

Reminders:

- **'INSIDE MONASH' UNIVERSITY SEMINARS** – Final seminars in the series: **Science** - August 24; **Teaching** - September 13; **Details and bookings:** www.monash.edu/inside-monash
- **YEAR 12 VICTORIAN TERTIARY ADMISSIONS CENTRE (VTAC)** applications are open; timely applications close **29 Sept** (see www.vtac.edu.au)
- **MONASH ART, DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE (MADA) WORKSHOPS** - 26 & 27 Sept, MADA (Caulfield campus) for Year 11 & 12's; **Bookings:** www.monash.edu/mada/workshops.

1. **REMAINING OPEN DAY DATES:**

- *Sun 14 Aug* – Australian Catholic University (Melbourne), La Trobe University (Bendigo); RMIT University; William Angliss Institute
- *Sun 21 Aug* – Box Hill (Lilydale campus); Deakin University (Waterfront & Waurn Ponds); University of Melbourne; Monash (Parkville – Pharmacy)
- *Sun 28 Aug* – ACU (Ballarat): Box Hill Institute (Box Hill); Deakin University (Burwood); Federation University; Victoria University (Footscray campus)

2. **YEAR 10 AND 11 NEWS** – For students in Year 10 who will enter VCE next year and for Year 11 students considering subjects for

2017, go to www.vtac.edu.au and then find **Explore Course Options** under the heading **Search for Courses**. You will be able to **enter an entire proposed VCE program and discover what tertiary courses are available to you**

(ie courses for which you have the prerequisite VCE subjects) or find out **whether you need a particular VCE subject** for a course you are considering. **ALL YEAR 10 and 11 students are advised to use this EXCELLENT facility.**



3. **NEW SELECTION TEST INTO TEACHING COURSES**

The Commonwealth Government now requires **all students undertaking Initial Teacher Education courses** in Australia to **pass a literacy and numeracy test** in order to obtain their degree. These tests will **ensure all new teachers have the literacy and numeracy skills required to meet the demands of teaching**. **Information and sample questions:** www.studentsfirst.gov.au/teacher-quality.

4. **CAREERS IN PSYCHOLOGY SEMINAR** –

Interested in **studying psychology at university**? Would you like to find out about **specialist areas of psychology**? Each year the Student Committee of the Australian Psychological Society (APS) runs a **careers seminar for aspiring psychologists**. This is an opportunity for you to get your questions answered. **When:** 6.00-9.00pm, Wed 24 August; **Where:** Cathedral Hall, Australian Catholic University (ACU), 20 Brunswick St, Fitzroy. **For more information and to register your attendance:** www.psychology.org.au/Events/EventView.aspx?ID=16940.



When: 6.00-9.00pm, Wed 24 August; **Where:** Cathedral Hall, Australian Catholic University (ACU), 20 Brunswick St, Fitzroy. **For more information and to register your attendance:** www.psychology.org.au/Events/EventView.aspx?ID=16940.

5. **LOTS OF YEAR 12 NEWS** -

REMINDER: applications for courses for 2017 are open on the VTAC website. You will need your **VCAA student number** to create an account, the first step in the application process. **Timely applications close on 29 September** (cost \$32.00). Late applications cost \$100.00. **Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) applications** are also open and can be completed after a VTAC course application (**close 4 October**). **Scholarship applications through VTAC close on 14 October**. You can change your VTAC course application as much as you wish at no extra charge.

• **UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS FOR YEAR 12's**

➤ **HOW CAN I ACCESS THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE?** Students from a **rural or isolated area** or who have a **disadvantaged financial background** could be eligible for a **guaranteed place at Melbourne** by applying through **ACCESS MELBOURNE** – even if your ATAR is below the Clearly-in Rank. **Eligibility checklist:**



✚ student must have **completed an Australian Year 12 (or IB) in 2016**

✚ student is eligible for consideration in **one or both of the categories** 'disadvantaged financial background' and 'from a rural or isolated area'

✚ the student satisfies the **prerequisite subjects** for their chosen course

✚ **achieved an ATAR** or notional ATAR of 78 or more for **Design** or **Science**, 80 or more for **Arts**, 88 or more for **Commerce** and 95 or more for **Biomedicine**. **See:**

https://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/admissions/access_melbourne_and_equity_programs

➤ **DO YOU HAVE AN AUDITION COMING UP?** The **Victorian College of the Arts (VCA)**



and the **Melbourne Conservatorium of Music (MCM)** offer **Audition Preparation Workshops** that will break down the audition process and equip you with

information needed to succeed. These are practical sessions designed to provide you with the **techniques and confidence** to present yourself in the best light. Workshops are **one or two day intensives** and **registrations are now open**. Available in: dance, jazz improvisation, music theatre and theatre. Go to: [BOOK NOW](#)

● **MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS -**

➤ **WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THE BERWICK CAMPUS OF MONASH?** Monash has announced that it is **closing** its campus at Berwick. The **good news** is that **it will taken over by Federation University** (pending government approvals). **Federation University** is a **combination** of the former **University of Ballarat** and the former **Gippsland campus of Monash University** at Churchill. Federation University will offer 15 degree programs at Berwick in 2017 in the fields of **business, education, nursing, IT and science**. **NOTE:** Monash students enrolled at Berwick will **continue to be taught by Monash staff** and, subject to meeting the normal requirements, will **graduate with a Monash degree**. Some Monash students may remain at Berwick in 2017, while others will transfer to Peninsula and Clayton campuses to complete their courses.

➤ **MONASH GUARANTEE NEW CATEGORY –**

As mentioned previously, Monash University offers **guaranteed places in certain circumstances** relating to where your school is located and to your financial circumstances. You will now be eligible for a guaranteed place at Monash if:



- ✚ you live in a **low socio-economic area** or
- ✚ your school is a **Monash under-represented school** or
- ✚ you have **experienced financial disadvantage** or
- ✚ you are an **Indigenous Australian**.

You can enter your address into the Monash online calculator to find out if you qualify. See: www.study.monash/how-to-apply/entry-schemes/the-monash-guarantee.

➤ **MONASH SCHOLARSHIPS** – With Monash scholarship programs, students can access a range of services and financial assistance.

✚ **Merit scholarships** are awarded based on **academic achievement** and have both **financial and academic benefits**.



There is **no application requirement** as it is granted on the ATAR achieved, however, students must have **Monash listed** as at least one VTAC preference to be considered.

✚ **Equity scholarships** are intended for those who identify as **Indigenous Australian or Torres Strait Islander**, or are currently experiencing **financial hardship or disadvantage**. Students must **submit an application for equity scholarships through VTAC**, along with the necessary **supporting documentation**. Applications close on 14 October. See: www.vtac.edu.au/scholarships. For a comprehensive list and details: www.monash.edu.au/scholarships.

➤ **MONASH PATHWAYS** – Pathway courses allow students who **may not reach the required ATAR or meet prerequisites**, to **gain entry into Monash**.



The **Diploma of Tertiary Studies (DoTS)** and the **Diploma of Higher Education (DoHE)** are both equivalent to the first

year of a university undergraduate degree and allow students to transition to the second year of their destination degree. Apply through VTAC. In addition, you must submit a Monash University Supplementary Information Form by 31 December.

● **LA TROBE UNIVERSITY'S HALLMARK PROGRAM**

- Due to recent changes made to the hallmark program, **individual hallmark courses will no longer be made available through the VTAC system**. The hallmark program is now exclusive to students who receive the **Vice Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship**. Students who have studied their first year at La Trobe who achieve at least a 75% Weighted Average Mark (WAM) also have the **opportunity to apply for the hallmark program** to commence in their second year of study. **For more information see:** www.latrobe.edu.au/hallmark.

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