



CAREER NEWS

Friday 1 December 2017



Happy Holidays

As this is the final St Andrews *Careers Newsletter* for this year, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all students and their families a wonderful summer holiday - filled with special times shared with friends and loved ones. Keep safe!



2017 VCAA Results

Year 12's, and Year 10 and 11 students who may have sat Unit 3/4 exams, are reminded that the study scores come out on Friday 15 December 2017. To access these results students can:

- Log on to [Results and ATAR](#) any time from **7.00am, Friday 15 December 2017 AEDST**. This service is *free* and operates 24 hours a day.
- Type in your **VCAA student number** and where a PIN is required, type in the **first four digits of your birth date**, e.g. 22 August = 2208

It should be pointed out that the school is not able to release results or ATARs to parents or other parties as the results are the property of the student.

The ATAR statement from VTAC and the results from VCAA will be in the mail any time from Monday 18 December 2017.



News from Monash University

➤ **What happens if something occurs after the VTAC SEAS deadline?**

In the case of a student experiencing educational disadvantage since the SEAS closing date which was in October, Year 12 students may apply for SEAS directly with Monash by completing the **Monash University Special Entry and Access Scheme** form. Students must provide their VTAC ID with their evidence, and send certified copies of all relevant documents to support their claim of disadvantage along with the form - [Monash University Direct Application Special Entry and Access Scheme](#)

PATHWAYS TO EDUCATION, SCIENCE, BUSINESS AND NURSING

Monash offers a range of pathways for students who don't meet the requirements for direct entry into their preferred course.

The Diploma of Tertiary Studies (DOTS)

DoTS is a one year course offered at our Peninsula campus and provides a pathway into selected business, education and nursing courses.

The Diploma of Higher Education (DOHE)

DoHE is a one year course offered at our Clayton campus and provides a pathway into selected science and education courses.

Both programs count as the first year of study in the course students progress into in second year. This means students don't spend any additional time studying for degree completion.

Both diplomas provide a fantastic opportunity for students who have not met entry requirements such as ATAR scores or subject specific prerequisites.

Applicants interested in applying for either program must complete a VTAC Personal Statement by Tuesday 2 January, 2018. Students can find out how to write a personal statement on the VTAC

<http://vtac.edu.au/applying/personal-statement.html>

For more information on DoTS, please visit

<https://www.monash.edu/study/courses/find-a-course/2018/tertiary-studies-d0502>

For more information on DoHE, please visit

<https://www.monash.edu/study/courses/find-a-course/2018/higher-education-d0501>

MATHS BRIDGING PROGRAM

Monash Maths Bridging is for students who have undertaken Mathematical Methods in order to be considered for a range of courses in Business, Engineering, IT, Pharmacy and Science but who did not achieve the required study score. The three week (16 days) program will run in January 2018 and provides the additional knowledge and skills in the relevant mathematics for students to be considered for a second round offer. The program allows students to start in their preferred course without having to complete a further year of study in order to meet the prerequisite requirements.

NOTE: Maths bridging is only available to current Year 12 students who have completed their VCE or equivalent in 2017. Students who complete the Maths Bridging will be considered for an offer in Round 2.

For further details about program dates and how to apply, please visit

<https://www.monashcollege.edu.au/courses/maths-bridging>

2018 Monash Extension

Applications are now open for the 2018 Monash Extension studies program.

The program allows high achieving Year 12 students to undertake two first year university subjects during Year 12 to gain an early taste of university.



2018 marks our 25th anniversary of Monash Extension. Join our community of over 8000 students who have taken the early leap into university.

In 2018, students can choose from 10 subjects across science, technology, humanities and business.

The program costs \$450 per semester (\$900 for the year) and we provide a small number of scholarships for disadvantaged students. Students can apply for scholarships once they're accepted into the program.

Applications close Monday 11 December. Please encourage your high achieving students to apply today or visit

<https://www.monash.edu/study/why-choose-monash/information-for-high-achieving-students/monash-extension>

SCIENCE PRECINCT TOUR

LAST CHANCE TO LOOK AROUND THE SCIENCE PRECINCT THIS YEAR

When: Wednesday 20 December at 10am

Where: Clayton campus

Registration is vital as places are limited and likely to fill up quickly.



MYSCI EVENT for Year 11 and 12 students in 2018

Offered by Monash Science and the Young Scientists of Australia, this three day event includes workshops in biological sciences, chemistry, earth, atmosphere and environment, mathematical sciences, and physics and astronomy. Students will experience state-of-the-art teaching laboratories and explore their love of science by sampling a huge variety of research activities taking place right now.

When: Tuesday 16 January to Thursday 18 January, 2018 Where: Clayton campus

Please register for these events as well as check other exciting Monash University programs:

<http://www.monash.edu/science/about/events>

INFORMATION FOR COMPLETING YEAR 12 STUDENTS

**Blended Learning International (RTO 110068)
and a Pathway to Year 2 Bachelor of Business
Degree at RMIT University**



Why choose our Diploma:

1. Accelerated entry to one of RMIT business degrees
2. Upon completion of the diploma, students will receive up to 8 unmatched elective credits for their chosen business degree at RMIT
3. Complete a three year degree in only two years for selected business degrees
4. Receive immense savings on time and university tuition fees

Students who enrol in the BSB50215 Diploma of Business by 23 December 2017 will have the opportunity for the 2018 mid-year intake (Year 2) into the Bachelor of Business Degree. Please note that there are no academic pre-requisites for the BSB50215 Diploma of Business, but students must be over 17 years of age.

http://www.blendedlearning.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Domestic_Accelerated-Entry-RMIT_2017.pdf

<http://www.blendedlearning.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Application-Form-2017.pdf>

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RSPCA Career Discovery Day

Do you want to work in the animal care industry?



For the students who are interested in a career working in the animal care industry this could be a step in the right direction!

Gain insight from current industry specialists and unlock pathways to a fulfilling career with animals.

As the leading animal welfare organisation in Victoria, we utilise a range of skilled staff to care for animals and campaign for better animal welfare.

We invite all those interested in working in the animal care industry to come and listen to skilled professionals who are actively working in animal care industry, and how they got to where they are.

Date: Tuesday 12th December

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Location: RSPCA Education Centre, Burwood East

Cost: \$65 includes registration, morning tea, RSPCA career show bag, and all activity costs.

For more information and to download a registration form visit

<https://weteachme.com/rspcavictoria/1016624-animal-career-discovery-day>.

VCE 2018 Summer Schools



➤ Access Education Summer School

The **Access Education Summer School** program is a unique opportunity for students studying Units 3 & 4 to experience university life while preparing for the demands of the VCE year ahead. The format of the program is that extensive and detailed 3 ¼ hour VCE preparation lectures will be given, and subject specific study notes prepared by the lecturer will also be made available. The presenters have been chosen for their extensive knowledge, communication abilities and passion for their subject. Subjects on offer are *Biology, Business Management, Chemistry, English, Further Maths, Health & Human Development, Legal Studies, Maths Methods, Physical Education, Physics, and Psychology*.

Dates: Monday 22 – Thursday 25 January 2018

Venue: Monash University (Clayton Campus)

Visit [Access Summer School](#) to find out more or to download a brochure for this program.

➤ Neap VCE Summer School Program

Get a head start on your VCE! The aims of the **Neap Summer Lectures** are to give students a head start on topics and concepts from the Units 3/4 course for each subject, and to revise key concepts from Units 1 and 2 that form an essential base for each subject. There is also an emphasis on helping students understand each subject's assessment criteria. Strategies, problem-solving and exam techniques will also be a focus so that students can further develop these skills throughout the semester as they work towards their exams. Each student also receives comprehensive lecture notes. Subjects on offer include *Legal Studies, Specialist Maths, Psychology, English, Biology, Maths Methods CAS, Accounting, Chemistry, and Physics*.

Dates: Wednesday 10 – Saturday 20 January 2018

Venue: Victoria University (Flinders Street Campus)

Visit [NEAP Summer School](#) to find out more about the 2018 program.

➤ **The School for Excellence Summer School**

The School for Excellence (TSFX) Summer School offers a comprehensive summer school program preparation, each lecture will thoroughly address Unit 1 or 3 materials in advance of school, and expose students to critical analytical/problem solving strategies and skills so as to maximise Unit 1 or 3 scores.

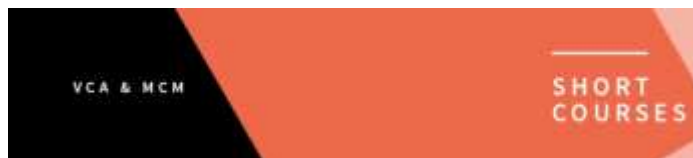
Students attending the programs receive detailed notes, fully worked examples and exercises to complete at home. The lectures are prepared and delivered by qualified, currently practising VCE teachers and markers from top ranking schools who possess the knowledge and experience to demonstrate the means by which students can achieve higher scores. Subjects on offer include *Accounting, Biology, Business Management, CAS Technology Applications, Chemistry, Economics, English, Further Mathematics, Health & Human Development, Legal Studies, Literature, Mathematical Methods, Physical Education, Physics, Psychology, and Specialist Mathematics*.

Dates: January 2018

Venue: University of Melbourne

Visit [**TSFX Summer School**](#) to find out more about the 2018 program.

Get your creative edge this summer



The University of Melbourne's VCA & MCM have a range of special treats available for you in the form of creative short courses to help you develop and push your artistic skills this Summer.

The Teenflix Summer School is for teenagers aged 13 - 18 and will have you undertake a series of intensive and practice filmmaking workshops. A great way to get experience in a range of film roles including: writer, director, actor, camera operator, boomswinger and grip and more.

Are you a budding artist? We have two ***Visual Art*** short courses to help you develop those important artistic fundamental skills, Painting and Drawing. Take your artistic passions into the professional realm by learning various techniques and processes within the painting and drawing specializations.

Our Youth Jazz Studio is actually a year-long short course which will give you practical experiences through guided performance practice and culminate in an end-of-year public performance.

View more by clicking the link below and make your summer count!

<http://vca.unimelb.edu.au/study/short-courses/film-and-television-teenflix-summer-school>



Australian Council for Educational Research

UMAT2018

Students commencing Year 12 in 2018, and planning to apply for any of the following university courses - [Courses requiring the UMAT](#) - are reminded that part of selection into these courses requires that students sit the **UMAT – Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admissions Test**. Students might like to browse [UMAT Preparation Strategy](#). Applications open early in December 2017.

For more information, and/or to apply visit [UMAT2018](#) or call (03) 8508 7643.



VCA Year Long Short Course: Acting Studio

Passionate about theatre? Looking to discover your hidden talents? Join VCA's Acting Studio and gain an accelerated introduction to acting and theatre.

This intensive, year-long part time course is modelled on VCA Theatre's **Bachelor of Fine Art (Acting)** and is designed to augment participants' creative potential and develop them as an actor. Students will gain valuable insights in Voice technique, Movement and physical presence, Solo and ensemble skills, Improvisation and impulse work, Devised performance, Approach to text, Scene analysis and character development, and Acting to camera.

Find out more at [Acting Studio 2018](#)



VICTORIA POLICE

Career in the Police Force

Being a police officer no ordinary job! In fact, it is rather an extraordinary career. People who want to be part of a dynamic organisation that is dedicated to making Victoria a safer place to work and live, and who is looking to make a difference every day of their working lives, might like to visit [Police Careers](#) and find out more about the range of careers, as well as the application requirements!

Students often enquire as to the **physical requirements** they need to enter the police force.

Watch a YouTube video at [YouTube](#) to find out more! Students keen on further YouTube videos regarding the Victoria Police, can watch them at [VPBlueTube](#)



ANU Melbourne Advisory Day

A reminder to students considering applying to study at the **Australian National University (ANU)** are invited to attend an **Advisory session** where students can have an opportunity to learn about courses offered at ANU, student accommodation, exchange programs, etc.

Date: Thursday 14 December 2017

Time: 10.00am – 2.00pm

Location: The State Library of Victoria, 328 Swanston Street in Melbourne

Find out more, and register at [ANU Melbourne Advisory Day](#)

School Holiday Workshops

Game Design, Film & Websites

Our exciting workshops will see students **designing for websites and apps, editing videos** using special effects and **creating their own VR games!**

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/designing-for-websites-and-apps-workshop-for-teens-melbourne-tickets-38795086147>



3-day Gaming Camp

Students will learn how to **manipulate their own characters, experience VR and create their very own game.** They'll learn from AIT's Game Design teacher **Tyson Butler-Boschma**, creator of Primordials:

Fireborn. <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/gaming-camp-tickets-38860138721>



School Holiday Tech Workshops: Coding, Electronics & Virtual Reality

**DECEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS (AGES 9+ OR 12+) -
\$70 + GST per Workshop**

A week full of coding, creating, smashing, designing and gaming. A variety of STEAM based activities will be running each day to suit a wide range of interests, you can pick and choose 2 activities per day. You will spend 3 hours per activity with breaks in between where you can explore our campus, ask questions, complete the scavenger hunt for prizes or chill out in the donut beanbags. Discounts for booking more than one day! Perfect for ages 6-12!



<https://coderacademy.edu.au/kids-coding-courses/december-school-holidays>



Useful Tips for Successful Interviews



Many candidates lose the job in the first minute of the interview by not thinking carefully about their initial impact. *John Lees* shares his expert interview tips.

1 Don't waste the opening moments

Many candidates lose the job in the first minute of the interview by not thinking carefully about their initial impact. Interviewers make a quick initial decision about your personality from the moment you arrive, based on how you look and sound. Dress as if you already work there and you've just been promoted. Make those initial seconds relaxed and upbeat as you can, even if you're just talking about your journey.

2 Don't over-deliver

Most candidates say too much. Interviewers are not that interested, and will usually accept a short, positive answer and move on. Practise compressing your evidence into good short stories no more than 3 minutes long setting out what problem you were handling, what you did, how you did it, and what the result was.

3 Don't act like a stranger

Leave your coat, umbrella and bag in reception. Just take in a slim folder into the interview room containing the documents you need, and you will look like an employee rather than a visitor.

4 Don't try to wing difficult questions

Don't duck predictable questions about your know-how and skill level – think carefully about good examples. Equally predictable questions cover things like strengths (talk about qualities that match the job) and weaknesses (talk about skills you are improving, and make it clear that you're a fast learner).

WHAT WILL THE WORKFORCE LOOK LIKE IN 2030?

The Foundation for Young Australians has released their latest report. It details how virtually every job in the world will be altered due to automation and globalisation by 2030.

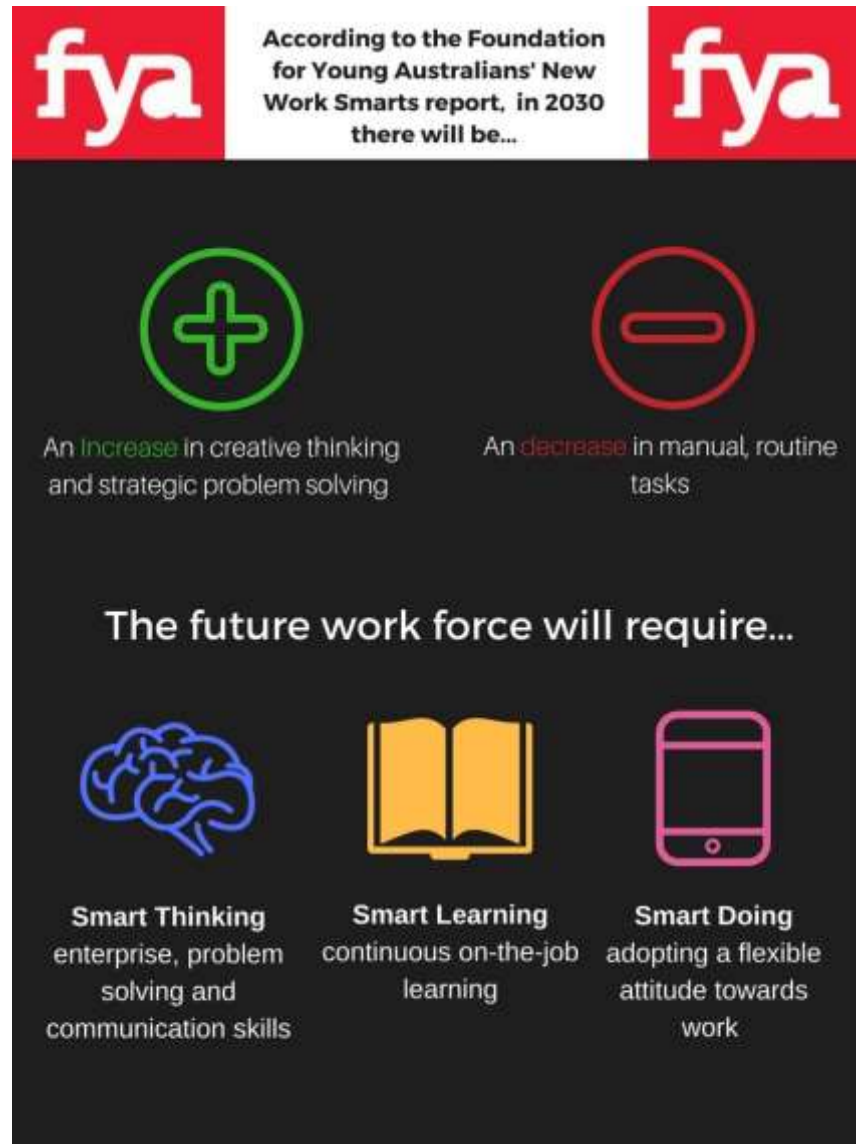
There are multiple elements that will lead to this shift. Firstly, a reduction in the need for workers to perform routine, manual tasks, will decrease demand for these types of employee. In contrast, the ability to think creatively and strategically solve problems will be highly-valued, as will interpersonal skills.

A major aspect of the report is centred on three concepts:

Smart learning — continuous on-the-job learning

Smart thinking — using enterprise, problem solving and communication skills

Smart doing — adopting a flexible attitude towards work and how tasks are accomplished.



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