

Welcome Back!
We are looking forward to another busy term.

Year 9

Year 9 Girls : 'Girl Power in STEM'

In 2016 the Melbourne School of Engineering piloted the 'Girl Power in STEM' program with a select group of 30 Year 9 female students. They are pleased to announce the program will continue in 2017 for those students (now in Year 10) and we will be opening applications for a second group **of Year 9 students** in the coming weeks.

The first year of the program features a three-night on-campus camp during the July school holidays.

The camp will consist of

- Presentations by academics
- Panel discussions with industry
- Hands on and interactive workshops
- An opportunity to interact with current Engineering and IT students at the University

Registrations for the Girl Power in STEM Camp will be until 5.00pm on **Monday 8 May**.

There are no limitations to the number of applications that can be submitted however only 30 students will be selected for participation in 2017. For more information about the application process please see below.

PROGRAM DETAILS

- The female student camp will run from the Monday 3 July till mid-day Wednesday 5 July 2017
- Students will arrive and register on the evening of Sunday 2 July and depart on the afternoon of Wednesday 5 July
- The program is free of charge and will include 3 nights' accommodation, all meals and workshops during the camp
- There are a limited number of full and partial bursaries available to successful applications who demonstrate a need for financial assistance
- Accommodation will be at one of the colleges at the University of Melbourne – Queens College
- Dietary requirements will be catered for and students will need to provide this information as part of the application process

APPLICATION PROCESS

- All applications need to be submitted online
- Registrations will be open until 5.00pm Monday 8 May 2017
- Program is currently open only to students in Year 9
- Only 30 places are available in this program for 2017
- Student applications will be reviewed and short telephone interviews will be conducted for those shortlisted (these can be conducted with a guardian, parent or teacher present with the student). The interviews are scheduled to take place the week beginning 15 May onwards
- Successful applicants will be notified by 6 June

Please drop into the Careers Office to register your interest and apply.

- Selected students need to fill in the relevant documents and return them by Monday 12 June in order to participate in the program

To register for the program please visit -<http://www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/engage/schools/girl-power-in-stemm> or navigate via <http://www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/engage/schools/>

Direct URL link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LkNZcMJQ-kdy6QOFIYuNHISXZJgPKPGvUTI2bt02w_4/viewform?edit_requested=true

Year 9 and 10

Melbourne Polytechnic are running a taster day involving several workshops . This would provide students with an opportunity to explore various trades/ occupations. The event is free, we will simply be charging the transport costs- approximately \$10.00 a student. See information below:

Melbourne Polytechnic Trade Taster Day 2017

We are running two sessions (morning and afternoon) . Groups will consist of 6 x 20 minute practical activities. Event is primarily aimed at year 9/10s but open to any interested students.

Session 1 – 9.30am - 11.30am

- Culinary - Interactive demonstration of the culinary arts
- Horticulture - Paving and or stone walling, this will split each group in two
- Bricklaying - Try your hand at laying bricks
- Carpentry - Joinery, Furniture & Cabinet Making - Construct a timber bird box or step stool.
- Locksmithing - Safe opening exercise
- Fabrication - Demonstration and students can customize a key tag to take away

Session 2 - 12.30pm - 2.30pm

- Hospitality - Interactive demonstration of drink mixology
- Hair - Mannequin head activities – roller setting, foiling and braiding techniques
- Agriculture & Animal Studies - Conversation land management on farms, breeding boxes and flora fauna counts
- Painting & Plastering - Practice plastering and painting a wall
- Plumbing - Try your hand at bending and joining methods for plumbing
- Electrical - Complete a low voltage light and switch circuit

Students need to register their interest in the Careers Room.

Year 10

This year, Work Experience is from June 26th-30th, the last week of Term 2. All contracts (paperwork) should have been completed and if students have not yet submitted them, they need to do so as soon as possible. Contact Ms Boutsikakis if you have any queries.

Year 10 interviews are well on the way and students are encouraged to begin exploring options for their future careers. The Ringwood Secondary College Careers website provides a wealth of information and is accessible from the RSC portal. A good start would be to complete two interest tests. One interest test can be accessed through the student secure area and another through WIRL.

WIRL is a great resource for students to explore careers. To access the site use the following log in and password.

Website : <http://www.wirl.com.au>

School Login: ringsc Password:galaxy87

Year 11 and 12

Most Year 12 students have had their careers interview and now need to be exploring the different courses and options. Students need to refer to the fortnightly Careers Bulletin to ensure that they are up to date with the current information.

Year 11 students will be interviewed throughout this term

Other news.....

Career Expos: provide a wealth of information for year 10, year 11 and Year 12

- The VCE and Career Expo 2017 is on the Thursday 4th May, Friday 5th May, Saturday 6th May and Sunday 7th May at Caulfield Racecourse, Station Street, Caulfield.
<http://www.vceandcareers.com.au>

APPLYING FOR A TAX FILE NUMBER (TFN)

Students apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified in an interview at a participating Australia Post Office. To apply and to find out about participating Post Offices: <https://www.ato.gov.au/Forms/TFN---application-for-individuals/> NOTE: Not only do students need a TFN if employed, **Year 12 students need a TFN when they accept an offer of a university or VET place in January 2018.**

UMAT

UMAT: The Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT) is developed and used specifically to assist with the selection of students into medicine at Monash University and several courses interstate. Students need to register before the 2nd June, and the test will take place on the 26 July, 2017.

Please download the UMAT 2016 Information Booklet for further information.

<https://umat.acer.edu.au/>

Swinburne Senior Secondary College

Swinburne Senior Secondary College has an information evening on Tuesday May 2, at 6.00 pm. The college will consider applications for Year 11 VCE, Semester 2, 2017. Students need to contact the college prior to attending. Applications for Year 11 and 12 VCE, 2018 need to contact the college to begin the enrolment procedure.

Victorian College of the Arts Secondary School - AUDITIONS FOR ENTRY 2018

Audition applications will open on the 24th April 2017 for Victoria's premier school for young dancers, musicians and visual artists. Located in Southbank in the Melbourne Arts Precinct, they provide up to six years professional training in dance or music, at a government school, integrated with a full academic education years 7 to 12. For detailed information, FAQ, and the online application form go to their website <http://www.vcass.vic.edu.au/entry/>

EARLY ENTRY PROGRAMS FOR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES ACU

Build on your volunteering and leadership experience and explore your potential with ACU's Early Achievers' Program. If you regularly volunteer in your community – through your school, community organisation, or cultural or religious group – you could be eligible for the Early Achievers' Program entry into an undergraduate degree. If successful, you'll receive an offer as early as August to study, and benefit from opportunities to enhance your leadership and volunteering skills while at ACU.

[http://www.acu.edu.au/study-at-acu/pathways And entry schemes/year 12 student entry/early entry](http://www.acu.edu.au/study-at-acu/pathways-and-entry-schemes/year-12-student-entry/early-entry)

La Trobe University

The Aspire Program is for people who've made a positive impact on their community – whether it's through volunteering, leadership or community engagement. As a successful Aspire applicant, you'll receive an early conditional offer into your course in September. For Year 12 students, this is well before you receive your ATAR. <http://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire/about-aspire>

SEMINARS AND LECTURE SERIES

'Focus On Melbourne' Series

A reminder to students that during the months of May and June, the University of Melbourne will be hosting a series of *free* **'Focus on...'** **Information Sessions** in the early evening aimed at informing prospective students about the courses on offer; hear from current students, academic staff and recent graduates about what it is like to study that degree or course at Melbourne, and the career and personal development opportunities available to graduates.

Registrations opened last term, so act quickly! To register click on the links listed below!

https://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/2017-focus-on-melbourne

Inside Monash

The **Inside Monash Seminar Series** are still running. These seminars provide VCE students and parents with an insight into the courses and career options within discipline areas. The seminars are held in various locations across the Caulfield, Clayton and Peninsula campuses, and seminars with the same title have the same program. **All seminars commence at 6.30pm.**

<https://www.monash.edu/inside-monash>

Spark Engineering Camp

This is a camp for 100 grade 10-12 secondary school students to experience university life and see what engineering has to offer. Students stay in residential colleges for 5-7 days and participate in a range of activities.

The camp is free of charge and aims to break down barriers some students face in accessing university education. Applications close 27th May.

<http://www.sparkengineeringcamp.ywb.com.au/students.html>

WEP (World Education Program)

Applications for short term exchange programs departing in November and December 2017, are still open. For year 10 and year 11 students, these programs are an ideal way to gain international experiences that will complement their VCE studies.

The Careers Team