

# Career News 2018 #1

### CareerNews Update & Key Dates

Welcome to the first CareerNews newsletter for 2018. We hope you enjoyed a restful holiday break and are ready for a rewarding and successful school year ahead.

We have undergone some changes here at CareerNews including a new format, which we hope you enjoy. Fundamentally, we will be continuing to keep you abreast of the latest careers information and providing the resources to help you build a sustainable career.

The topics that we will continue to cover:

- University Courses & Programs
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- VTAC Process
- VET in Schools
- Open Days
- Subject Selection Guidance
- Career Expos
- VCAA Information
- Cadetships & Traineeships
- Scholarship Opportunities
- Overseas Exchange Programs
- International Study
- Careers Testing & Assessment
- Part-time and Casual Job Opportunities
- Resume Writing

- Interview Skills
- Apprenticeships Information
- Work Experience Information

#### For the Diary - Key Dates:

YR 12 students interested in undergraduate medicine & health sciences –

Applications to sit the UMAT (Undergraduate Medicine & Health Sciences Admission Test) are now open and registrations close Friday 1 June at 5pm. The UMAT2018 will be held on Wed 25 July 2018 with results available mid-September. For a list of courses which require UMAT, please refer to page 2 and for further information on eligibility criteria visit <a href="https://wmat.acer.edu.au">http://wmat.acer.edu.au</a>

#### Yr 12 international students –

Those intending to apply for certain health courses (see list page 2) in 2019, will need to sit the ISAT – International Student Admissions Test which is a computer-based test assessing critical and quantitative reasoning. See pg 3 for the list of courses and for more information visit <a href="https://isat.acer.org/">https://isat.acer.org/</a>

#### For everyone -

#### Melbourne Career Expo

When: Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July - 10.00am - 3.00pm Sat 21<sup>st</sup> July - 10.00am - 4.00pm Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> July - 10.00am - 4.00pm

Where: Melbourne Exhibition & Convention Centre, Door 9.

Cost: School bookings and children under 13 free, \$6 concessions, \$12 general admission, \$26 for families 2 adults and up to 3 children.

The Melbourne Careers Expo is the most comprehensive careers event in Australia. It encompasses all career opportunities from employment to education and training in the trades, corporate and professional sectors. It exhibits a vast array of career advice, employment opportunities, and large University and training representation.

For further details, visit:

http://www.careerexpo.com.au/attend/event-details/

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#### For the Diary - Key Dates (Continued)

For those interested in working in the For all students wishing to maximize their Australian Defence Force – VCE marks and ATAR score -'Mastering the VCE' run by TSFX (The School Australian Defence Force Careers Expo of Excellence) Annual Fundraising Event. When: Fri 23rd Feb - 9.00am - 3.00pm When: Sun 18th Feb, Sat 24th Feb, Sun 25th Sat 24th Feb - 9.00am - 5.00pm Feb. Sun 25th Feb - 10.00am - 4.00pm Cost: \$10 donation to the Fred Hollows Foundation. Where: Royal Exhibition Building- 9 Nicholson Street, Carlton, Victoria. Where: University of Melbourne Cost: Free! Also no RSVP required. For full details: <a href="http://www.tsfx.com.au">http://www.tsfx.com.au</a> There will be virtual reality experiences, displays, helicopter simulators, ADF Recruiting Careers Counsellors and current serving members discussing the options available in the Air Force, Navy and Army. Plus lots more!

#### **UMAT Courses**

The University of Adelaide	Medicine, Dental Surgery
Charles Darwin University	Clinical Sciences
Charles Sturt University	Dental Science
Curtin University	Medicine
Flinders University	Clinical Sciences/Medicine
La Trobe University	Health Sciences in Dentistry/Master of Dentistry**, Oral Health Science**
Monash University	Medicine
The University of Newcastle/University of New England	Joint Medical Program
The University of NSW	Medicine
The University of QLD	Medicine (Provisional Entry), Dental Science
University of Tasmania	Medicine
The University of WA	Medicine (Direct Pathway), Dental Medicine (Direct Pathway)
Western Sydney University	Medicine
The University of Auckland	Medicine
University of Otago	Medicine, Dental Surgery
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<sup>\*\*</sup>UMAT only required for non-Yr 12 applicants.

Please note – UMAT2018 results can only be used for undergraduate medicine or health science courses commencing in 2019. It is important that students do not register for UMAT2018 unless they are planning to apply for a course beginning in 2019.

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#### **ISAT Courses**

Flinders University	Clinical Sciences/Medicine (pathway)
Monash University	Medicine
University of NSW	Medicine
University of QLD - Dental	Dental Science
University of QLD - Medicine	Medicine (provisional entry)
University of Tasmania	Medicine
Monash University	Medicine
University of WA	Dental Medicine (direct pathway), Medicine (direct pathway)
University of Western Sydney	Medicine

# Discovering online tools



With a lot of important information and resources online these days, it can be quite overwhelming deciphering the most relevant and useful online resources.

There are some excellent online quizzes to help you <u>discover your strengths and establish your career pathway.</u> These websites are worth visiting:

- Skills Road <a href="http://www.skillsroad.com.au">http://www.skillsroad.com.au</a>
- My Future <a href="https://myfuture.edu.au">https://myfuture.edu.au</a>

It is also important to <u>research industry trends and employment projections</u>. Our top three websites are:

- Job Outlook <a href="http://joboutlook.gov.au">http://joboutlook.gov.au</a>
- Youth Central <a href="http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au">http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au</a>
- Australian Government Department of Employment <a href="http://lmip.gov.au">http://lmip.gov.au</a> (employment projections report)

It is also beneficial to <u>stay updated with your secondary school's career page</u> as this can provide you with the most up-to-date information on various topics including; VCE,

Vocational Education and Training (VET), Universities, TAFE and private providers, apprenticeships and traineeships, The Australian Defence Force, job information, assistance with 'school to work' planning and Structured Workplace Learning (SWL). Your school may also subscribe to certain websites such as Wirl – <a href="https://www.wirl.com.au">https://www.wirl.com.au</a> which you can gain access to.

#### The importance of staying connected with your preferred learning institutions prior to further study

Many courses accept Year 12 graduates on the basis of their ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank) and meeting any prerequisite subject requirements. Some courses, however, have additional requirements (e.g. an audition, a folio presentation, completion of a selection kit, attendance at an interview). You are advised to check these out on the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) website (<a href="www.vtac.edu.au">www.vtac.edu.au</a>). Applicants for courses apply on the VTAC website, commencing in August each year. Up to eight courses can be applied for.

In addition, it is helpful to attend open days, seminars and information sessions at your preferred future learning institution(s). Universities, TAFE's and some independent providers open their doors, usually once a year on Sundays in August, for the public to see facilities, attend information sessions, talk to staff and current students, and to check out clubs and societies. These are useful for obtaining a more in-depth experience of a particular institution and its courses. Dates will be published soon for your diary.

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## Industry Focus – Health (Nutritionist)



Nutritionists study and provide advice about dietary habits to encourage the achievement of a healthy lifestyle. They may consult with individuals and groups about their dietary habits (food intake), assess their nutritional deficiencies and prescribe suitable diet plans. Further tasks that Nutritionists may undertake include:

- Planning, conducting and evaluating nutrition intervention programs and compile educational material.
- Liaise with other health professionals about nutrition, including controlled diets for people with special needs.
- Monitor clients' progress and provide ongoing support with nutritional care.
- Collect, organise and analyse data relating to health and nutrition behaviours of specific groups and populations.

To become a nutritionist, you usually have to study nutrition, science, health science or applied science at university with a major in nutrition. You will need to gain your VCE with prerequisite subjects usually being English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics. However, some universities have different prerequisites and flexible entry requirements. The below table outlines the undergraduate options offered at universities in Victoria. Upon graduation, you can also apply for higher degrees such as an honours program or the Master of Dietetics.

University	Course	Qualification level	Duration	Prerequisites*
Deakin University (Burwood)	Bachelor of Nutrition Science	Undergraduate (1 <sup>st</sup> degree)	3 years full-time or part-time equivalent	Applicants should have successfully completed VCE, or equivalent, including Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL. ATAR 63.5
Deakin University (Burwood	Bachelor of Nutrition Science/Bachelor of Commerce	Undergraduate (1st degree)	4 years full-time or part-time equivalent	Applicants should have successfully completed VCE, or equivalent, including Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL. ATAR 68.2
Deakin University (Burwood, Waurn Ponds (Geelong), Warrnambool	Bachelor of Health Sciences	Undergraduate (1st degree)	3 years full-time or part-time equivalent	Entry for school leavers will be based on their performance in the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) or its equivalent, with prerequisite units 3 and 4; a study score of at least 30 in English EAL (English as an additional language) or 25 in English other than EAL. Applicants will be selected in accordance with the published clearly-in Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) for that year.
Federation University - (Gippsland, Mount Helen, Off-campus)	Bachelor of Food and Nutritional Sciences	Undergraduate	3 years minimum duration	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 18 in any English.
RMIT University (City / Bundoora)	Bachelor of Science (Food Technology and Nutrition)	Undergraduate	3 years minimum duration	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics. ATAR 68.75

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University	Course	Qualification	Duration	Prerequisites*
La Trobe University (Bundoora)	Bachelor of Human Nutrition	Undergraduate	3 years minimum duration	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in two of Biology, Chemistry, any Mathematics, Physical Education or Physics.  ATAR 61
Victoria University (Footscray Park)	Bachelor of Human Nutrition	Undergraduate	3 years minimum duration	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Biology, Chemistry, Health and Human Development, any Mathematics or Physical Education.
Monash University (Clayton)	Bachelor of Nutrition Science	Undergraduate	3 years minimum duration	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in one of Biology or Chemistry.  ATAR 75.25
Australian Catholic University (Melbourne)	Bachelor of Nutrition Science	Undergraduate	3 years minimum duration	Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL.  ATAR 58.75

<sup>\*</sup>The ATAR scores listed are an approximate only. For more detailed information, please make contact with the relevant learning institution.

It is worth noting that Victoria University (campuses in Melbourne, Footsgray and St Albans) offers scholarships in Health & Biomedicine. This involves admission into specific Health & Biomedicine undergraduate degrees and funding of up \$5,000 per year for 4 years. ATAR for this is to be 90.00 or higher.