Term 3 - FOCUS on CAREERS

✔ 2015 UAC Apply Now
Tue 30th September: Last day for domestic undergraduate students to apply and pay to avoid progressive increases to processing charges.
Thu 18th December: ATARs released on UAC’s website.
Wed 7th January: Last day to change preferences in time for Main Round offers.
Wed 21st January: Main round offers released. [http://www.uac.edu.au/]

✔ IF interested - 2015 Undergraduate App - provides an Australia-wide listing of undergraduate degrees and 2014 entry scores by 127 subject areas. It costs $4.99 and is available from the itunes store now.

► Any questions to Kim Thomas and Celia Bazalar

UNIVERSITY NEWS

LATEST INFORMATION IN:
ANU Guaranteed ATAR Cut-offs for UAC Main Round Offers 2015
The Guaranteed ATAR Cut-offs apply to Offers made in the UAC Domestic Main Round only (January 21). By setting their guaranteed ATAR Cut-offs early, prospective students will be able to identify which programs they’re eligible to receive an Offer for as soon as they get their results. [http://students.anu.edu.au/applications/GuaranteedCut-Offs-UACMainRound2015.pdf]

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✔ ANU Campus Tours - ANU runs one hour tours throughout the year, where an ANU student will provide first-hand information about their experiences at University and showcase the University’s facilities. Tours are held Monday to Friday from 10am to 5pm, and require a minimum of three working days’ notice. [http://students.anu.edu.au/events/campustours.php]

✔ ANU – new Fenner School of Environment & Society → offers degrees in 16 subject areas – see Career News No 8 for details

✔ UNIVERSITY of CANBERRA – new Bachelor of Sports Media

✔ AUST CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY
  o Early Achievers’ Program – ask in Careers for this info – some changes to the application process
  o ACU Bright Futures Program
    For those doing an accredited package - and who will not receive an ATAR – you can access tertiary study.
  o Campus Dean’s Partnership Program
    For students who are yet to realise their full academic potential – see website for details
  o CSU Single Subject Study Option - for students unsure about a degree and want a ‘taster’ without committing to a full degree → [http://www.csu.edu.au/oncampus/study-options/single-subject-study]
  o CSU Diploma of General Studies Pathway Option - Students who don’t meet the entry requirements or require further preparation for university level study
  o Subject Bonus Points at ACU - up to five bonus points if performed well in specific year 12 subjects relevant to course applied for. To view courses & subject bonuses: [http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/alternate_entry/accessacu]

✔ Charles Sturt University Principal’s Report Entry Program
This program is an early entry program offered to academically talented students from high schools and TAFEs in NSW, ACT and non-metropolitan Victoria.

✔ FLINDERS Uni – 2015 Course info on courses such as Nursing – Midwifery – Psychology – Health – Environment + 8 other areas
Uni of TASMANIA – 2015 course guide now outside Careers

MONASH Uni. 2015 course guides – including Pharmacy, Medicine, Law, Engineering and others

SYDNEY Uni - Why Arts and Science are Better Together, Have you thought about combining an arts and science degree?  
Diploma in Law is being offered.

University of New England & University of Sydney Alternative Entry Pathway  
- this relies on a balanced assessment of your ability to cope with study at university, rather than your ATAR.  
Students will begin studying at University of New England, before transitioning to University of Sydney in their 2nd year of study.  
http://www.une.edu.au/study/study-options/landing/alternative-entry-pathway

LATROBE UNIVERSITY – new course guide for 2015 – check out the Aspire Early Admissions Program online
OPEN DAY 2014 take place throughout the month of August

MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY – Open Day – 13 September – see poster outside Careers

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY – New 2015 course info for all students including international students has arrived

NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY  
o Year 12 Bonus Points for high achievement in certain HSC subjects.  
o New Five-Year Medical Degree in 2015  
o Where Will an Arts Degree Take You?  
http://www.newcastle.edu.au/newsroom/future-students/where-will-an-arts-degree-take-you  
o Check out the courses available at  
o Prepare for University Online Resources -  
http://www.newcastle.edu.au/students/prepare-for-uni/

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY SYDNEY (UTS) 2015 Course Guides 2015 course guides now available online.  
o New Degrees on Offer in 2014 – Bachelor of Creative Intelligence and Innovation, a Bachelor of Arts in Communication (Digital and Social Media), and a Bachelor of Design in Landscape.  

UNSW – OPEN DAY 2014, Saturday, 6 September, 9am – 4pm, Kensington campus. UNSW have a number of new degrees available that have been added after the publication of the 2015 Experience UNSW guide and the 2015 UAC guide.
  o Bachelor of Medicinal Chemistry/Bachelor of Laws  
o Bachelor of Music (Honours)/Bachelor of Laws  
o Bachelor of Commerce / Bachelor of Design (Honours)  
o Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Fine Arts  
o Bachelor of Science (Advanced Science) / Bachelor of Fine Arts  
o Bachelor of Science (Advanced Mathematics) / Bachelor Science (Computer Science)  
o Bachelor of Science (Advanced Science) / Bachelor Science (Computer Science)  
o Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science (Advanced Science)  

On-Campus Accommodation at Warrane College UNSW for 2015. Check out the website:  
www.warrane.unsw.edu.au

University of Wollongong
Management Cadet, Human Resources Division – Fixed Term (5 Year, Part Time) Appointment. Aimed at Yr 12 school leavers. More info:  

Connect: Women in Engineering Summit – Monday 12 to Friday 16 January 2015. Summit fee of $165 covers your meals, accommodation and activities.

University of Western Sydney: Badanami Alternative entry Program for Indigenous students
Students who have an ATAR score lower than required for their desired course can apply to study through this program. Contact 1300 897 669 or study@UWS/edu.au; http://uws.edu.au/badanami/badanami_centre_for_indigenous_education/future_students/badanami_alternative_entry

SCHOLARSHIPS

St Andrew's College is offering Scholarships, grants and prizes to students for 2015. St Andrews is a co-residential academic community within the University of Sydney. Scholarships provide financial support of $25,000 per annum. They are seeking young people with the capacity and commitment to realise their potential to become leaders in the university, the nation and the world. More info is available on the website: www.standrewscollege.edu.au

The Australian Veterans’ Children Assistance Trust (AVCAT) 2015 Scholarships Applications NOW Open until 31 October 2014. Scholarships are generally paid for three years and are between $3000 and $4,000 per year. More info: http://www.avcat.org.au/

Public Education Foundation Scholarships
Applications close Fri 3rd October
The scholarships are available to students from disadvantaged backgrounds to cover the extra cost of schooling with some scholarships available for hard working students to extend their talents and pursue their aspirations. To view the scholarships, visit: http://www.publiceducationfoundation.org.au/

Teachers Mutual Bank: Future Teacher Scholarships
Applications open September 2014
Teachers Mutual Bank offers $4,000 in financial assistance to university students studying to become teachers. Up to 20 runner-ups will be given $250 each. http://www.tmbank.com.au/

Working at the ABC
A host of opportunities are available for students interested in gaining work experience within the media broadcasting sector through the ABC. Cadetships, Scholarships and Work Experience places are on offer and all applications can be made online. http://www.abc.net.au/careers/cadetshipsandworkexperience/

UNSW co-op scholarship program → online applications close 30 Sept 2014 - see careers for details

University of Sydney Scholarships Information Evening - for current year 11 and 12 students - learn about the many scholarships available at the University of Sydney. http://sydney.edu.au/future-students/career-advisers/events/

My Future: New Scholarships Listing
During August, myfuture has added 117 new scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate study at university. To view scholarships, visit: http://www.myfuture.edu.au/tools-and-resources/study-or-training-options/scholarshipsearch

DEFENCE

Canberra Defence Force Recruitment Information Sessions – August/September 2014
ADFA information session - Tuesday 9th September – 6 pm
Army Reserve Information Session - Tuesday 16th September- 6pm
All information sessions: Defence Force Recruiting Office, Level2, 64 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra.
Talk to Careers Teacher to book a seat at one of the sessions alternatively you can email contact@dfc.com.au
To stay updated on upcoming information sessions don’t forget to LIKE Defence jobs on Facebook

Defence Force University Sponsorship
The Defence University Sponsorship allows students to study an accredited degree at any Australian university and graduate with a career in the Navy, Army or Air Force. http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/universitysponsorship/
Australian Defence Force One Year Roles
Experience what it's like to work in the Army for a year during your Gap Year.
Contact: 13 19 01 and/or http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/army/oneyearroles/

Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA)
is a unique university where you’ll get paid a salary ($39,525) to study a degree from the University of New South Wales (UNSW). You’ll also undertake military leadership training and learn to become an officer in Australia’s Navy, Army or Air Force. In addition to the salary all tuition fees are covered.
*** Applying for ADFA is a dual application process that can take up to 12 months, so if you’re interested it would be best to get started now. For more info: http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/adfa/howToApply/applicationProcess.aspx

CADETSHIPS - TRAINEESHIPS

→Australian Government Cadetships, Scholarships and Work Experience Opportunities

→BlueScope Steel Cadetships
In 2015 BlueScope Steel are offering cadetships in Engineering, Chemistry, IT and more. These cadetships are based in the Illawarra region. Registrations of interest are now being accepted and applications will open on the 1st of July. http://cadets.bluescopesteel.com/index.cfm?objectid=6217C78E-92C5-ADFC-BBA3372576650524

→Master Builders Group Training is now recruiting Apprentices for the following trades: Bricklaying – carpentry – Civil Construction- Painting and Decorating – Plastering – Plumbing Access info on http://www.mba.org.au/training/apprenticeships/

→ Become a Bricklayer My Future Freedoms - currently a shortage of bricklayers, resulting in very good employment and apprenticeship opportunities. This website outlines different pathways to becoming a bricklayer and explores the career prospects available to bricklayers. http://www.becomeabricklayer.com.au/


→Housing Industry Association Australian Apprenticeships Centre
The HIA Australian Apprenticeships Centre operates across all industries in the ACT region and has over 500 different apprenticeship and traineeship vocations on offer. They can assist in placing people in apprenticeships and providing support, benefits and incentives for apprentices. Contact: 1300 656 726 or aac@hia.com.au http://hia.com.au/aac/

Australian Apprenticeships Pathways Practice Aptitude Quizzes
→ show the expected level of literacy, numeracy and comprehension that people attempting an apprenticeship in a particular field should have. http://www.aapathways.com.au/Career-Resources/Practice-Aptitude-Quizzes

Komatsu Apprenticeship Development Program
Applications close Thursday 18th September. Komatsu is a global leader in the manufacture of earthmoving machinery with over 40,000 employees worldwide. They are seeking students completing years 10, 11 or 12 to join them as apprentice Mobile Plant Technicians. To apply, search for apprenticeships online: http://www.komatsu.com.au/AboutKomatsu/Careers/Pages/Job-Search.aspx

COMPETITIONS & AWARDS


NCPIC Short Film Competition
Entries close Friday 3rd October. The National Cannabis Prevention and Information Centre are inviting Australians aged between 15 and 25 years to submit short films in the style of a public service announcement that conveys the theme: Cannabis IS NOT legal in Australia. Winners will share in $9,000 in cash prizes.
Visit the NCPIC website for more information and entry forms:

Poetica Christi Press Annual Poetry Competition
Competition closes Tuesday 30th September. Aspiring writers over the age of 16 can enter this poetry competition. Poems should reflect the theme of ‘Inner Child’ and be no longer than 50 lines. First prize is $300, Second prize is $100.

Science & Engineering Photo Competition
Entries close Tuesday 30th September. High School Students are invited to submit photos that fit into the categories of “Everyday Science” or “Everyday Engineering”. The winning photographer in each category will win $500 in cash prizes.
http://www.science.unsw.edu.au/photocomp

Gapyear.com
A website providing opportunities and advice for students interested in taking a gap year.
http://www.gapyear.com/

Antipodeans Abroad are running a series of Gapbreak meetings to help match candidates with volunteer projects, jobs and destinations. To book and application meeting and secure a GapBreak for 2015, students need to Email vara@antipodeans.com.au or Call 1800 502014

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand: Information Sessions - Thu 11th September, 7:30pm

Gap Medics Program 2015
Gap Medics presents the opportunity for prospective medicine students to take part in a two week placement at a real life hospital in either Tanzania or Thailand to see if a career in healthcare is for them. The program involves at least 23 hours of shadowing a week supported by healthcare professionals.

Projects Abroad High School Projects - destinations and dates announced for 2014
The High School Projects are a jam-packed two week group trip with students from all over Australia, New Zealand and around the globe. Students in year 10 and 11 (11 & 12 in NZ) - typically aged 16 and 17 - can choose to join the groups individually or with friends. The volunteer trips will run this summer from December 7th to the 20th in Cambodia, Fiji, Sri Lanka and two in Nepal – a Medicine & Healthcare Project and the other, Care & Community. Check out the website if interested. Phone: 1300 132 831 OR Email: info@projects-abroad.com.au


Rotary Youth Exchange
→ opportunities for more than 8000 students to spend anywhere from a few weeks, to a full year, as an international student hosted by local Rotary clubs - exchange is available for people aged 15 – 19 with applications required 6 – 12 months before potential departure date. https://www.rotary.org/en/youth-exchanges

Go Overseas - is a website that allows you to find and compare overseas programs - http://www.gooverseas.com/

Information just in:
 ✓ AIE Information Evening
Wed 17th September, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, Sydney and Canberra campuses
Teachers will be conducting seminars covering the range of courses on offer, as well as taking applications in 3D animation, game programming and game design.

✓ College of Event Management Information Session
Fri 12th September, 6.30pm, Level 9, 28 Foveaux Street Surry Hills
Speak to lecturers and staff to learn about the course and exciting career opportunities available upon graduation. Contact: 1300 725 846 or mailto:enquiries@coem.edu.au
http://collegeofeventmanagement.com.au/campus/information-sessions

✓ The Mask Academy - Government Funding Now Available
The NSW Government, in partnership with the Commonwealth Government has provided the Mask Academy with funding for the Diploma of Beauty Therapy. Contact: 1300 5101 520 or http://www.maskacademy.com.au/blog/2014/02/21/government-funding-diploma-beauty-therapy/

✓ Actors College of Theatre and Television Open Day
Sat 27th September, 41 Holt Street, Surry Hills
Learn about the study options available at Actors College of Theatre and Television. Contact: 9213 4500 or info@actt.edu.au
http://www.actt.edu.au/events/open-day-registration-form/

✓ Studying Online at the Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE)
This video discusses online study at the Academy of Interactive Entertainment
To view the video, visit: http://vimeo.com/66780987

✓ A Career as a Veterinarian
This website gives an overview of the career of the veterinarian and the salary range that a new graduate might expect. The site also provides a list of Australian universities that facilitate the Bachelor of Veterinary Science. http://essendonvet.com.au/career-veterinarian

✓ Raffles College of Design and Commerce Open Day
Sat 6th September, 99 Mount Street, North Sydney
Raffles’ Open Day - talks and displays across the design as well as live photo shoots from current students. Parent and student info session - 12 noon - opportunity to learn more about design, visual communication and commerce courses - http://www.raffles.edu.au/openday

✓ AFTRS – Australian Film Television Radio School – in 2015 it will offer a new three-year Bachelor of Screen Arts which will be one of the most in-depth and creatively comprehensive screen degrees on offer anywhere in the world. AFTRS is also offering ALL NEW entry-level Diplomas & Advanced Diplomas and two new Introductory Courses. The AFTRS 2014 Open Day will be held on September 6.

✓ Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School Discovery Days
Tue 7th October – Thu 9th October
Tue 25th November – Thu 27th November
Discover what a career in hospitality is like by attending classes and living with students as part of a three day residential program. http://www.bluemountains.edu.au/apply/discovery-days/

✓ Graduate Careers Australia Salary Report 2013
Graduate Careers Australia has completed their 2013 annual report of recent higher education graduates salaries. The report reveals the median start up salary for a number of bachelor degrees and disciplines.
To view the report visit:

✓ Skills One TV
Skills one is a video platform with over 1500 short video stories about getting a trade or skill. Videos are intended for career counselors, parents and students. Check it out by visiting the website:
Sydney Dance Holiday Workshops
Bookings are open for spring school holidays
Each School Holidays, Sydney Dance offer classes in a variety of dance styles to students aged from 8 – 18 years, taught by leading industry professionals.

http://www.sydneydancecompany.com/classes-and-courses/holiday-workshops/#.U_1s0MWSy8A

The Truth About Trades: Apprenticeships Versus University Degrees
This article explores the benefits of obtaining a trade compared to getting a university degree.

Australian Institute of Music Learn about their unique music, entertainment management & dramatic arts degree & diploma courses, as well as AIM High School, Open AIM short courses & Young AIM music courses.
http://www.aim.edu.au/events/2014/open-day


Carer Career Quiz
An online quiz for those considering a career in the carer industry. The quiz takes a few minutes to answer and will provide a clear picture of where you could best fit into a career in disability or community care.

Student Edge Career Profiles
Ever wanted to know what it’s really like to be a police officer? Engineer? Hairdresser? Check out a day in the life of a whole range of careers at Student Edge. These are real people with real stories.

UAC Schools Recommendation Scheme
Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) enables schools to recommend current Year 12 students who are UAC applicants, for early offers of undergraduate admission. The aim of SRS is to help Year 12 students gain access to higher education, some of whom might otherwise not be offered a place.
SRS, which will be operational for 2015 admissions onwards, aims to centralise the early admissions process. It allows for a simple single online application, rather than institution specific applications. As a result, students who wish to apply for early entry into multiple institutions will only have to complete one application.
http://www.uac.edu.au/srs/

Virtual Careers Expo
Become a member for free and gain access to virtual expo where you can explore and discover possible careers and education and training providers. http://www.virtualcareersexpo.com/

Are you planning to do work experience this semester in week 18 – START PLANNING NOW!

Working at the ABC
A host of opportunities are available for students interested in gaining work experience within the media broadcasting sector through the ABC.
Cadetships, Scholarships and Work Experience places are on offer and all applications can be made online.
http://www.abc.net.au/careers/cadetshipsandworkexperience/

DEFENCE FORCE WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
Placements around Australia for high school students are now advertised, open applications are available online.

There are lots of OPEN Days happening interstate – come and ask in Careers for more information if interested
**AIE Work Experience Program** - Places fill up fast, students need to apply early to ensure they don't miss out.

**www.aie.edu.au/workexperience** - ONLY Semester 2 placements left!

Please see Carmel Lacey for all work experience enquiries.

### TAX FILE NUMBER

**TAX FILE NUMBER (TFN): You can apply for a TFN at the Careers Office.**

We will give you a form that you fill out and return to us. The Tax Office will send your TFN directly to your home address. **It is not compulsory to have a TFN but it is to your advantage to have one.** If you do not have one, you may pay more tax than necessary or you may not be able to get government benefits that you would otherwise be entitled to receive, such as Youth Allowance, or the choice of deferring HECS debt. **It takes at least a month for your TFN to arrive.**

### RESOURCES

**Charles Darwin University: NextLife Finder - Career & Resume Builder**

The NextLife Finder is a short and free online questionnaire that provides you with a detailed personality profile report and also matches you with careers and courses. It takes about 15 minutes and asks you questions about your personality; likes and dislikes. Find it here ➔ [http://ask.cdu.edu.au/ci/documents/detail/2/finder-library](http://ask.cdu.edu.au/ci/documents/detail/2/finder-library)

**A USEFUL RESOURCE - The Northern Sydney Institute Career Guides 2014/2015**

The Northern Sydney Institute’s Career Guides provide industry specific insights, course information and career pathways with possible employment outcomes at each qualification level.


**One Shift Jobs** - Website containing a job search specialising in casual or part-time jobs - [https://oneshift.com.au/](https://oneshift.com.au/)

**The First Steps** – looking for a job – find out how to write an attractive resume or cover letter and provides strategies to ensure a successful job interview. [http://www.job-first-steps.net/index.html](http://www.job-first-steps.net/index.html)


**My Future: My Career Profile Tool**

My Career Profile Tool is a career exploration tool that features a variety of activities, such as Interest, Skills and Knowledge. The system takes the answers that users input and generates suggested occupations based on that data.


**Character Strengths Challenge**

Character strengths are traits that come through in our thoughts, feelings and behaviours. You can complete an online questionnaire that will identify your character strengths.

[https://www.viame.org/survey/Account/Register](https://www.viame.org/survey/Account/Register)

**Youth Central Career Information**

Learn about what careers in a variety of industries are like.

This site lists a number of jobs within:
- Agriculture
- Automotive
- Defence
- Finance
- Manufacturing
- IT & more


**MoneySmart Rookie Campaign**

Learn more about managing your money, moving out of home, studying, budgeting, credit cards, debt and more.


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