



**Wednesday 24 June 2020**

## Changes to the cost of university courses - 2021

From 2021, the cost of some university courses will change.

Currently, the Government provides funding to universities for courses at different levels according to the study areas.

Essentially, the Government funds part of your degree, and you pay the rest - this is called the 'student contribution amount'.

There are currently 3 levels of student contribution bands. You can see these at <https://bit.ly/30WWc9K>

The great thing about the student contribution bands is that it will cost the same for your units of study no matter where you go to university in Australia.

From 2021, student contribution bands for certain study areas will either increase, decrease or stay the same.

### What does this mean for me?

How this will impact you will depend on what you study in 2021. For example:

Courses in nursing, teaching, languages, agriculture and maths will significantly decrease

Courses in science, health, architecture, environmental science, IT and engineering etc., will decrease.

Courses in medicine, dental and veterinary science etc., won't change.

Courses in law and commerce will increase.

Courses in humanities and social sciences will significantly increase by around 113%

Bookmark the Study Assist website and check regularly for updates to university fees and HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP information, [www.studyassist.gov.au/](http://www.studyassist.gov.au/)



## Passionate about the environment?

The University of Newcastle will launch the Bachelor of Climate Science and Adaptation in 2021.

Warming global temperatures are impacting our lives like never before. This new course will turn your passion into practice and provide you with tools to tackle climate challenges.

You will learn to identify and assess the impacts of climate change, develop goals and actions to minimise the risk of these impacts, and establish a process to implement a climate change adaptation plan, [www.newcastle.edu.au](http://www.newcastle.edu.au)

## University of Tasmania

### Schools Recommendation Program

Students who would like to apply for courses at the University of Tasmania have the option of applying for their Schools Recommendation Program.

Applications close on Friday 10 July, <https://bit.ly/2yrYQbO>

Prospective students can watch a webinar about the program at <https://bit.ly/3euoCMn>

## Cyber Security at Victoria University (VU)

In 2019, cybercrime cost the Australian economy \$1 billion (Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission).

This year, rates of cybercrime are even higher, as cybercriminals exploit the IT changes created by the COVID-19 pandemic, in particular the security vulnerabilities created by people working from home. Businesses are looking to dramatically increase their spending on cyber security, during the pandemic and beyond.

VU is training professionals to meet this demand through the following two courses:

- Bachelor of Information Technology - high-achieving students are eligible to receive a 12-month paid IT internship, <https://bit.ly/2B2NBI3>
- Certificate IV in Cyber Security, VU Polytechnic, <https://bit.ly/2V6hSg0>

## Focus on Agriculture



**Agriculture isn't just farming-** It is focussed on "the entire food chain, managing the environment and minimising the impact of human endeavours on natural resources".

About 50% of all jobs in the agriculture industry are in capital cities.

These jobs include environmental management, research, development, agribusiness and education.

Most people in agriculture work full time.

The demand for agricultural science graduates grew strongly over the past 5 years and around 5000 job openings will be available by 2024, <https://bit.ly/2HZWFel>

There is also an ongoing demand for agricultural science graduates with economics and management training.

### Experts are needed in the areas of:

- Sustainable farming practices
- Land management
- Land conservation
- Climate change practices
- Food security
- Agricultural research and policymaking.

### Students can specialise in areas such as:

- Economics
- Marketing
- Animal and plant biotechnology
- Catchment management
- Climate change impacts
- Crop management and production
- Plant and soil science
- Nutrition and feed production
- Sustainable production and consumption
- Water management

Technology is advancing rapidly in agriculture and students are advised to study maths, sciences and business at school.

Students who don't want to work 'on the land' have many opportunities to work in cities and in offices.

## Courses

The following are examples of agriculture schools

### VICTORIA

- La Trobe University: <http://bit.ly/1FGtcPO>
- University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1BWdaib>
- Longerenong College, <http://bit.ly/2sGcMcT>
- Marcus Oldham, <http://bit.ly/1wEGiuc>

### NEW SOUTH WALES

- Charles Sturt University, <http://bit.ly/1MkDAj6>
- University of New England, <http://bit.ly/1KSOtZc>

### TASMANIA

- University of Tasmania, <https://bit.ly/2Nnk0vE>

### Key websites

Career Harvest, <http://bit.ly/1f0m8jW>

Rural Skills Australia - Rural Careers Guide, <http://bit.ly/1i2mTt7>

### Scholarships

Career Harvest <https://bit.ly/31yXmX0>

Gardiner Dairy Foundation, <https://bit.ly/2Bz2yS2>

Good Universities Guide, <https://bit.ly/2upv1oW>



## The University of Melbourne - updates

### Sign up to receive updates

Sign up to the mailing list for prospective students at <https://bit.ly/3fN9f1R>

### 2021 undergraduate course guides

You can download the 2021 undergraduate course guides at <https://bit.ly/3fN92M6>

### Scholarship

For rural and regional students, <https://bit.ly/2YZkgGH>

## The University of Melbourne - updates

### Prospective students – website

Bookmark the 'Study' website to stay up to date with courses, scholarships, application information, accommodation etc., <https://bit.ly/3i0h5r1>

### Meet Melbourne Online Webinars

Access recordings from the Meet Melbourne seminars and learn about courses at the University, <http://bit.ly/2TJWmxa>

### Bite Sized Lectures

Watch lectures from University of Melbourne lecturers at <https://bit.ly/3g1DZwn>



## Health Information Management

Interested in health, IT and business? You may enjoy a career in health information management. According to La Trobe University, "there is a national workforce shortage in this industry, which means graduates are in high demand. Salaries range from \$50 000 - \$180 000 at senior level".

You can study health information management at both the undergraduate and the graduate level at La Trobe University, Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1Uvhddl>

## Upcoming virtual events

### Ernst and Young (EY) - Ready to Launch

Join EY for an interactive webinar where you can learn about the work of a global professional services organisation and why it's so important to understand the diverse and global world that we live in. We'll share our views on why your mindset, not just your skills set, is important, and what you can be doing to prepare for your future.

You'll hear from a range of EY professionals, including some current and recent graduates who will answer your questions on the transition to university, the workforce and, specifically starting their career journey at EY.

Thursday 9 July, <https://bit.ly/3erXLk9>

## Upcoming virtual events

### Discover Deakin Seminars

Deakin University is running the following online information sessions for prospective students:

#### June

25	Environment
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#### July

4	Teaching
15	Medical Imaging
20	Occupational Therapy
21	Public Health & Health Promotion
22	Optometry
23	Nursing and Midwifery
27	Exercise and Sport Science
28	Nutrition Sciences
29	Psychology
30	Health Sciences

Information and RSVP - <https://bit.ly/2YIZXi5>

### Monash University – Online Information Seminars

Monash is hosting online information evenings for prospective students and their families on the following dates in August: 11, 12, 25.

Register via <https://bit.ly/39GmmOQ>

### Monash Indigenous Winter Camp

The Indigenous Winter Camp aims to provide Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students from year 10-12 with an in-depth insight into university life, while focusing on team-building, meeting new people, culture, confidence building and health and well-being.

Monash is running a virtual three-part Winter Camp series in July. For information and to register, visit <https://bit.ly/3gHAlsx>

### RMIT University - Night Expo

This exclusive online event allows students to explore study areas, receive tailored advice from staff and immerse themselves in campus life.

Parents and students are able to participate in the events on the following dates:

- 24 June, 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm
- 29 June, 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

To register, go to <https://bit.ly/2V4LA59>

### Australian Catholic University – Talk with Industry series

Australian Catholic University is running the following online session for prospective students: talk with exercise scientists and physiotherapists

Date: 2 July, 2020

Information and RSVP - <https://bit.ly/2XwbkYr>



### Collarts – Webinar Series

Collarts is running the following online webinars for prospective students:

#### June

29	Interior Design
30	Fashion & Sustainability
30	Fashion Marketing

#### July

1	Animation & VFX
1	Digital & Social Media
7	Dramatic Arts (Comedy)
7	Screen & Media
8	Music Performance
8	Music Production
9	Audio Engineering
10	Entertainment Management
10	Entertainment Journalism

Information and RSVP - <https://bit.ly/2KBApv2>

### Basair – how to become a pilot

Basair Aviation College is located at Bankstown, NSW. The College is running an online information session on how to become a pilot.

Date: 25 June, 5.30pm AEST

Information and RSVP: <https://bit.ly/370jMUp>

### UCAT ANZ preparation programs

National Institute of Education (NIE) is running intensive UCAT ANZ preparation seminars and information session for students who have registered to sit the test in July.

Dates: 26 & 27 June, 2020

Information & RSVP, <https://bit.ly/2Ne6JfL>

### Federation University – Your Fed Future

Federation University is running the following online webinars for prospective students:

#### June

24	Study international sport management
29	Study IT

#### July

1	Engineering @ Gippsland campus
9	Study exercise & sport science
15	Study early childhood education

Information and RSVP - <https://bit.ly/2WfWfLo>

### RMIT University – Discover What's Next series

RMIT University is running the following online sessions for prospective students:

#### June

25	Engineering
30	Flight Training & Aviation

#### July

2	Science
9	Computer Science & Information Technology
16	Fashion
23	Health & Biomedical Sciences
28	Education & Social Sciences
30	Building & Construction

Information and RSVP - <https://bit.ly/2M0UGeg>

### Torrens University – Interactive Online Workshops

Torrens will be running the following online workshop in June:

25	Design & Creative Technology
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Information and RSVP - <https://bit.ly/37xRNeH>

Search for courses at <https://bit.ly/2ZfwnvV>

### Tertiary Information Service (TIS)

TIS is running the following online information sessions for students:

- 24 June: Year 10 Subject Selection
- 29 July: VTAC applications
- 26 August: SEAS and Scholarship applications
- 1 October: transition to university/moving away from home

Information and RSVP, <https://bit.ly/2NoSH3W>