News from the Australian Catholic University (ACU)

Teaching at ACU
Sometimes students may not get the grades for their chosen career path at the end of year 12 and ACU offers flexible options on how to become a teacher - there is more than one way, and students can choose the best option for their situation. For more information on alternative ways to become a teacher please click here.

Bachelor of Digital Media
This course will enable students to work across a broad range of careers by developing skills in video and audio production, social media production and journalism/text production to meet the demands of today’s exciting and fast changing media industry. To find out more visit Bachelor of Digital Media

Biomedical Science Double Degrees
In the age of “big data”, we believe graduates who have the ability to make sense of large data-sets, to find and present patterns to others in an intelligible way will be highly sought after in a range of industries. Biomedical Science at ACU will give students some entry-level skills in data management and analysis, and more. Find out more at Biomedical Science Double Degrees

New Graduate Law Degree
This degree is open only to graduates who hold at least a three year bachelor degree. Places in this course are Commonwealth Supported Places unlike many Juris Doctor courses. Like the law degrees taken by undergraduate students, the course is designed for the needs of legal practice in the 21st Century with four major themes running through the degree:

1. a strong representation of the commercial law needed in practice
2. a strong global and human rights stream that reflects the international environment in which lawyers increasingly work
3. consistent with ACU’s commitments to social justice and advancing the common good
4. a strong ethical and practical foundation to assist students bring about change in communities and society

Find out more by reading the flyer - Law at ACU

What if you think you won’t get a place at university?
There are many alternatives. Some suggestions are:

- Contact your Career Practitioner
- Apply for a related TAFE course if you have not done so already
- Apply for a course at Monash College or Deakin College (see VTAC Guide)
- Complete a Diploma in Tertiary or Foundation Studies – e.g. at Monash University, RMIT and Victoria University
- Nursing - complete a Diploma of Nursing at TAFE
- Aim for a Supplementary Offer in January (see VTAC website)
News from Swinburne University

Swinburne University offers the Diploma of Product Design as a 2-year vocationally oriented, hands-on course that is a pathway into the 2nd year of Bachelor of Industrial Design.

Find out more at Diploma of Product Design.

News from the Victorian Transport Association

The Victorian Transport Association (VTA) offers a two-year Cadetship Program for students keen on working in a logistics company. Cadets study a Certificate IV in Logistics and a Diploma of Logistics, while earning a full-time wage. They attend eight, one week blocks of training each year, conducted at TAFE. Training is completed by workplace assignments and assessments. Cadets are rotated through different areas of the business and each cadet is assigned a workplace mentor. Completion of Year 12 is required for applying for this cadetship.

For more information contact the Victorian Transport Association (VTA) on (03) 9646 8590, email cadetship@vta.com.au or visit VTA Cadetships.

News from Flinders University

The Bachelor of Creative Arts (Fashion) at Flinders is a 3-year course that prepares students for a career as a professionally qualified designer, able to fulfil a broad range of roles in fashion and related industries.

Find out more at Bachelor of Creative Arts (Fashion).

News from the Melbourne Aquarium

Sea Life Melbourne Aquarium is now taking applications for Work Experience in 2016. This program is extremely popular, so students will be required to complete an application form to be considered for the program. Students will experience all aspects of the business, including customer service, education, marketing, retail, animal husbandry and veterinary.

Applications for 2016 opened on Monday 12 October, and students must send their application by 5.00pm Friday 30 October 2015. Students should please note that applications cannot be received outside of these dates. Students should also note that the application form is not a guarantee of placement. All applicants will be notified in writing if successful or not.

For more information Melbourne Aquarium Work Experience for 2016.

Study Assist

Students are encouraged to browse the following link as the website provides information to students about Australian Government assistance for financing of tertiary study. There is very useful information on study loans, how one pays back those loans, scholarship opportunities, etc.

Visit Study Assist.

Discover Hospitality

Students are invited to make use of this useful website called Discover Hospitality. The resource was developed by industry and is aimed at providing information to those students looking to pursue a career in Hospitality.
Career as Geoscientist

Geoscientists (also known as geologists) study the nature, composition and structure of the Earth to increase scientific knowledge and locate materials and minerals. They seek to reconstruct the past observations of the Earth and aim to forecast the future. They also advise on mining, as well as environmental protection and rehabilitation of land after mining.

Geologists may perform the following tasks:

- study the nature and effects of natural event such as erosion, sedimentation, glaciation, earthquakes and volcanic hazards
- locate and manage groundwater resources, investigate groundwater contamination and land salinity
- undertake geochemical sampling of stream sediment and soils
- advise on the geological suitability of sites for structures such as tunnels, roads, coastal installations, bridges and water supply schemes
- contribute information about land use, planning and rehabilitation, and the effects of pollution on sea beds to environmental assessments
- use computers to integrate and interpret data sets of geological information
- prepare geological models to describe processes and predict future situations
- prepare geological reports and maps

Personal Requirements of Geoscientists:

- enjoy technical and engineering activities
- willing to adhere to safety requirements
- able to work independently or as part of a team
- able to prepare accurate records and reports
- able to cope with the physical demands of the job
- prepared to work outdoors in a range of environments

Sourced from the Job Guide – Geologist

To become a geologist students usually have to complete a degree in science or applied science with a major in geology, geological science, applied geology or earth sciences.

Employment Opportunities for Geoscientists:

Geologists work for mining and petroleum companies involved in the exploration, extraction and production of minerals and hydrocarbons; engineering and environmental consultancy firms; geological survey organisations; and state, territory and federal government departments.

Employment opportunities also exist in the securities industry and financial sector where geologists are employed as industry analysts and/or advise on the economic viability of particular mining projects. Geologists may progress to exploration managers and even company managers or directors. They are highly mobile, both within Australia and internationally. There are some opportunities for self-employment.

For more information, visit the website of The Australian Institute of Geoscientists.

Some undergraduate science degrees in Victorian universities, offering one or more of these majors include:

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<td>Federation University, Mt. Helen (Ballarat)</td>
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<td>Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 20 in any English; and a study score of at least 20 in one of any Mathematics or any Science</td>
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<td>University of Melbourne, Parkville</td>
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Students are advised to use this resource as a guide only.
It is important that students follow the advice given in their Letter of Offer.
Students are also reminded that they may need Tax File Number when enrolling.

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