

Weekly Career News

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Yr 10 Career Program

In the career lesson last week all Yr 10's got the opportunity to construct a resume for themselves. We explained to the students that this is the first opportunity that you will have to sell yourself to a prospective employer therefore we spoke of the importance of presentation, spelling, and providing up to date and accurate information. Students were also told that while there are some fundamentals that are true of all resumes, each should be tailored to the job that you are applying for. Students need to complete their resume at home and then either submit a hard copy or email it to their study teacher by Friday 18th June. For next year

Our next session with the Yr 10's will be after their exams when we start talking about subjects for next year.

Should I live at home, rent or live on campus next year?

On Tuesday 18th May Yr 12's the Yr 12's had a presentation about living options for them for next year. They were spoken to by Sara Reid from Consumer Affairs who spoke about the pros and cons of renting privately. Some of her hints to the students included dress and present to the Real Estate Agent as if you were going for a job interview; if you get to do a house inspection take the fussiest person you know and a camera to check for any marks and damage that may exist before you move in and be prepared to rent out of Melbourne in the suburbs as it will be a little less expensive.

The students also were spoken to by Kasia Quail (Deakin University) and Barbara Shea (Monash University) about residential living. Some of the points they made were that students should apply for residence at the same time they apply for VTAC courses (in Term 3) which may mean that they are applying to more than one College, that studies completed by the Universities show that over the year it is cheaper to live on residence than rent privately and that these students do better academically than those who have to worry about paying the rent. Their final point was that students should visit the Colleges when they visit the Universities for Open Days.

Congratulations

At Friday's assembly we presented Justin Burns and Pat Tighe with their Defence Technical Scholarships worth \$3000. These boys are combining their VCE studies with a School Based Apprenticeship. The Defence Department wish to acknowledge senior students who are completing a trade certificate and senior maths and may want to consider a career in the Defence Force (but it isn't compulsory). We will advertise to Yr 10 and 11 students again at the end of the year should this scholarship come available again.

VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Dentistry at LaTrobe University

The faculty of Health Science at LaTrobe University has advised that prerequisites for Dentistry in the 2011 Undergraduate Course Guide are incorrect. The requirements are at least 35 in Biology **AND** Chemistry (not Biology or Chemistry).

Registrations are now open for SwinGame 2010! You have the chance to create the ultimate arcade game and take home part of a \$4500 prize pool! This is a great opportunity for you to win prizes, gain real-world experience in software and games development and work on a fun, creative project with friends. Registrations are now open. To find out more, visit www.swinburne.edu.au/swingame

Interested in Journalism? Then you should check out upstart, which the La Trobe Universities online journal for journalism students. Students have recently added short documentaries that they have produced to the journal and you can watch these at www.upstart.net.au/film-fest



Love the ocean and marine biology? If you are in years 9 – 12, you have the opportunity to participate in the University of Technology Sydney (UTS) 'Spend a Day with a Marine Biologist' competition. The competition will involve students using any digital means available to address the question 'If I was a marine biologist I would...'. This can be in the form of a video, slide show or series of blog entries. You could win a video camera and be able to spend a day with a UTS marine biologist. Entries close 30 July and information is available on Facebook by searching "UTS Marine Biologist for Day".

Accounting Cadetships

Closing dates for applications are available for cadetships offered by accounting firms for 2011. **PricewaterhouseCoopers** close 15 June, **PKF Chartered Accountants & Business Advisors** close 21 June, **Moore Stephens** (probably) 21 June, **Deloitte** close 16 June, **KPMG** close 17 June and **Ernst & Young** close 16 June. Dates for some other firms are still to be finalised. See firms' websites for details and application procedures. For further information contact Tess Bryan, Institute of Chartered Accountants, phone 9641 7424 or email tess.bryan@charteredaccountants.com.au or her website is www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students

Interested in a career in Teaching?

La Trobe University's Faculty of Education has announced four new teaching courses for 2011. These are:

Bachelor of Teaching – Primary (Melbourne Campus),

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Bachelor of Outreach and Community Education (Melbourne Campus); this trains students as generalist primary and secondary teachers in the methods of student welfare, and either Mathematics or English.

Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (Bendigo Campus)

For further information view www.latrobe.edu.au (go to find a course)

UPCOMING STATE EVENTS

Be a creative industries student for a day! Charles Sturt University are hosting a Creative Industries Day for students at their Wagga Wagga Campus on Tuesday 29 June between 9.25am – 2pm. You can register for hands on workshops to explore the following courses- fine arts, acting for screen and stage, animation and visual arts, design for theatre, graphic design, jewellery, photography and television production. You must register with your careers adviser before 18 June. For more information, email infoevents@csu.edu.au

Are you in year 10 and would like help with subject choices? You should attend the Deakin University year 10 Information Evening on Thursday 10 June at the Melbourne Campus, Burwood and the Geelong Waterfront Campus. The event will provide you and your family with information about university courses and career opportunities and will give you information that will assist you to make the right subject choices for 2011. For more information, go to www.deakin.edu.au

Doing Unit 4 Biology? La Trobe Uni are running a series of hands-on laboratory classes at their Albury-Wodonga campus between 14 June – 23 July. Students can attend either a full day or two half-day sessions. Travel subsidies to assist with the cost of transport may be available. For more information or to reserve a place, please contact Rachel Bahrij on 02 6024 9885 or r.bahrij@latrobe.edu.au



Thinking about applying for ACU in the future? The Australian Catholic University is open to students from any background or denomination. They have courses in areas such as Health, Education, Business, Sport and Science. They will be running two University Experience days where you will be able to find out about their courses, have a campus tour, meet current students and staff and find out about scholarships and student services. The dates are Monday 28 and Wednesday 30 June. For more information, go to www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience

Interested in Art and Media? The Australian Catholic Uni are offering year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to spend a day experiencing media and art in a tertiary setting through their program 'Art Industries Day'. Students will be able to participate in a variety of hands-on workshops and see what it is like to study at University. The day will be held Wednesday 7 July at the Melbourne Campus. For more information, go to www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience

Passionate about performing arts? The Victorian College of Arts and Music are running short courses over the school holidays for young people, covering areas such as filmmaking, acting and music performance. The workshops will be held at the VCA and Music campus in Southbank, which is close the CBD of Melbourne. For more information and to register, go to www.vcam.unimelb.edu.au/short_courses

Interested in Engineering

RMIT is running "Experience Engineering" in the holidays. Attend and you receive bags of gifts from the sponsors and you could be in the running to win an Ipad. Learn about iRobots, digital film, high voltage, radio bugs, micro-technology and satellite dishes on your roof. The program is at the City Campus of RMIT on Wednesday 30th June or Thursday 1st July between 9:30 – 4:00. It is free of charge and they are including lunch. To register go to www.rmit.edu.au/seh/experience

APPRENTICESHIP NEWS

Did you know:

- that part-time apprenticeships are now allowed for apprentices who have left school?
- That under **Tools for Your Trade**, a total apprenticeship allowance for many trades, paid throughout your apprenticeship, is \$3800?
- That progression points (competency based) allow an apprentice to complete their time in less than four years (except electrical and plumbing where four years is legislated)?

For further information about apprenticeships go to www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au



JUNE EVENTS

- **1 Mid-Year Information Evening**, Swinburne Uni, Hawthorn Campus, www.swinburne.edu.au
- **Experience Monash**, Information Technology (1), Law (2), Health Sciences & Social Work (3), Nursing, Midwifery & Paramedics (9), Medicine, Biomedical Sciences, Nutrition, Dietetics, Radiography (16), Psychology & Behavioural Neuroscience (22), Design, Fine Art & Multimedia (23), www.monash.edu/au/study/events/atmonash
- **'Focus on Melbourne', Uni of Melbourne-** Law (8), Environments (10), Arts (16) and Science (22), www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events
- **2 and 3: VET For a Day Program**, Healesville Sanctuary, www.zoo.org.au/Learning/Programs/Student_Conferences/Careers
- **4: Creative Careers Program**, CATC Design School, Sydney@catc.edu.au
- **10: Apprenticeships and Traineeships Taster Day**, Swinburne Uni, Croydon Campus, www.swinburne.edu.au
- **10: Year 10 Information Evening**, Deakin Uni, www.deakin.edu.au
- **14 June – 23 July: VCE Biology Unit 4 Lab**, La Trobe Uni, Albury-Wodonga Campus, r.bahrij@latrobe.edu.au
- **16 – 25, Experience PE VCE Enhancement Program**, RMIT, www.rmit.edu.au/she/events
- **16 & 17: Uni Student for a Day**, Monash University, Berwick Campus, www.monash.edu.au/events
- **17: Yarning Up**, Interactive Seminar for Indigenous Students, Monash Uni, Clayton Campus, www.monash.edu.au/events
- **18: Experience LaTrobe**, Albury-Wodonga Campus, www.latrobe.edu.au/study
- **22: Parent Information Seminar**, Monash Uni, Peninsula Campus, www.monash.edu.au/events
- **22 – 23: CSU MyDay Creative Visual and Performing Arts**, Wagga Wagga Campus, Charles Sturt Uni, infoevents@csu.edu.au or 02 6338 6010
- **23: Tertiary Information Seminar**, Albury-Wodonga, rgalecollins@csu.edu.au
- **28 – 1 July: Visual Arts Folio Workshops**, La Trobe Uni, Bendigo Campus, www.latrobe.edu.au/study
- **28: University Experience, Education & Early Childhood**, Australian Catholic Uni, Ballarat Campus, www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience
- **28: Janet Clark Hall Information Session**, University of Melbourne, viceprincipal@jch.unimelb.edu.au
- **28 & 29: Folio Preparation Workshop**, La Trobe Uni, Bendigo Campus, j.uren@latrobe.edu.au
- **28 & 30: University Experience Day**, Australian Catholic Uni, Melbourne & Ballarat Campus, www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience
- **29: Experience Health and Medical Sciences Day**, RMIT, www.rmit.edu.au/she/experience
- **29: Discover Deakin-** Deakin University, www.deakin.edu.au
- **29 & 30: Test Drive Journalism & Test Drive Publicity, Promotion & PR (Berwick Campus)**, Monash Uni, www.monash.edu.au/events
- **30 and 1 July: Experience Electrical & Computer Engineering**, RMIT, www.rmit.edu.au/she/experience
- **30: University Experience, Nursing & Paramedicine**, Australian Catholic Uni, Ballarat Campus, www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience

JULY EVENTS

- **Experience Monash**, Caulfield Campus (1) and Clayton Campus (6), www.monash.edu.au/study/events
- **5 – 9: Medical Laboratory Visits for VCE students**, RMIT, www.rmit.edu.au/she/events
- **6: Experience Environmental Science & Engineering**, RMIT, www.rmit.edu.au/she/experience



- **6 and 21: Digi Pix – School Holiday workshops**, Wodonga Tafe, bcsi@wodongatafe.edu.au 02 6055 6000
- **7: Art Industries Day**, Australian Catholic Uni, Melbourne Campus, www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience
- **8: Experience La Trobe**, Bendigo Campus, www.latrobe.edu.au/study
- **8: Experience Aerospace, Mechanical & Mechatronics Engineering**, RMIT, www.rmit.edu.au/she/experience
- **8: 'Be a Student for a Day'**, Australian Catholic Uni, Melbourne Campus, www.acu.edu.au/universityexperience
- **8: Discover Deakin-** Deakin University, www.deakin.edu.au
- **9 – 15: Gaming Boot Camp**, Monash University, www.monash.edu.au/events
- **21: Yr 10 VCE Information Evening**, La Trobe Uni, Bundoora Campus, www.latrobe.edu.au/study
- **22: Scholarship Information Evening**, UNSW, www.unsw.edu.au
- **28: Parent Information Session**, La Trobe Uni, Bundoora Campus, www.latrobe.edu.au/study
- **30 – 1 August: Herald Sun Careers Expo**

SCHOLARSHIPS

Bond University Scholarship Information Seminar: You have the opportunity to learn about the numerous scholarships that Bond University has to offer. The seminar will be held Wednesday June 16 between 7 – 8.30pm at the Novotel on Collins. To register, contact Kristy Manyweathers, on 07 5595 1067 or email scholarships@bond.edu.au

WORK EXPERIENCE

Reminder that if you are considering doing work experience during the June school holidays you need to have your paper work into Mrs Pendlebury or Mr White by Friday 12th June. It is also compulsory for you to sit an OH&S test before you attend work experience.

REMINDERS

On line application for UMAT testing (needed for some of the Medical type courses) close Friday 4th June.

If parents or students have any questions about career information you can email us on careers@assumption.vic.edu.au

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