RSPCA Short Courses

RSPCA Short Courses are designed to develop new skills for people dealing with animals; providing valuable access to industry experts and utilising quality resources and trainers. Programs are tailored for those wanting to enter the animal industry or already working within this field, as well as allowing participants to increase their skills with their own pets. More information about each program is at RSPCA Short Courses.

The RSPCA also offers a number of programs for students aged 15 – 18 years who are considering working in the animal industry or simply have a love of animals, and these programs run during school holidays. There is an upcoming Vet for a Day program that might interest some students.

Date:  Tuesday 7 April 2015
Time:   9.30am – 3.00pm
Find out more at Youth Holiday Program.

Swinburne University’s Design Factory

Swinburne Design Factory is part of the Global Design Factory Network – a global network of universities offering innovative education, research and partnerships. This network brings together students, industry and researchers to co-create for extraordinary results. The aim is to turn ideas into reality.

The projects offer students new and unique experiences, challenging team members to move outside of their comfort zone in order to create innovation and new thinking. Over the course of a project, students gain valuable skills that can set them apart in the employment market, assisting with competencies such as:

• interdisciplinary team work
• communication and collaboration
• project management
• creative problem solving
• client interaction

The Global Design Factory Network includes:

• Aalto Design Factory at Aalto University, Helsinki, Finland
• Aalto-Tongji Design Factory, at Tongji University in Shanghai, China
• Duoc Design Factory at Duoc UC, Santiago, Chile

Find out more about the Design Factory at Design Factory.

Work Experience Program 2015

The Work Experience Program at Eastern Health provides students with an opportunity to gain insight into the health care industry. The program is offered to students undertaking Years 10-12. Students participating in the program are given an opportunity to spend one week working within available departments to observe and participate in the daily activities of those departments.

The departments that may have placements available for the Work Experience program in 2015 include:-

• Nursing
• Doctors
• Physiotherapy
• Pharmacy
• Pathology
• Biomedical Engineering
• Medical Imaging/Radiology
• Administration
• Human Resources
Eastern Health is able to offer placements at the following major sites:

- Maroondah Hospital
- Angliss Hospital
- Box Hill Hospital
- Wantirna Health/Peter James Centre

The formal application process involves completing an online application form. The online process allows students to have a greater understanding of the process involved when job seekers apply for positions within a hospital. Students must please include their résumé and a cover letter. In the cover letter, please include:

- The department you would like to complete your work experience placement
- How you think it will assist you in choosing your further career
- Dates of your placement

Applications for 2015 Work Experience placements close on Tuesday 31 March 2015. Visit Eastern Health Work Experience to find out more and/or apply!

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**2015 Young Carers Scholarship Program**

Carers Victoria is offering scholarships of up to $250 to secondary school students in Victoria who provide care and support to a family member with an illness or disability.

Over 105,000 young people in Victoria are believed to have significant care responsibilities. They may support their mother, father, sister or brother at home because of a disability or illness. Many are at risk of dropping out of school, or have difficulty establishing social networks and participating in activities that their peers enjoy.

Any student who feels they might be eligible to apply for this scholarship should visit Young Carer Scholarship to access the application form from Monday 23 March 2015 when the program commences.

Students are reminded that applications close Friday 24 April 2015.

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**Profiling the CAPSTONE Program at Swinburne**

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Capstone units are available in the following degrees –

- Business
- Information & Communication Technologies
- Journalism and Media
- Design

Find out more by clicking on Capstone Program.
### Careers in Criminology

Many students consider a career in the legal industry yet only know of a lawyer or judge. Many have heard of, but do not know, what a criminologist does.

According to the Job Guide, criminologists examine the systems by which people accused of crimes are brought to justice, attempt to explain the reasons for criminal behaviour and suggest ways crime might be reduced.

Criminologists may perform the following tasks:
- study the ways certain criminal justice agencies operate including the law courts, police services, prisons and community-based correction centres
- provide information about crime and the ways in which people are processed by the criminal justice system
- compile crime statistics and develop ways in which crime solving resources can be best used

Criminologists may specialise in organisational research, victimology, corporate crime, adult corrections and/or juvenile justice. They may work in the legal field, which tries to make sure that laws keep up with changes in society. They may also work in the social/psychological fields, which study the effects of the criminal justice system or the factors which contribute to offending behaviour by individuals.

**So, what type of person becomes a criminologist?**

- Someone who has analytical ability
- Someone with personal integrity
- Someone interested in welfare and human behaviour
- Someone interested in working with disadvantaged groups

### Victorian Universities offering criminology at their Melbourne campuses include:

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Visit [Australian Institute of Criminology](https://www.aic.org.au) to find out more.
Comprehensive Courses vs. Specialist Courses

Deciding on a course is so much more than choosing a discipline to study! Students have to weigh up considerations such as where to study, as well as how to study. The question of how to study can be particularly complex, as it depends on whether the student wants to keep their options open, or is ready to commit to a specialised area for the entirety of their degree.

Monash has grouped their courses into two ways of studying: Monash comprehensive courses, and Monash specialist courses.

Monash comprehensive courses are suitable for students who:

• Want to keep their study and graduate options open
• See university as an opportunity to try new things
• Need some time to discover and define their interests

Comprehensive courses offer a wide range of majors within a field, and students can start their course knowing what they want to major in, or spend up to a year figuring it out. Another benefit of comprehensive courses is that they all contain elective units that can be studied either within or outside of their chosen field (i.e. from a different faculty).

Monash comprehensive courses are: Bachelor degrees in Arts, Business, Commerce, Information Technology, and Science.

Monash specialist courses are most appropriate for students who:

• Are confident about what they want to study
• Know what they want to “be” upon graduation

Specialist courses allow students to study their chosen discipline from day one. Upon completion, many of these courses will provide students with the accreditation they require for professional practice.

Monash Specialist courses include: Bachelor degrees in Engineering, Teaching, Nursing, Law and Medicine.

Double degrees

Double degrees should be considered for students that:

• Have a diverse range of interests and don’t want to give anything up
• Are time conscious – want to qualify in two separate disciplines in the shortest period of time
• Want to double their vocational opportunities upon graduation

Double degrees allow students to study for two degrees at the same time. The double degree offerings span the comprehensive and specialist courses; degrees can comprise of two comprehensive courses, two specialist courses, or one comprehensive and one specialist course.

For further information about Monash comprehensive and specialist courses, watch this YouTube video - Monash Comprehensive & Monash Specialist

New Bachelor of Health Science

The Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences has a suite of specialist courses that allow students to start their destination area of study from day one of university. As part of this suite, Monash is now offering the new Bachelor of Health Sciences degree (3 years), which allows students to specialise in one of the following four areas:

• Public Health
• Human Services
• Emergency Health and Paramedic Practice
• Radiation Sciences

This degree will provide the opportunity for inter-professional education, and students may be able to change their specialisation (as listed above) after the first year. Students who complete the Bachelor of Health Sciences will then be eligible for a range of Masters by Coursework degrees no longer than 1.5 years in length, including the Master of Public Health, and Master of Medical Radiations (Radiation Therapy).

For further information about the new Bachelor of Health Sciences, students are encouraged to attend the ‘At Monash’ Health Science seminar on
Respect Aspiration Contribution

Tuesday 19 May at Monash Clayton. Registrations are essential at [At Monash Seminar Series](#).

**Education – Double the Choice!**
The Bachelor of Education (Honours) prepares students for a rewarding and successful career in teaching. Students can focus their studies in early childhood, primary or secondary education or even a combination of these. Further, an Education degree can be studied as a double degree with another area of interest.

**Bachelor of Education (Honours) in Primary Education (available as a single or double degree)**
The Primary Education specialisation will qualify students to teach primary school children from five to twelve years of age. The career opportunities provided by an education degree specialising in Primary Education can be further enhanced by studying it concurrently with a second degree. Double degrees are available with Arts, Business, Commerce, Computer Science, Fine Art, Information Technology, Music or Science.

**Bachelor of Education (Honours) in Secondary Education (must be taken as a double degree)**
The Secondary Education specialisation will qualify students to teach at secondary school level in two curriculum areas. It is studied as a double degree, and the choice of partner degree will determine which two subjects a student can teach in secondary schools. For example, a student who had an interest in teaching Biology and Chemistry would choose the Bachelor of Education (Honours)/Bachelor of Science double degree. Double degrees are available with Arts, Business, Commerce, Computer Science, Fine Art, Information Technology, Music or Science.

For further information about the Bachelor of Education (Honours), please refer to the Faculty of Education website at [Monash Education](#).

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**Guaranteed Entry - New for 2016**

The University of New South Wales (UNSW) is introducing a Guaranteed Entry Scheme for 2016 admission to UNSW. Simply put, Guaranteed Entry allows students to know what ATAR will guarantee them a place in a particular degree at UNSW.

Students can click on the link below that to a booklet that lists those ATARs as well as addressing some frequently asked questions that will provide students with more details on what is involved, and how these ATARs have been calculated.

Click on [Guaranteed Entry](#) and read through the useful FAQs at the end of the booklet!

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**Experience La Trobe University**

Experience La Trobe is designed especially for Year 10, 11 and 12 students and their parents to get a taste of what it is like to be a university student for a day and get the inside scoop on what really happens after high school.

Students may participate in workshops of their choice, find out about student life and also check out the Melbourne campus, including student accommodation.

University students and staff will be there to help participants out and answer any questions that might arise. Experience La Trobe is a free event - with lunch and entertainment provided!

**Date:** Friday 9 April 2015  
**Time:** 9.30am – 4.30pm  
**Venue:** Melbourne Campus  

To register, visit [Experience La Trobe Melbourne](#), or email [study@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:study@latrobe.edu.au) for more information.

To find out about the dates and times of Experience La Trobe at its other campuses, visit [Experience La Trobe](#).
Pathway to Medicine at Bond University

Students who graduate from the **Bachelor of Biomedical Science** at Bond University with the Pre-Health Professional major and meet the minimum required GPA, may be eligible to enter the *second year* of the Bond Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery program.

The selection process will be based on GPA, performance on GAMSAT and an interview, with offers made once results and the final GPA becomes available. Up to 5 places in Year 2 will be reserved for the Bond Biomedical Science (Pre-Health Professional major) graduates. Students should please note current MBBS requirements still apply.

The Bond Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery program is only open to Australian citizens, Australian permanent residents, holders of an Australian Humanitarian Visa and New Zealand citizens.

For more information about the Bachelor of Biomedical Science course, visit [Bachelor of Biomedical Science](#).

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**Nutritionists and Dietitians**

Dietitians and nutritionists are both food and nutrition experts.

Nutritionists study and provide advice about dietary habits to encourage the achievement of a healthy lifestyle. Nutritionists may have a high level of contact with the public. To become a nutritionist students usually have to study nutrition, science or applied science at university with a major in nutrition. Student membership is available with Nutrition Australia or the Nutrition Society of Australia. For more information, visit [Nutrition Society of Australia](#). Dietitians apply the art and science of human nutrition to help people understand the relationship between food and health, make healthy dietary choices and prevent and treat illness and disease. Dietitians may also generally have a high level of contact with the public. To become a dietitian students usually have to study a degree in dietetics accredited by the Dietitians Association of Australia. For more information visit [Dietitians Association of Australia](#).

*It is important to note that in Australia all dietitians are considered to be nutritionists; however, nutritionists without a dietetics qualification cannot take on the specialised role of a dietitian.*

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**Victorian Universities offering courses in nutrition, food science and/or dietetics include:**

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|                    |                                                                                  | 55.10 (G)         |
| Federation University | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 15 in any English; and a study score of at least 15 in one of any Mathematics or any Science. | 43.70 (Gi) |
| La Trobe University | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in English other than EAL; and a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics. | 60.00 (M)  
<p>|                    |                                                                                  | 55.55 (B)         |
|                    |                                                                                  | n/a (AW)          |
| Monash University  | Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; and a study score of at least 25 in one of Biology, Chemistry, Geography, Maths: Mathematical Methods (CAS), Maths: Specialist Mathematics, Physics or Psychology. | 85 (C)            |</p>
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- Design

Find out more by clicking on [Capstone Program](http://www.suzannecoryhscareers.com)
Forensic Medicine Career Information Session

The Institute of Forensic Medicine is running its first Career Information Session for 2015 on Wednesday 1 April. The Career Information Sessions have been developed at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine in response to the large number of enquiries they receive regarding Work Experience. Due to the sensitive and confidential nature of the work carried out at the Institute, work experience cannot be offered. Students in years 10, 11 and 12 will gain an insight into the various career options in the forensic sciences. Experts are in fields such as -

- forensic pathology
- forensic toxicology
- forensic anthropology
- odontology (forensic dentistry)
- histopathology
- clinical forensic medicine and
- molecular biology (DNA)

Date: Wednesday 1 April 2015
Time: 12.30pm – 4.00pm
Venue: Plueckhahn Lecture Theatre
Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine,
65 Kavanagh Street in Southbank

Unfortunately there is NO tour of the building available. Please also note that places are very limited, so priority will be given in RSVP’s received. Anyone wishing to attend must register at Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine.

For more information please email jobs@vifm.org.

Spotlight on Matthew Lagamba

- What subjects did you study in Year 12?

- What and where are you studying in 2015?
  Bachelor of Arts at Melbourne Uni

- Why did you choose that institute? Was this a tough choice for you?
  Reputation, close to home, good facilities and world class academics. It was a tough choice because other universities had similar qualities but were in other states.

- What was your biggest lesson through VCE?
  As much as you love your summary notes, there comes a time when they need to go away and practice exams will take over your life.

- What advice would you offer to VCE Students?
  Do your holiday homework. Don’t play cards in your free periods. Remember to sleep.

- What is your favourite memory of SCHS?
  Ski camp.

- What excites you most about 2015?
  Being able to study new things and find new passions. University has a large co-curricular aspect that seems very enjoyable.

- Tell us...where do you hope your degree takes you? Describe your dream career!
  Las Vegas party planner with Mike Tyson. If that fails, combining arts with a law degree and working with the UN in international law, persecuting war criminals and defending the worlds most vulnerable.
Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences
Course Information Day

**Saturday 21 March 2015**

250 Princes Hwy, Werribee Campus, 10am – 3pm

- Explore our popular Bachelor of Agriculture and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine programs
- Discover masters and higher research programs in veterinary, agricultural and food science
- Attend course information lectures
- Explore a range of other careers in science, veterinary nursing and equine studies
- Tour our a world-class Veterinary Teaching Hospital
- Feast at food stalls to support the local scouts and our students

For more information visit:
www.fvas.unimelb.edu.au