



CAREER NEWS

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Dates to Diarise in Term 3

- University / TAFE Open Days 2017 – throughout August
- Year 12 VTAC applications – throughout August and September

Year 12 VTAC APPLICATIONS



VTACmag 2018

Year 12 students should note that all information regarding applying for tertiary study in Victoria in 2018 is available on the **VTAC** website at www.vtac.edu.au, on a *free* App found in the Apple store or Google Play, and some information also published in the **VTACmag**, which will be available from newsagents with a recommended retail price of \$7.95, or online now at www.pocketmags.com.au or the App Store. The **VTACmag** contains practical information about the VTAC process.

There are a few reference copies of the **VTACmag** in the Careers Room.



ABC of Applying for 2018

Year 12 students are encouraged to refer to their copy of the **ABC of Applying** booklet when it comes to making their VTAC application for study in 2018. The booklet provides information on *key dates, how the application process works, useful tips on scholarships, VTAC personal statements, and much more!* **Download the booklet at [ABC of Applying for 2018](#).**

This booklet will be distributed to all Year 12 students and there are a few reference copies in the Careers Room.



Key Dates for Tertiary Applications for 2018 Entry

Year 12 students are reminded that applications to university usually commence in Term 3. Some important key dates are listed below:

State	Tertiary Admission Centre	Website	Application Opening Date	Application Closing Date
Victoria	VTAC	www.vtac.edu.au	7 August 2017	28 September 2017
Queensland	QTAC	www.qtac.edu.au	3 August 2017	26 September 2016
South Australia	SATAC	www.satac.edu.au	7 August 2017	29 September 2017
Western Australia	TISC	www.tisc.edu.au	7 August 2017	29 September 2017
NSW & ACT	UAC	www.uac.edu.au	2 August 2017	29 September 2017
Northern Territory	SATAC	www.satac.edu.au	7 August 2017	29 September 2017
Tasmania	Direct	www.utas.edu.au	Early August 2017	30 September 2017



News from La Trobe University

➤ Aspire Program at La Trobe

La Trobe offers an Early Entry program called Aspire. This program is designed to acknowledge secondary students who work hard to make positive changes in their schools and communities through volunteering. The ***Aspire Early Admissions Program*** acknowledges a student's volunteering efforts when they apply. As a successful applicant, students receive an offer into their course in September before they receive their ATAR - [Aspire Early Admissions Program](#)

Applicants will need to meet a few criteria including –

- Provide a written statement indicating the activities they have been involved in, the impact these activities have had on their community, and how regularly they participated
- Providing contact details of a referee at school who can provide a recommendation and endorse the volunteering claim/s

Types of volunteering include –

- community service or community group activities
- religious/cultural group activities
- participating in social justice groups or a school leadership role
- being involved in sport, the performing arts or charity fund-raising group activities

Key dates

Applications already open – 1 June 2017

Applications close – 31 August 2017

Notification of Outcome – from mid-September 2017

The Aspire Program is on offer across all La Trobe courses and campuses, and applicants will apply from June to August and conditional offers will be made by September and will be based on the assumption that the student meets the minimum ATAR of 50 with the exception of the following professional degree programs:

COURSE	ASPIRE ATAR
Audiology	70
Clinical Prosthetics & Orthotics	70
Dentistry	97
Dietetics	85
Exercise Physiology	60
Law	70
Law Double Degrees	70
Midwifery	70
Nursing	60
Occupational Therapy	70
Oral Health Science	60
Orthoptics	70
Physiotherapy	90
Podiatry	60
Speech Pathology	80

➤ **Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE)**

PPE Degrees were first established at Oxford University in the 1920s and they have since become an established degree in leading universities across the world. The rationale for PPE degrees derives from the recognition that the major issues in contemporary society nearly always contain very strong political, philosophical and economics dimensions. PPE degrees have always been a compelling option for those students who seek to become tomorrow's decision makers and opinion shapers.

La Trobe's PPE degree provides students with a broad and sophisticated knowledge base to analyse policy debates and social challenges. Content includes specialist subjects that integrate politics, philosophy, and economics. There is also a focus on students being able to develop their capacity to apply a PPE perspective to analysing public policy challenges. PPE students are encouraged to join the student-led PPE Society which regularly holds meetings and high-profile public events.

Students study core and elective subjects from economics, philosophy, and politics in their first year and in their second and third years, study across the three disciplines or specialize in two. Students also have the option to undertake some elective study in any non-PPE discipline of their choosing.

Find out more at [La Trobe PPE](#)



Scholarships at Bond University

Bond University offers an extensive *scholarship program* to both domestic and international students, with values ranging from 25% scholarships to 100%. Year 12 students are reminded applications for the 2018 Scholarship Program close on **31 July 2017**.



What is VET in the VCE?

VET stands for *Vocational Education and Training*, and vocation refers to work or employment. **VET in the VCE** programs are designed to give students an exposure to practical skills and an understanding of what it is like to 'learn through doing'. So, students can opt to do a VET subject while completing their VCE and, in most cases, the VET qualification contributes towards the VCE and the ATAR.

Visit [VET in the VCE](#) or speak to Mrs. Irena Yevlahova.

Why Choose VET Training in the VCE?

Complete two certificates – VCE and a nationally recognised vocational qualification (Certificate II, III or IV).

Study in a learning environment that is different to your school and get a taste of what to expect after leaving school.

Develop new skills.

Get credit towards VCE and your further study.

Whilst there are enormous benefits associated with undertaking VET courses within a student's VCE programme, families should be aware that:

- External studies will bear extra tuition costs that St Andrews Christian College is unable to subsidise.
- Students may miss some VCE classes on the day that VET courses are run at other institutions and will be expected to complete work missed and comply with all deadlines for VCE work.
- Students have to make their own way to and from the institution where they are studying and to and from any work placement venues that may be associated with the running of the appropriate VET course.

VCE VET COURSES AVAILABLE IN 2018

at various venues in the Mullum VET cluster

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY AND THEOLOGY
ELECTROTECHNOLOGY
CHILDREN'S SERVICES
MAKE-UP, SKIN CARE and BEAUTY
AUTOMOTIVE
ACTING
DIGITAL MEDIA
PRINTING & GRAPHIC ARTS
HOSPITALITY

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION
COMMUNITY SERVICES
ALLIED HEALTH
SPORT & RECREATION
ENGINEERING
CISCO
LAB SKILLS
HORTICULTURE

Veta Morphus is a Christian course students can take in Year 11 or Year 12 as a VET course. It offers space to grow in God, serve your community and discover your purpose.



VETA MORPHUS

Certificate III in Christian Ministry & Theology

Grow In Your Christian Life and Gain Credit for Your VCE

Veta Morphus is an exciting one-year Christian discipleship experience for VCE students that engages them in deepening their faith journey, provides real hands-on ministry and leadership training. Veta Morphus students attain the nationally accredited Certificate III in Christian Ministry & Theology (10432NAT).

This nationally accredited discipleship and ministry training opportunity approved by the Department of Education and Training in Victoria, is available for Year 11 or 12 students and gives credit toward VCE (and ATAR) and opens up the potential for many vocational pathways.

Veta Morphus is based on an action/reflection model of authentic Christian learning, giving students the opportunity to ask real questions of life and faith, learning practical theology and effective Bible engagement and preparing students for a life of service.

Veta Morphus offers a refreshing break from the traditional classroom, inviting students to read and reflect on Scripture with a small group of friends, connect with a mature Christian mentor, serve in a local ministry, participate in the life of their Christian community and attend three weekend retreats with students from across the state.

Students gather weekly in class under the supervision of a peer group leader to discuss and complete material on a range of important topics. All work is submitted and assessed by qualified Veta Youth staff and trainers.

More information: <http://veta.org.au/>

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF AN OPEN DAY

Most institutional Open Days are held in late July and August.

What happens on an Open Day?

On Open Day you can visit an institution when it's at its best. Everyone is there – academics, lecturers, current students and information officers. More importantly, you can talk with academics, lecturers and current students about what certain courses are actually like, and what is required to get into them.

Who should attend an Open Day?

Anyone who is considering studying at a tertiary level in the next few years should attend.

Why should you attend an Open Day?

Apart from the opportunity to obtain course information there are many other reasons why attending an Open Day is a good idea:

- You are going to feel more comfortable arriving at a university or TAFE institute on the first day of classes if you have been there before.
- What is really involved in the course or courses you are interested in?
- If you have to move away from home, where are you going to live?
- Will you be happier studying in a large metropolitan institution or a smaller, perhaps rural institution?
- What does the place 'feel' like? Is it a bustling environment with lots of activity or a quieter, more relaxed campus set in landscaped grounds?
- How are you going to get there? Is it close to public transport or should you start saving now for a car?

If you don't know the answers to any of these questions, then you should attend an Open Day!

How to make the best of Open Days?

To make your Open Day visits fun and informative, here are some pointers:

- Write down a list of questions you would like to ask about particular courses
- Be there early. Crowds tend to develop as the day progresses
- On arrival, get a map from a central point and ask for directions to the relevant faculties or schools
- Ask questions!
- Don't spend the day collecting printed information only. Use the opportunity to speak directly with academics before applications close
- Introduce yourself to selection officers if you feel it is appropriate, but don't be pushy
- Check out the residential colleges, if available. After all, it is you that will be living there.
- Walk around the campus. Have a good look! See what sporting facilities and other services are available.
- Enjoy the visit!



Open Days 2017



INSTITUTION	DATE	TIME	CONTACT DETAILS
Australian Catholic University Melbourne Campus Ballarat Campus	Sun 13 August Sun 27 August	10am – 4pm 10am – 3pm	1300 ASK ACU Email: opendayvic@acu.edu.au http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/future_students/undergraduate/experience_uni_before_you_start/open_day
Australian College of Applied Psychology	Sun 13 August	10am – 2pm	1800 061 199 http://www.acap.edu.au/
Australian National University	Sat 26 August	9am – 4pm	http://www.anu.edu.au/study/choose-anu/anu-open-day-2017
Bond University	Sat 22 July	2pm – 6pm	1800 074 074 https://bond.edu.au/open-day
Box Hill Institute of TAFE Lilydale Campus Box Hill Campus	Sun 20 August Sun 27 August	10am – 3pm	1300 269 445 www.boxhill.edu.au/openday
Deakin University & Deakin College Warrnambool Campus Geelong Campus (Wairn Ponds & Waterfront) Melbourne (Burwood) Campus	Sun 6 August Sun 20 August Sun 27 August	9am – 3pm 9am – 3pm 9am – 3pm	1800 334 733 http://openday.deakin.edu.au/
Federation University of Australia Mount Helen Campus; Berwick, and Gippsland	Sun 27 August	10am – 3pm	1800 333 864 http://federation.edu.au/future-students/study-at-feduni/open-day
Holmesglen Institute Open Thursday's – all campuses	10 August 21 September 2 November 14 December	Various times	1300 MY FUTURE Online bookings are essential http://www.holmesglen.edu.au/open
JMC Academy	Sat 12 August	9.30am – 4pm	9624 2917 www.jmcacademy.edu.au
La Trobe University & La Trobe Melbourne Shepparton Campus Melbourne (Bundoora) Campus Albury-Wodonga Mildura Campus Bendigo Campus	Fri 4 August Sun 6 August Sat 12 August Wed 16 August Sun 27 August	4pm – 7pm 10am – 4pm 3pm – 6.30pm 4pm – 7pm 10am – 3pm	1300 135 045 http://www.latrobe.edu.au/openday
Melbourne Polytechnic Preston Campus	Sat 19 August	10am – 4pm	9269 1200 https://www.melbournepolytechnic.edu.au/
Monash University Peninsula Campus Clayton & Caulfield Campuses Parkville Campus (Pharmacy Focus)	Sat 5 August Sun 6 August Sun 20 August	10am – 3pm 10am – 4pm 10am – 3pm	1800 666 274 www.monash.edu.au/openday
Photographic Studies College	Sun 13 August	10am – 3pm	9682 3191 https://www.psc.edu.au/
Navitas College of Public Safety 123 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne CBD	Sun 13 August	10am – 2pm	1800 783 661 www.ncps.edu.au
RMIT City, Bundoora & Brunswick Campuses	Sun 13 August	10am – 4pm	9925 2260 www.rmit.edu.au/openday
Swinburne University Hawthorn	Sun 30 July	10am – 4pm	1300 SWINBURNE www.swinburne.edu.au/openday
Torrens University Melbourne Campus	Sat 12 August	11am – 3pm	1300 575 803 http://www.torrens.edu.au
University of Melbourne Parkville & Southbank Campuses	Sun 20 August	10am – 4pm	1800 801 662 https://openday.unimelb.edu.au/
University of Sydney	Sat 26 August	9am – 4pm	http://openday.sydney.edu.au/
Victoria University Footscray Park campus	Sun 20 August	10am – 3pm	1300 VIC UNI https://www.vu.edu.au/about-vu/news-events/events/open-day-2017
William Angliss Institute of TAFE	Sun 13 August	9.30am – 3pm	1300 ANGLISS http://www.angliss.edu.au

Global Career Hotel Experience

Interested in A Career in the Hotel Management and Tourism Industry?

The Hotel School, in conjunction with the Grand Hyatt Hotel, is delighted to offer students the ***Global Career Hotel Experience***.

This unique program is a full day immersion into the workings of a 5-star luxury hotel. During the day, students will be given a unique insider's view of internal departments and meet leaders from the hotel industry.

The Global Career Hotel Experience is exclusively offered to current year 11 & 12 students who are passionate about the *hotel industry, business management or tourism*.

Date: Sunday 30 July 2017

Time: 9.00am – 3.30pm

Venue: The Residence, Grand Hyatt Melbourne, 123 Collins Street,
Melbourne

Registration is \$25 per participating student. Parents are also encouraged to attend on the day where they can ask questions and hear from alumni and current Hotel School students.

For further details on the event and/or to register visit [The Hotel School - Global Career Hotel Experience](#) or contact hotelschool@scu.edu.au.



AFL Game Day Competition

Win a behind the scenes VIP experience into elite sport thanks to the Geelong Cats and Deakin University.

This VIP package (valued at over \$1200) for current Year 12 students only includes:

- 3x tickets* to the Deakin Corporate Box at the MCG, Geelong Cats vs Collingwood Pies, at 2.10pm Saturday 19 August
- Exclusive access to Geelong Cats player rooms**
- Deakin merchandise item

Conditions of entry: Parental consent is required to complete competition entry. Entrants must be studying Year 12 in 2017. * A parent or guardian must accompany you. NB if you are under the age of 18 and you are not bringing a parent, your guardian must be over the age of 28.

**One person per package; not available to three ticket holders.

To win, tell us in 100 words or less why you're interested in a career in the sports industry and how you think Deakin can get you there. There are 5x packages up for grabs. The closing date for this competition is 31 July 2017. Enter the competition at [AFL Game Day Experience](#)

Thanks for reading! 😊



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