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Friday 27 April

Dates to Diarise in Term 2

- The Age VCE & Careers Expo – Friday 4 May - Sunday 6 May

The Age VCE & Careers Expo 2012
Another reminder that The Age VCE & Careers Expo 2012 will take place the first weekend in May!

When: Thursday 3 May to Sunday 6 May
Time: 10.00am – 4.00pm
Where: Caulfield Racecourse

For more information – a list of the 190 exhibitors or the seminar program, visit http://www.vceandcareers.com.au/index.php?cID=1

FREE Exam Strategy Lectures for Unit 3 Students

The School for Excellence (TSFX) will be running a series of free lectures titled “Mastering the Exams”. These lectures are designed to provide students with the best opportunities to maximise examination scores. Valued at over $200, these lectures are FREE OF CHARGE to all students but participating students will be required to make a minimum $10 donation to one of the charity representatives attending on that day – Fred Hollows Foundation or Beyond Blue.

Date: Saturday 5 May # or 12 May or Saturday 2 June 2012
Time: 10.00am – 2.00pm
Venue: The University of Melbourne (Parkville Campus)
La Trobe University (Bundoora) #

For more information and/or register, visit www.tsfx.com.au
Thinking about a Career in Medicine or Optometry?

Students considering a career in medicine or optometry are encouraged to attend Deakin’s Medicine and Optometry Information Evenings aimed at providing them with the information they need to know about these courses. Students will hear from academic staff who will talk them through the courses available, entry requirements, pathways and study options. Attendees will find out about the course structures, teaching methods and placement opportunities. Professional accreditation will also be discussed, as will the speciality practise areas and career opportunities available following successful completion of these courses.

1. Medicine at Deakin

The Deakin Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery (BMBS) is a four-year, graduate-entry program that prepares students for practice within a wide range of health care settings. A graduate-entry program requires successful completion of an undergraduate degree; however, there are no prerequisites within the undergraduate degree for entry into the Deakin’s BMBS program. This means students bring the added benefit of varying backgrounds and experience to the course.

2. Optometry at Deakin

Deakin optometry is unique in several ways, including the emphasis on case- and team-based learning; an extensive, fully-equipped clinical skills facility, industry partnerships, and a curriculum that delivers across clinical, commercial and professional domains in optometry.

Above all, Deakin optometry students will have one considerable advantage over those from other universities – time. Deakin optometry’s course structure takes advantage of Deakin’s trimester system, so the Bachelor of Vision Science and Master of Optometry can be completed in just three and a half years of full-time study. In short, graduates enter the workforce sooner, which translates to significant earnings and ample time to consider further options including areas of specialisation, research opportunities and further studies.

Students keen on finding out more are invited to attend one of the Medicine and Optometry Information Evenings (detailed below) or contact Health – Student and Academic Services on 03 9251 7777 or health-enquire@deakin.edu.au.

**Medicine and Optometry Information Evenings**

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Venue: Lecture Theatre 13, Building hc2.005, Melbourne Burwood Campus

➢ IT @ Deakin

IT students at Deakin have access to specialised computer labs to help put theory into practice. Some of the facilities available include -

1. **A head start to Cisco Industry Certification**
   *The CCNA Exploration and CCNP curricula of the Cisco® Networking Academy® are incorporated into units offered by the School of Information Technology.* These units are supported by dedicated, well-equipped laboratories with modern facilities and high equipment to student ratios. Students completing these units are well prepared to complete the internationally recognised CCNA and CCNP industry certifications and undertake careers such as a network administrator, network installer or network engineer.

2. **Get an edge on Gaming**
   A range of facilities support units in game design and development. Practical work takes place in modern laboratories equipped with high end PCs fitted with specialist graphics cards. The quality of the hardware is matched by the range of software available, including professional software development platforms, industry standard modelling and animation packages, Steam, and motion capture software compatible with the systems used in Deakin’s state-of-the-art motion capture facility.

3. **A hands-on approach to IT security**
   IT security students can put theory into practice during hands-on work activities in Deakin’s computer labs. The recently updated IT security lab at the Melbourne Burwood Campus is well-equipped with modern facilities and experienced staff. An example of the support the lab can provide to studies in the IT security field is the inclusion of a facility to examine mobile devices, which will support future studies in this area.

For more information about Deakin’s IT courses visit [www.deakin.edu.au/scitech/it](http://www.deakin.edu.au/scitech/it).

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**New Courses on offer at the University of Ballarat**

The School of Science, Information Technology & Engineering recognises that its graduates need to be skilled in the latest technology developments and be “industry
ready” to meet the demands of today’s employers. With this in mind, programs offered are regularly reviewed and new programs are developed to meet the growing demand. In line with this, the School will be introducing the following new programs in 2013:

- **Bachelor of Mathematical Science (Health Analytics)**
  This course is aimed at addressing a critical shortage of graduates with data analysis skills in the health services sector. Students will gain hands on experience in the form of practical placements with health care providers throughout their studies, giving them the edge when looking for employment in a range of health services careers.

- **Bachelor of Aviation Management**
  This degree has been designed to meet the growing need by airlines for pilots to have a tertiary qualification in addition to a commercial pilot license. This program has a strong practical focus and will facilitate pilots transitioning from their flying career to management roles should they chose to do so.

- **Bachelor of Engineering Technology**
  The Bachelor of Engineering Technology will replace the existing Bachelor of Engineering Science. This new three year program will provide students with a start in a career as an *Engineering Technologist*. Students who prefer a more practical approach to learning will excel in this hands-on program, with courses focused on engineering principles that are implemented to solve design problems. With specialisations in *Civil, Mining and Mechanical Engineering* graduates of this program will work in positions requiring expertise in planning, designing and construction; have the ability to cost and analyse project resources; conduct tests and research; and gather and analyse data to support decision making and reporting requirements.

For further information on these new programs contact Kara Hodgson on (03) 5327 9169 or email k.hodgson@ballarat.edu.au.

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**Career in Urban and Regional Planning**

Urban and regional planners (often also called Town Planners) develop policies and plans for the use of land and resources. They advise on the economic, environmental, social and cultural needs of particular localities or regions as they relate to the built environment and the community. They also work on large-scale projects such as new suburbs, towns, industrial areas, commercial and retail developments, urban renewal projects and transportation links.

Urban and regional planners may perform the following tasks:

- develop long-range objectives to cope with growth and change, in consultation with affected communities
✓ perform surveys and site inspections
✓ compile and analyse information on physical, economic, social, legal, political, cultural and environmental factors which affect land use
✓ discuss plans with local communities, private companies and government organisations
✓ consider new developments or re-developing areas and advise state and local governments on planning issues for projects such as new suburbs, transportation links, industrial estates, retail complexes and housing developments
✓ draw up plans for development or re-development and evaluate proposals in terms of benefits and costs, recommending how schemes can be carried out
✓ prepare urban and rural subdivision plans, taking into account various land uses, including residential, public open space, schools and shops
✓ prepare and coordinate economic, social and environmental impact studies

Planning is a broadly based discipline and it is possible to specialise in a wide range of fields, including strategic planning, urban design, environmental impact assessment, residential planning, commercial and industrial planning, heritage planning, tourism planning and social planning.

Successful planners need to –

✓ Be interested in social, economic, environmental and cultural issues
✓ Have good oral and written communication skills
✓ Be able to produce detailed and accurate work
✓ Have good analytical and problem-solving skills

To become an urban and regional planner students usually have to study urban, regional, community and/or environmental planning at university. Students may also consider other degrees that emphasise related fields of architecture, economics, environmental management or science, geography and sociology.

Entry to these courses requires students to attain their VCE and a year 12 maths is highly recommended.

It is important to note that degree studies in urban and regional planning are necessary for professional recognition by the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA).


**Victorian universities that offer courses in Urban and Regional Planning are –**

**Deakin University**
Bachelor of Environmental Science – Environmental Management and Sustainability

**La Trobe University**
Bachelor of Urban, Rural and Environmental Planning
New Bachelor of Applied Public Health at ACU

The Bachelor of Applied Public Health (BAPH) will be offered in 2013 on its Brisbane, Melbourne and North Sydney campuses.

Public Health is the science of protecting and improving community and population health via education, advocacy, promotion of healthy lifestyles, and research for disease and injury prevention.

ACU’s three-year BAPH has a strong applied component, providing opportunities for work integrated learning opportunities locally, nationally and overseas. The degree prepares graduates for employment in state, federal and international health and development agencies, in career roles such as public health advocate, community health officer, health policy analyst, program evaluator, health educator and epidemiologist.

Students attracted to public health are typically those with an inherent interest in the health and well-being of communities, combined with an interest in one or more disciplines related to big picture issues such as social justice, geography, economics, statistics, law, politics and environmental sustainability.

VCE requirement is Units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English. For further information visit, www.acu.edu.au/courses/health/public_health/ or email Dr Shawn Somerset at shawn.somerset@acu.edu.au.

Events for Future Lawyers

Students considering eventually studying law at the University of Melbourne might be keen on taking up the following opportunity – to become a Future Law Member.
of the university and have the opportunity to attend special events that are usually only available to current Melbourne JD students. By registering to become a member, students will receive quarterly newsletters, invitations to Law School events and activities and information related to key dates for admission. For more details and registration refer to the Melbourne JD Future Law website at: www.law.unimelb.edu.au/jd/future-students/future-law

Upcoming Events include -

1. **Melbourne JD Student Panel**
   Attend this panel discussion from some of Melbourne Law School’s JD students, and hear about their experiences of the Melbourne JD. Learn -
   ✓ What is life like as a JD student?
   ✓ Can a student juggle part-time work with study?
   ✓ How much reading does one have to do?
   ✓ What is the LSAT exam?
   Every student has a different experience, and this is an opportunity to hear from a range of students about their insights and achievements.
   
   **Date:** Wednesday 2 May 2012  
   **Time:** 6.00pm—7.00pm  
   **Venue:** Ground Floor, Room GO8, Melbourne Law School, 185 Pelham Street in Carlton

   Find out more and to register log on to [http://go.unimelb.edu.au/5ic](http://go.unimelb.edu.au/5ic)

2. **Melbourne JD Information Session**
   The Melbourne JD program has been designed specifically for graduate students from disciplines and careers outside of law. It offers a range of international and career opportunities. Associate Professor **Elise Bant**, Associate Dean (JD), will discuss the benefits of the program, and a current JD student will share their personal experience in the Melbourne JD.
   
   **Date:** Thursday 17 May 2012  
   **Time:** 6.00pm—7.00pm  
   **Venue:** Ground Floor, Room GO8, Melbourne Law School, 185 Pelham Street in Carlton

   Find out more and to register log on to [http://go.unimelb.edu.au/9ic](http://go.unimelb.edu.au/9ic)
Focus on Melbourne

Join our evening seminar series at our Parkville campus for prospective students and their families.

Take a closer look at the options for pursuing university study and your dream career.

**When** | **What**
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Tuesday 15 May 7:00pm—9:30pm | Focus on Arts
Tuesday 22 May 7:00pm—9:30pm | Focus on IT and Engineering
Thursday 24 May 7:00pm—9:30pm | Focus on Biomedicine (including the Bachelor of Oral Health)
Tuesday 28 May 7:00pm—9:30pm | Focus on Agriculture
Thursday 31 May 7:00pm—9:30pm | Focus on Commerce

To register for these sessions, visit: [http://parkville.unimelb.edu.au/events](http://parkville.unimelb.edu.au/events)

Meet Melbourne

We're on the road and visiting a regional centre near you. Visit to meet University staff and have a chat about the opportunities available for your students to study at Melbourne.

**When** | **Where**
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Thursday 20 April 6:30pm—8:00pm | Quality Hotel Mildura Grand
Tuesday 24 April 6:30pm—8:00pm | Rural Health Academic Centre
Wednesday 26 April 6:30pm—8:00pm | Shepparton
Thursday 27 April 6:30pm—8:00pm | Albury Entertainment Centre
Tuesday 29 April 6:30pm—8:00pm | Orange
Wednesday 30 April 6:30pm—8:00pm | Wollongong Hotel
Thursday 4 May 6:30pm—8:00pm | Albury Entertainment Centre

You must register to attend Meet Melbourne events. To register, go to: [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/meetmelbourne](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/meetmelbourne)

Future Cities Student Forum

**What will Melbourne look like in 50 years?**

**When** | **Where**
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Friday 22 June 2012 1:00pm—3:00pm | Parkville campus, University of Melbourne

The Future Cities Student Forum offers Year 10–11 students an opportunity to explore the wide range of professional areas in the built and natural environment, such as Architecture, Construction Management, Engineering and Landscape Management, through a day of interactive and engaging workshops and seminars.

This multidisciplinary forum highlights the realities and challenges of life now and the possibilities for the future.

For further information and to download your application visit: [www.bmes.unimelb.edu.au/future-students.html](http://www.bmes.unimelb.edu.au/future-students.html)

Application deadline: Friday 8 June 2012

The Age VCE Expo

**When** | **Where**
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3–4 May 9:00am—3:30pm | The Melbourne Showgrounds
5–6 May 10:00am—4:00pm | The Melbourne Showgrounds

**Where:** Stand 70, Caulfield Racecourse

Visit the University’s stand at Victoria’s biggest education and careers event. Meet University staff and learn about life as a student at Melbourne.

Information sessions:
- The Melbourne Experience: Everything you need to know
- Thursday 3 May, 11:45am
- Friday 4 May, 9:30am
- Saturday 5 May, 1:15pm
- Sunday 6 May, 1:15pm