc> and start searching!

Research report

Students and families may find the following research report interesting – 'Dream Jobs? Teenagers' Career Aspirations and the Future of Work. This research has been conducted by OECD PISA and finds that teenagers have a narrow range of career interests and may not be aware of jobs of the future, <https://bit.ly/3bHFOWu>

University – Early Entry Programs

Application dates aren't available yet for several early entry programs. You can register your interest now though to receive emails with updates:

La Trobe University

Aspire Early Admissions Program
<https://bit.ly/32025Sh>

Charles Sturt University

Advantage Program
<https://bit.ly/2P046bP>

Australian Catholic University

Community Achievers Program (check page in March)
<https://bit.ly/2u4WsWp>

University of Wollongong

Early Admission
<https://bit.ly/37xJZrO>

University of New England

Early Entry
Applications for direct entry to University of New England and Early Entry is now open!
<https://bit.ly/3blrdbf>



Australian Catholic University

Internship opportunity with the Bachelor of Arts

ACU's National School of Arts offers students a range of internship and community engagement placements to help you gain invaluable professional experience while you study. You have the opportunity to be involved in programs such as the Victorian Parliamentary Internship, which may help you progress to a graduate position as a journalist, researcher and more, <https://bit.ly/2UTAtg9>

Education and teaching

ACU has a new suite of education courses offering specialisations that are flexible to meet your needs and interests. Depending on your choice of specialisation, these courses provide you with the option to pick a pathway into a range of school settings and specialist teacher roles, <https://bit.ly/37xxw03>



Apprenticeship/Traineeship websites

MyGain YouTube Channel

Check out this channel to watch videos about apprenticeships, traineeships and employers, <http://bit.ly/1NC2fUS>

AusAppPathway

This is an App you can download so you can research apprenticeships and traineeships on the go via your smart phone, www.ausapp.com.au/

Making the most of your time at school

If you have just started back at school and you aren't feeling motivated or engaged, the staff at Australian Apprenticeships Pathways have written an article with great advice about how you can become more connected with your learning and your career development.

The article covers school subjects, VET subjects, school based apprenticeships, work experience and paid work. You can read the article here - <http://bit.ly/2FdEHFz>

They have also written an article just for parents and families called 'opening the door to new opportunities for your child'. You can access it at this link - <http://bit.ly/2BCiZeu>

Apply for university now!

University of New England

Applications are now open for the direct early entry program. It's free to apply and applications will close Friday 25 September. You will need a recommendation from your school to be eligible. Offers will be made in November before your final ATAR and results are released. For information to start your application, visit <https://bit.ly/39H4iVo>

Australia National University - applications open soon for courses, accommodation and scholarships

From March, Year 12 students who are planning to study at ANU in 2021 (or defer their studies until 2022) will be able to apply for courses, accommodation and scholarship in the one online application direct to the university. For information on dates and the new admissions process, go to <https://bit.ly/2WVbyHn>

Careers in the automotive industry

Know you want to work in the auto industry, but not sure which occupation would suit you best? Kangan Institute has written a fantastic article showcasing 7 different occupations in the automotive industry. You can read the article here, <https://bit.ly/1LQINSs> and you can explore the courses they offer at their Automotive Centre of Excellence at this link - www.aceauto.com.au/

Short courses at RMIT

RMIT offers short and single courses taught by experienced lecturers and established artists. Courses include photography, drawing, lithography, sculpture, jewellery, casting, and molding etc. RMIT also offer folio preparation courses. For more information, go to <http://bit.ly/2nTkDAJ>

Work Experience

Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE):

You can apply for work experience at one of the following AIE campuses – Melbourne, Canberra, Adelaide or Sydney. You will be able to explore courses and careers in 3D animation, programming, interactive entertainment and digital industries. For information, go to <https://bit.ly/2SCcJfN>

Medicine at Monash

Immerse yourself in medicine at Monash through virtual reality (VR): Have you always wanted to visit the Monash campus, but haven't had a chance? Take the opportunity to learn more about Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash through 360° video. Look over students' shoulders as they work in the labs or attend a lecture. For more information, please visit <http://bit.ly/2IGl8ub>