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Friday 3 August

Dates to Diarise in Term 3

- University / TAFE Open Days 2012 – throughout August
- Year 12 VTAC applications – throughout August and September

Prerequisite Changes at Swinburne University

English requirements for all undergraduate degrees have changed. Students are now required to achieve a study score of at least 30 in Units 3 and 4 English (ESL) or a study score of at least 25 in Units 3 and 4 in any other English.

Students applying for entry to an Associate degree will need to achieve a study score of at least 30 in Units 3 and 4 English (ESL) or a study score of at least 20 in Units 3 and 4 in any other English.

The Associate Degree in Applied Graphic Design has also changed its entry requirements to include a portfolio submission.

These changes are not listed in the 2013 Degrees and Diploma Course Guide but are reflected on the VTAC website – www.vtac.edu.au

Victorian Police Information Session

Students keen on finding out more about careers with the Victorian Police, the training program at the police academy as well as the application process are invited to attend an Information Session.

Date: Wednesday 1 August 2012
Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Venue: Victoria Police Academy, Viewmount Road in Glen Waverley

For more information visit
Early Achievers' Program at ACU
As a Year 12 student, do you demonstrate leadership in your school or workplace, coordinate a community initiative, volunteer in a local cultural, sporting or religious group or provide care to someone in need?

Australian Catholic University's Early Achievers' Program recognises a students’ potential to achieve great things. Students can apply now and possibly receive a provisional offer at ACU by late October 2012. Gaining a place in the desired course is dependent on meeting the University’s minimum entry requirements and subject prerequisites, regardless of success in the program.

The program operates at each of the University's six campuses nationally. Applications open on Monday 13 August 2012 and close on Sunday 21 October 2012. Students are encouraged to start gathering their required documentation now to submit with along their application. Failure to meet all the requirements for the EAP will result in not being considered for the program.

To find out more and/or to apply, visit www.acu.edu.au/eap

Projects Abroad – Open Day – Volunteer Overseas
Projects Abroad organises volunteer and work experience programmes in 29 developing countries. There is a wide range of projects such as; care, teaching, conservation, sports, human rights, law, healthcare and journalism in countries like Kenya, Peru and Nepal to name a few.

Project Abroad are holding an Open Day – Volunteer Overseas event and it will feature presentations from staff and past volunteers, along with lots of opportunity for those who attend to chat and ask questions.

Date: Saturday 11 August 2012
Time: 1.00pm – 5.00pm (go along any time)
Venue: Northcote Town Hall, 189 High Street in Northcote

Attendance is free! Please reserve a spot at http://www.projects-abroad.com.au/more-info/meet-us/#open-days

For students who cannot attend the Open Day but still want to learn, Projects Abroad is running an online information session on Tuesday 7 August 2012. Visit http://www.projects-abroad.com.au/more-info/meet-us/#online-information-sessions
Psychology Information Session at Monash

Students considering studying psychology might like to attend a free Information Session at Monash University and learn more about what studying psychology at Monash is like, particularly the honours and research post-graduate opportunities.

Date: Tuesday 28 August 2012
Time: 5.30pm - 7.30pm
Venue: Clayton Campus, Building 25, Lecture Theatres S1 and S4
Registration: Registrations are essential. Please RSVP by 16 August 2012.

To register visit http://www.monash.edu.au/news/events/show/psychology-research-degrees-and-honours-information-session

News from Swinburne University

➢ New courses offered from 2013

Swinburne University will be offering new degree courses with specialisations in sports science, nutrition and psychology available.

Bachelor of Health Science
Bachelor of Business (Sports Management)
Bachelor of Business (Logistics and Supply Chain Management)
Bachelor of Social Science (Security and Counter Terrorism)
Bachelor of Social Science (Criminology and Forensic Science)
Bachelor of Arts (Cultural Studies)
Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy)
Bachelor of Arts (Literature)
Bachelor of Arts (Psychophysiology)
Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)
Bachelor of Technology (Information Systems)
To find out more visit http://www.swinburne.edu.au/index.php

➢ Robotics Competition

Students with an interest in engineering, science and technology are invited to the National Instruments Autonomous Robotics Competition at Swinburne on Friday 21 September 2012.

The day is an opportunity for students to see robotics and engineering in action which will provide them with interactive and hands-on engineering experience.

As the 2011 competition winners, Swinburne University won the right to host the live national competition in 2012. There is expected to be 20 teams from across Australia and New Zealand competing in the final.

To find out more or to register visit http://www.swinburne.edu.au/engineering/autorobotcomp/
Upcoming Events at Victoria University

 **VU Information Day**
Victoria University will give students the opportunity to discover the Footscray Park Campus with tours, presentations, and a mini faculty expo where they can find out more about the courses on offer!

**Date:** Saturday 8 September 2012  
**Time:** 10.00am – 12noon  
**Where:** Footscray Park Campus, Ballarat Road in Footscray

 **Discovery Day at Footscray Park Campus**
VU Discovery Day is an opportunity to get to know what life is like as a student at VU. Attend course information workshops, meet current students and explore the campus.

**Date:** Saturday 24 September 2012  
**Where:** Footscray Park Campus, Ballarat Road in Footscray

Registrations and more details for both these events are opening soon. To find out more, visit [http://www.vu.edu.au/news/events-for-future-students](http://www.vu.edu.au/news/events-for-future-students)

News from La Trobe University

 **IT Branded Cadetship Program**
The Faculty of Science, Technology and Engineering at La Trobe University offers a unique **IT Cadetship Program** – meaning students can earn an income while gaining hands on practical experience in the IT industry. Students will be employed by an Industry Partner to work full-time, be given time to study part-time at university and be mentored and supported by an Industry Partner workplace coach.

After completing the IT Cadetship Program students will graduate with a **Bachelor of Information Technology (Professional)** and up to 5 years of transferrable skills and experiences gained in the IT industry.

The current Industry Partners offering cadetships are:

- Bendigo and Adelaide Bank  
- Bendigo Community Telco  
- Bendigo IT  
- Community Telco Australia  
- Integrating Technology

Applications are open and close on Friday 28 September 2012. Students who apply for the **Bachelor of IT (Professional)** through VTAC or UAC are eligible to apply for
the cadetship program. Provided the selection criteria are met, students will be invited to attend an interview with the Industry Partner. The Industry Partner will advise students of the outcome of their interview in October. The Industry Partner and the University will confirm cadetships in December once Year 12 results are also available.

For more information and/or to access the application form visit http://www.latrobe.edu.au/scitecheng/study/industry-cadetships-and-placements/it-branded-cadetship-program

- **Study Abroad with La Trobe**

  La Trobe University is committed to study abroad and student exchange programs. The *La Trobe Abroad* program aims to provide students with a meaningful overseas experience, incorporating study which counts towards their degree. La Trobe students also have the option to participate in a short term program or a clinical placement abroad. La Trobe has over 100 partner universities in 30 countries around the world! Some facts to consider:

  - All students (domestic or international) receive funding from La Trobe Abroad for exchange and short term programs
  - Students have the chance to go on multiple overseas opportunities and receive a grant for each one of them
  - Scholarships are available from several organisations and exchange partners for additional funding
  - Several specialty degrees have mapped out exchange programs for their students so that it is easy to go on exchange and not lose time from their course (Nursing, Podiatry, Nanotechnology etc.)

  Visit [http://www.latrobe.edu.au/international/edabroad/exchange](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/international/edabroad/exchange) to find out more!

**SkillsInfo Resource**

*SkillsInfo* is a useful online resource with information on education and training, skills in demand, as well as comprehensive and forward-looking data on industry employment. *SkillsInfo* helps to answer questions on skills, such as:

- What is a ‘skill shortage’?
- Where are the skills in demand in Australia?
- What are the latest labour force figures?
- What are ‘employability skills’?
- How can one find out about industries and occupations for Australia?

Visit and explore the following link - [www.skillsinfo.gov.au](http://www.skillsinfo.gov.au).
Are you completing school this year? Perhaps you are not planning on going on to university or TAFE, but still value the opportunity to complete a qualification?

MEGT Australian Apprenticeship Centre is hosting two Open Days in the month of August! This is an opportunity for students to go and see the facilities and find out more about the range of services offered by MEGT.

**Date:** Sunday 12 August 2012  
**Time:** 10.00am – 4.00pm  
**Venue:** Trades Skill Centre, 251 Maroondah Highway in Ringwood  
Showcasing courses in Carpentry, Electrotechnology and Bookkeeping

**Date:** Sunday 26 August 2012  
**Time:** 10.00am – 4.00pm  
**Venue:** Melbourne City campus, Level 3, 55 Swanston Street in Melbourne  
Showcasing courses in Early Childhood Education and Business and Finance

News from Holmesglen Institute

Free Folio Preparation Sessions

Is your folio the best it can be? Enrol in free 2012 folio preparation nights to polish your design skills and find out more on how to get into the graphic design courses on offer at Holmesglen!

All classes run from 5pm to 8pm at Holmesglen’s Chadstone campus.

Book into just one session or book into them all!

- Tuesday 7 August 2012 - Adobe InDesign
- Tuesday 14 August 2012 - Adobe Photoshop
- Tuesday 21 August 2012 - Interview and Folio Tips

Students will get hands on experience in the Mac studios, meet lecturers and go home with a new folio piece each week.

For more information and to book into a session contact Michele Van Eeden on (03) 9564 1578 or email michele.vaneeden@holmesglen.edu.au

Graphic Design Pocket Rocket

Download a free graphic design app from iTunes! Students can get all the tips and tricks on how to prepare a folio for entry into our graphic design course including:

- Certificate IV in Design
- Diploma of Graphic Design
- Advanced Diploma of Graphic Design

Apply through VTAC, download an application form (to supplement the VTAC application) at www.holmesglen.edu.au/applicationforms and book in for an interview.

Advanced Leadership Degrees in Business

High achieving students, who attain an ATAR of 90 or above, might like to consider applying for the Bachelor of Business (Advanced Leadership) or Bachelor of Commerce (Advanced Leadership) degrees at Flinders University and be awarded with a guaranteed entry to the Advanced Leadership Program. This program provides the students with the necessary skills and work-relevant experience to make them of distinct value to potential employers. Students will have a guaranteed industry placement, a research project, participation in a student conference, and individual mentoring as well.

Students keen on finding out more about careers in the media might like to register to attend a ‘media talk’ where there will be a panel with some of Australia’s Broadcasters, Journalists, Producers and Social Media experts presenting!

Visit http://www.faustinaagolley.com/mediatalks for more information and/or to register!