

Marian College

A Kildare Education Ministries School in the Brigidine tradition

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Dear Parents, Carers, Friends and Students of Marian College,

- We encourage excellence and perseverance in learning,
 - ❖ We strive for continuous improvement

Shuffling through some old documents this week I discovered amongst my notes an ideal prayer for the last of our winter months.

Out of the cold, dark winter space
We come together, looking for Brigid's grace
We dip our open hands deep into the well
Where our rivers run to, who can tell, who can tell
We warm our hearts and faces in the heat of the burning flames
Something about our spirit never stays the same

So many shadows, with so much to give away Brilliant dreams in waiting, to see the light of day We step up to the well at the dawn of springtime And when we go our way, we let the light shine Let the light direct you Let the light direct you Don't be afraid of the light that shines within you.

It is hard to believe that Spring arrives in just under four weeks. The seasons quickly fading remind us of time marching on at school. This week we begin the Orientation days for the Year 7, 2024 students. It is always an exciting time to meet and greet the next year level and their families who are ready to embark on their Marian journey. We warmly welcome all new students and families to our community.

Our thoughts and prayers are with a number of families at this time as they face the hardship of losing their muchloved mother, friend, past staff member and teacher. We pass on our best to the Holland family on the recent passing of inspiring and much-loved past Marian College staff member and Stewardship Council member, Cathy Holland. We also pass on our condolences to the Dodson/ Roche family on the recent passing of Megan, mother to Abbey and past student Josh, and to previous staff member Mairhi Aitken and family on the recent passing of her mother, Margaret. Our deepest sympathy and prayers to you at this time from the Marian Community.

Subject Selection for 2024

Last Wednesday Year 10 students and parents attended Subject Selection interviews with Teacher Advisors. Choosing the right pathway for any student should be informed by interest, ambition, opportunities and effort. As educators, we know that effort and determination are key to success. We can overcome many obstacles with hard work and being receptive to feedback

for improvement. At Marian College we offer a broad range of subjects to meet the needs of students of different interests and alternative pathways. It is also important to keep options open to what is possible. Our Career Coordinator, Mrs Andrea Knights, can help students better understand the many ways to work towards their future goals. Further details about subjects available at each year level are available in the Subject Selection books on the College website.

Production - The Addams Family

With only two weeks until the school production, the very busy cast and crew are gearing up for an exciting Opening Night on Thursday 17th August starting at 7.00 p.m.

Child Protection - Vaping

All schools have an obligation and responsibility to protect student safety. As teens grow they will test boundaries and explore new avenues that did not exist in previous generations. Vaping is a classic example of what has become a new and potentially highly dangerous fad among both primary and secondary students. Just this weekend the media reported another student rushed to hospital following a vaping incident.

Speaking to students, we know that some students have not felt comfortable accessing bathroom facilities or other locations where students have been vaping. Every student has a right to feel safe at school. Our role is to address any behavour that puts either the individual student or other students at risk. In the end, every student is responsible for their own behaviour. We are there to challenge, address behaviours and support students to make better choices. We will continue to monitor and do our best to actively safeguard our students. We ask for parent assistance in working together in helping to keep students safe. We also ask for your support as we address any breach of our school rules, and embark on the ongoing education of our teens as they mature and make better decisions.

Congratulations to Marian Science and Engineering Students.

Congratulations to our Year 9 and 10 Students on their recent achievement of First Place at the Science and Engineering at Federation University in Ballarat. What an excellent effort from all students involved. Well done to all students involved, Mrs Susan McPherson, Mr Ryan Casey and the STEM HUB teachers.

Have a wonderful week, Carmel.









then I've competed all over Victoria, comps were everyone's favourite time as we would all be together as one big family having heaps of fun and laughs along the way. Comps also brought out the competitive side out of everyone, especially me. Unfortunately, this year I've had to take a break from dance just to focus on Year 12. I miss my ADC family and I thank them for everything they've done for me x

I started school here at Marian as a little Year 7. I was petrified on my first day, I remember I walked into the gym and everyone was staring at me because I was late. But after a few weeks I made heaps of friends and met some amazing teachers. Our year level is full of amazing people, I'm so happy to have spent the last 6 years with them through thick and thin. I'm also thankful and grateful to have created lifelong friendships here at Marian. During my time at Marian I have met many teachers that have supported, encouraged and inspired me along the way. A big thank you to Mr Lloyd, Mrs Hogan, Mr McLoughlan and Mrs McConachy for the past two years; I couldn't ask for better teachers.

Beyond Year 12, I am going to take a gap year to be able to enjoy travelling and get some money together before going off to university to either study occupational therapy or physiotherapy. I have also considered doing volunteer work overseas to change it up as well, but I'll see where life takes me. I would like to thank my parents for their unconditional love and support over the years. You inspire me every day, and I can't thank you enough for everything you have provided me with. To my fellow Year 12s, I can't wait to see what the future brings to you all. I couldn't ask for a better cohort, I wish you all nothing but the best x

As I'm writing this I've realised that time flies so make the most of every moment, don't get caught up in the small things of life.





One fine evening in 2005 my amazing parents Jess and Matthew sat down to relax and watch the film 'Assault on Precinct 13'. Little did they know I had no intention of letting them finish this uninterrupted (after all, I had already taken over my twin in the womb) and suddenly it was time for me to arrive! So on September 22, their first-born daughter, their pride and joy came into the world. A few years later, my brother Noah arrived followed by my youngest brother Peyton, who then completed the Jones family.

I started kinder at ABC Center in Stawell, the only thing I remember was having some of the best nap times on the planet and throwing sand at Kade (sorry). I started primary school at Stawell West and I made so many long-lasting friendships. I got really sick one week so I missed learning how to deal with money and change and to this day I still have no idea what I am doing. As any Grade 6 would be, I was absolutely excited to start high school, I started Year 7 at Stawell Secondary College and just the thought of how tall the Year 12s were made me so scared, like how is it even possible to be that tall. I will never forget when I was in Year 8 and I had the hiccups and everyone told me to sit upside down with water in my mouth and I started choking and spat it all over the teacher. I started Year 9 here at Marian College and that was a big change for me. It was the first year of covid and with all of the lockdowns I didn't know where the toilets were until Term 3. Since then I have made so many amazing friendships that I will cherish forever.

In Year 7 when they tell you that high school is going to go by so fast and you should make the most of it, listen to them. How am I even in Year 12 right now, I obviously have not grown to

how tall the Year 12's were when I first started high school because half of the Year 7's are already taller than me.

I have had many arguments with my brothers over the Wii. I kid you not I am the best Mario Kart player ever, there was definitely blood sweat and tears, and once literally blood because I got a bit too excited playing Wii tennis and hit Peyton in the head.

As my last year of schooling comes to an end, I want to give a shout out to all of my dearest teachers that I have had over the years for never giving up on me and encouraging me to always strive for the best, especially Dani and Wayne down in VM who have impacted my life so much. My amazing parents who gave me endless love and support and teaching me to be such a strong and independent woman, and I could never thank them enough for motivating me to achieve all I could ever want in life, and most of all I want to thank everyone in my cohort, I couldn't imagine graduating with anyone else better.

If I do not see any of you after I finish school here is what you should know. I will be moving out into the big world with my cat Fat Louie, I'll be going to university to study nursing and hopefully, after my studies and a few years after all of my hard work pays off, I want to do a little bit of travel and see the world's amazing wonders. I wish everyone the absolute best and to always keep smiling.

"The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain" - Dolly Parton.



















Science and Engineering Challenge

On August 2nd a group of 26 students from Year 9 and 10 travelled to Federation University Ballarat to compete in the Science and Engineering Challenge. This event is run by the University of Newcastle across each state and territory. Winners of each state competition travel to Sydney to compete in the national competition in October.

We are thrilled to announce the Marian College team won our regional competition and are waiting to hear if we move onto the National competition.

Teams are made up of 2 to 4 students who are given STEM based problems to solve. Some examples of activities include building a tower that can hold weights and withstand an earthquake, constructing a buggy with a suspension system that can transport loads over undulating terrain. Creating functional codes to accurately send secret messages using pulses of light and the grand finale; a model bridge that supports a weighted trolley across a gap.

Our students displayed excellent teamwork and problem solving abilities and received great praise from organisers. We are incredibly proud of not only their performance but more importantly the positive attitude and sense of fun they brought with them.

We would like to thank the University of Newcastle, Federation University and The Rotary Clubs of Alfredton and Ballarat West for providing this opportunity.

Sue MacPherson and Ryan Casey STEM Hub leaders.







Science and Engineering Challenge













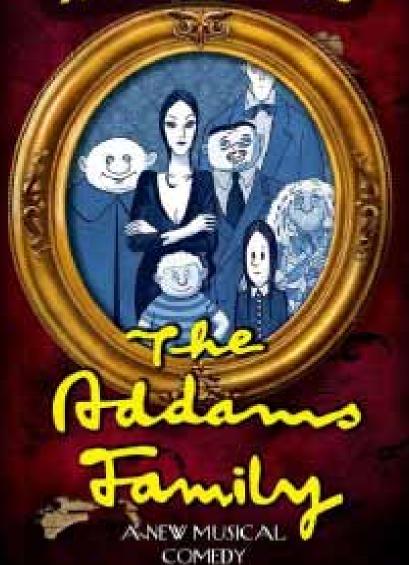






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ARARAT TOWN HALL 7:30PM
TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH HTTPS://WWW.ARARATTOWNHALL.COM.AU/
CONCESSION \$15, ADULTS \$25

FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

It has been a busy start to Term 3 and at the end of this week, we will be halfway through the term. Five weeks down with 5 weeks to go. Over the last two weeks, I've had some very interesting conversations with students about their subject selections for 2024. It was great that so many of you asked very good questions meaning you've made informed choices and you'll enjoy your subjects and be successful in completing them. The job of collating all the selections and working on next year's timetable will now begin.

Please keep one of our House Captains, Abbey and her family in your thoughts and prayers after the passing of her mother two weeks ago. I know that we will all rally around Abbey and give her all the support she needs when she returns to school.

Last week a team of Year 9 and 10 students with an interest in STEM represented Marian College in the Science and Engineering Challenge. Our team won. Well done to all the students who took part. Special mention to our two Clancy members Jenel Conteh and Marlow Edgar for being part of the winning team.

There are a number of events to come in the second half of the term, including the production in week 6, Fred Hyde Day/ Marian's got talent - week 7, Year 7 & 8 basketball in week 9 and in week 10, the Year 11 & 12 Formal to finish off the term.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday night of next week a group of very hard-working talented students will sing and dance their way through this year's musical production of 'The Addams Family'. Good luck or should I say "break a leg" to everyone involved on stage and behind the scenes to make this happen. Tickets are on sale, \$15 for concession tickets and \$25 for adults. Enjoy a night out with family and friends and support your classmates.

Fred Hyde Day and Marian's Got Talent are also not far away. This is a wonderful Marian community day where we have the opportunity to enjoy some time with friends have some fun and raise funds for a worthwhile cause. We may not realise how lucky we are to have access to schools and education. This is not the case for all children everywhere. Fred Hyde realised that by building schools in Bangladesh the children there had a better chance of escaping poverty and improving their futures. I can't wait to hear how much we raise this year. All funds go towards funding our Kindergarten on Bhola Island, Bangladesh.

As we start week 5, a reminder to all students that phones should not be taken to classes. The school policy is that they are off and away. This does not mean in your pocket. They should be left turned off in locked lockers. Thank you for your cooperation in this.

Mrs Boatman Clancy House Leader



ABOUT FRED HYDE DAY

Introduction

In 2013 a group of dedicated Year 12 students at Marian College lead by former student Zoe Eastick decided to sponsor an organisation called Fred Hyde Schools. Our Marian College core value is 'welcoming all, especially the most vulnerable' and the students felt this was a way to reach out to vulnerable students living in poor and remote areas.

About Fred Hyde



After military service and a successful career in retailing, Fred was drawn to the Indian Sub Continent region. This is where he became involved in children's charity work and started looking after an orphanage-farm run by an Australian aid agency.

This life-changing experience gave him a special insight into the needs of a child on Bhola Island in Bangladesh and sparked off an idea – to provide basic education such as reading, writing and maths, for as many local children as possible.

After years of laying the groundwork, he established the CO-ID charity for children in 1991 on Bhola Island in Bangladesh, still considered to be one of the developing world's poorest countries.

To date, more than 100,000 children have had their education in 56 Fred Hyde primary schools and pre-schools. Fred saw his humble little charity grow

into the largest provider of independent education in Bangladesh, delivering in the gaps where the government fails to. His volunteer team is committed to keeping Fred's legacy moving forward.

Marian College Involvement

Since 2013 our school has proudly raised and donated money to see the construction of a kindergarten in Bhola, Bangladesh and each year we raise enough money to cover the costs of operating this educational facility.

This is a picture of our kindergarten



Fred Hyde Fundraising Day at Marian College FRIDAY 25th AUGUST

On this day Year 12 students will provide a range of fundraising activities for all students to enjoy such as Marian's Got Talent, Games and Food stalls. To support this day please wear casual clothes and bring along a **gold coin donation** to kick off the day's fundraising. You can also help by purchasing food through the Year 12s and donating money to participate in the activities on offer.

If you would like to know more about Fred Hyde please visit https://www.fredhyde.
org/?v=6cc98ba2045f

FRED HYDE DAY incorporating MARIAN'S GOT TALENT

Friday 25th August 2023



PLEASE BRING ALON<mark>G</mark> MONEY TO SUPPORT <mark>OUR</mark> KINDER IN BANGLAD<mark>ESH</mark>





GOLD COIN DONATION



BBQ, FOOD &
DRINK STALLS



MARIAN'S GOT TALENT





GAMES & ACTIVITIES



Information for Year 10 students

Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program 2025



Apply in Year 10 for Class of 2025

Gain an exciting head start on university life while you complete Year 11 and 12. Applications open to current Year 10 students in August of each year.

About the program

The Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars program is open to students from all Victorian and select interstate border schools, offering access to exclusive University events and academic enrichments activities for two years. It gives you the chance to experience a taste of student life first-hand, as well as the opportunity to build strong peer networks that will support you throughout your final years of secondary school and during your transition to university. Since launching in 2007, the Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program has attracted over 9500 students from more than 500 participating schools. The program's inspiration and namesake is Professor Kwong Lee Dow OAM, a former University of Melbourne Vice-Chancellor, distinguished scholar in education and an important contributor to curriculum reform internationally. He plays an active role in supporting our Young Scholars Program each year.

Program benefits

Scholarship to study overseas

KLD Young Scholars are also eligible to receive a Melbourne Global Scholars Award up to the value of \$2500 to undertake an approved overseas study program at one of over 200 partner institutions across 45 countries throughout the world.

Access to the largest library collection in the Southern Hemisphere

Got a tricky question and need to research the answer? You'll have access to Melbourne's extensive library network containing over 3.5 million books and reference items spanning business, chemistry, physics, architecture, biomedicine, fine arts, music and law.

Relocation allowance

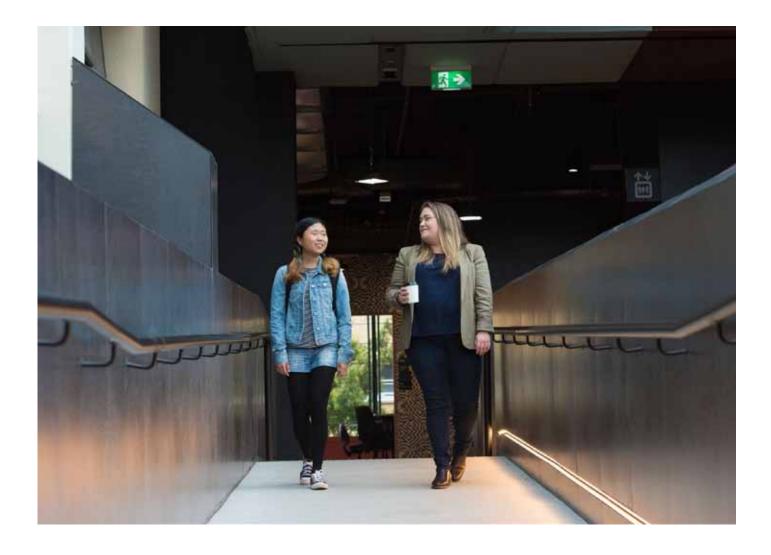
Young Scholars living in the state's rural and border regions who move to Melbourne to study at the University after competing Year 12, may receive up to \$2500 to help with the cost of relocating.

Attend events, make connections

Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars receive invitations to exclusive University events and activities designed to expand your academic and personal horizons. As well as offering events on campus, the program provides events in regional Victoria and opportunities for parents and guardians to be involved.







2023 application dates for Year 10 students

1 August 2023

Applications open for current Year 10 students

1 September 2023

Closing date for student applications

7 September 2023

School endorsements open

20 October 2023

School endorsements close

15 November 2023

Schools and students notified of application outcomes

January 2024

Welcome event for the incoming Class of 2025 Young Scholars

Application and selection

Selection occurs while you're in Year 10, on the basis of your school's endorsement and your academic performance, community contribution and leadership skills. The selection process is competitive and both you and your school need to complete the appropriate forms. The University guarantees to select at least one Young Scholar from each participating secondary school.

How will I be selected?

The selection panel will consider:

- Your school's statement of endorsement
- Your academic performance you should be in the top 5 per cent of students in your year level at your school
- Your leadership potential you must be able to demonstrate evidence of leadership, active citizenship and community involvement.

How do I apply?

Year 10 students interested in applying for the program should first discuss their interest with your school's careers adviser or nominated school contact. Careers advisers will be provided with the student application link to distribute to students.

CAREER NEWSLETTER

NEWS, RESOURCES, EVENTS



Thursday 3 August 2023

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

TERTIARY APPLICATIONS

University applications via most state-based Tertiary Admission Centres are now open!

Year 12 students can download the following resources from https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/



Early entry programs – Victoria, NSW and Canberra. Note – all early entry programs are now open.



How to apply for courses via Tertiary Admissions Centres for Victoria, NSW and Canberra.



Scholarships guide.



Accommodation guide.



Open day calendar – Victoria, NSW and Canberra.





UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS - RESOURCES

Get help with the VTAC application process (Victorian courses)

The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) process course applications on behalf of most tertiary institutes in Victoria. VTAC staff are running the following live webinars to assist students and families with applications:

August

23	Refugee and asylum seeker
	information session.
30	Nursing and midwifery applicants.

September

5	Pathways.
12	VTAC application process.

To register for an upcoming session, visit https://www.vtac.edu.au/events

Watch information videos via www.youtube.com/@vtacmedia6131

Get help with the UAC application process (NSW and Canberra courses)

The Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) process course applications on behalf of most tertiary institutes in NSW and Canberra. UAC staff are running a series of live webinars to assist students and families with applications. Register for an upcoming session,

www.uac.edu.au/schools/uac-digital

Other states

Students can access information about course applications via:

SA & NT	www.satac.edu.au
Queensland	www.qtac.edu.au
Western Australia	www.tisc.edu.au
Tasmania	www.utas.edu.au



OPEN DAYS ARE HERE!

This information is for all students.

Selected open days running soon:

SATURDAY 5 AUGUST

Monash University	Caulfield
Monash University	Peninsula
University of	Wollongong
Wollongong	

SUNDAY 6 AUGUST

Monash University	Clayton	
Deakin University	Warrnambool	
La Trobe University	Melbourne	
RMIT University	Bundoora	
Charles Sturt University	Wagga Wagga	
Longy College	Longerenong	

WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST

La Trobe University	Mildura	

SATURDAY 12 AUGUST

William Angliss	Melbourne
SAE	Melbourne
Torrens University	Melbourne
Torrens Oniversity	WEIDOUTTE

SUNDAY 13 AUGUST

Clayton
Melbourne
Albury-Wodonga
Albury-Wodonga
Ballarat
Brunswick
Melbourne City

Open Day dates

For a list of open day dates for Victoria, NSW, and Canberra, visit

https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR VICTORIAN UNI APPLICATIONS

Applying for nursing or midwifery?

Once you have applied for a nursing or midwifery course via VTAC, you will be required to complete the 'Nursing and Midwifery Declaration Form'. This is located in your VTAC account under 'Making an Application'.



Making an Application

Course preferences - undergraduate Special Consideration (SEAS) application Write a personal statement Scholarships application Nursing and Midwifery Declaration Form

Students planning to apply for initial teacher education courses in Victoria for the 2024 intake are required to sit the Casper test: CSP 10409 -Australian Undergraduate Teacher Education. You will need to create a VTAC account before you can register for the test. Register for the test via https://acuityinsights.app/casper/

Students applying for initial teacher education courses at Australian Catholic University may be required to complete the ACU Teacher Selector Statement.

Applying for a course that requires a folio, interview, design task or audition?

Once you add the course/s to your VTAC preference list and submit your application, you will be emailed information about the additional selection criteria you need to complete. Check the inbox in your VTAC account for up-to-date information. The university you are applying to may have folio and audition preparation sessions - contact them to find out.

Courses with early closing dates

The following courses have early closing dates via VTAC:

Monash University: direct medicine courses. University of Melbourne: Fine Arts and Music.

Course applications must be submitted by Thursday 28 September, www.vtac.edu.au/early-close

Get help with your applications

The following universities are running VTAC application webinars:

University of Melbourne, 3 August, 6.3opm https://bit.lv/44VYnsr Victoria University, 8 August, 7.3opm https://bit.ly/43XDvQ5



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR **NSW/ACT UNI APPLICATIONS**

Applying for nursing or midwifery?

Once you have applied for a nursing or midwifery course via UAC, you will be required to submit an 'English proficiency declaration'. The declaration will appear once you review your course preferences.

Course-specific requirements



A You must answer an English proficiency declaration

Applying for a teaching degree?

You may need to complete the Teaching Questionnaire in your UAC account. You may also need to complete a 'motivation to teach' statement direct to the university.

Law at the University of NSW (UNSW)

Students planning to apply for undergraduate law courses at UNSW will need to sit the Law Admissions Test (LAT) on Thursday28 September. Registrations for the test close Friday 11 August, https://careernews.click/unswlat

Applying for an early admission program?

All early admission programs for NSW and Canberra universities are now open. Ensure you have listed closing dates and are working on your applications as some programs close early. You may need to organise a recommendation or your Year 11 results from your school, so try and be organised as early as possible. Download an early entry guide from https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/

Applying for a course that requires a folio, interview, design task or audition?

Once you add the course/s to your UAC preference list and submit your application, you will be emailed information about the additional selection criteria you need to complete. Check the inbox in your UAC account for up-to-date information. The university you are applying to may have folio and audition preparation sessions – contact them to find out.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE -2024 ADMISSIONS UPDATE

Access Melbourne for 2024- guaranteed entry

Students who have experienced disadvantage may qualify for the Access Melbourne program by completing a Special Consideration (SEAS) application via VTAC.

Applicants who qualify under SEAS in the following categories will be guaranteed entry into courses with lower ATARs, providing they meet course prerequisites and preference the courses via VTAC correctly.

- Resident of a regional or remote area
- Disadvantaged financial background
- Recognition as an Indigenous Australian

ATARs on the right: Indigenous Australian

Bachelor of Agriculture	68	66
Bachelor of Arts	74	74
Bachelor of Arts (extended)	n/a	50
Bachelor of Biomedicine	88	85
Bachelor of Commerce	80	75
Bachelor of Design	74	70
Bachelor of Oral Health	n/a	77
Bachelor of Science	74	74
Bachelor of Science(extended)	n/a	55

Applications will need to tick yes for category 1 of SEAS (Personal Information and Location) in their VTAC account and submit the form by Friday 6

Information, https://bit.ly/3YfJrCR

Access Melbourne - Study Score Consideration

Current Year 12 applicants who wish to receive study score consideration will need to also provide a statement using the VTAC Personal Form. Students may be eligible for lower guaranteed ATARs based on their study score results. For information on eligibility, visit https://bit.ly/3YfJrCR





UOW MANAGEMENT CADETSHIP PROGRAM

This Cadetship is aimed at high-achieving Year 12 students. Successful applicants will study a university degree at the University of Wollongong (HECs free), receive an annual wage, and complete industry experience.

Eligible bachelor degrees include (but are not limited to):

Bachelor of Business
Bachelor of Communication and Media Studies
Bachelor of Computer Science
Bachelor of Economics and Finance
Bachelor of International Studies
Bachelor of Information Technology
Bachelor of Mathematics and Finance
Any other UOW undergraduate degree with a business-oriented major

Applications are now open, www.uow.edu.au/study/scholarships/

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

2024 Indigenous Apprenticeship Program

Expressions of interest are open for the 2024 Indigenous Apprenticeship Program. You can apply for an apprenticeship at different departments and agencies across the Australian Public Service, such as Department of Veterans' Affairs, Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Department of Education, and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. For information and to complete the expression of interest form, visit https://bit.ly/3rAtyKW

Business Cadetship Program

Interested in pursuing a business career?You may consider applying for a cadetship under the Business Cadetships in Melbourne Program. Cadet placement is in Global Markets and Global Research at UBS, a top-ranking global bank.Business Cadets combine paid work at UBS Melbourne with study at the university of their choice in Melbourne. Applications are now open for the 2024 intake and close 16 August 2023, www.businesscadetships.com.au



PwC Higher Apprenticeship program:

If you haven't gone to university but want to receive professional training to set you up in the technology industry, join our Higher Apprenticeship Program. And the best part of being PwC Higher Apprentice? You'll get to earn an income while learning new skills and earning two TAFE technology qualifications!

Applications are now open, https://bit.ly/3DCsGID

Ag Career Start

This is gap year program on a farm. You will live in aregional location, earn a nationally recognised qualification, and build life-long industry connections. Applications are open for the 2024 intake, https://agcareerstart.com.au/

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

ADF Gap Year applications are still open!

Current Year 12 students can apply for a 12-month position in the Air Force, Army, or Navy to begin in 2024. The following roles are on offer:

NAVY

- Maritime Warfare Officer
- Maritime Warfare Officer Submariner
- Mechanical Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer Submariner
- Helicopter Mission Commander
- Navy Sailor
- Electronics Engineer
- Electronics Engineer Submariner
- Logistics and Finance Officer

ARMY

- Army Logistics
- Army Administration Assistant
- Army Combat
- Chef
- Military Police
- Army Officer

AIR FORCE

- Administration Assistant
- Aviation Operations
- Air Force Security
- Aviation Support Technician
- Warehouse Store person

Find a role you would like to apply for and click on the 'apply now' link at https://bit.ly/2uW1hzl



DID YOU SIT THE UCAT THIS YEAR?

If you are in Year 12 and are applying for selected medical science courses such as medicine and dentistry, then you have probably sat the Universities Clinical Admissions Test (UCAT) recently. The National Institute of Education has written an article for students breaking down UCAT scores and preparation for medical interviews, https://bit.ly/3YeVIYa

ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

Female and non-binary students who are interested in studying renewable engineering at the University of NSW are encouraged to the applying for an exciting scholarship through the Elevate Program. Applications for the scholarship close on 31 August, https://bit.ly/3OmFXdg

YEAR 10 - 12 STUDENTS

VCE SUBJECT PREREQUISITES

Students in Years10 - 12 can download VCE prerequisites for the 2024, 2025, and 2026 university intakes for the following courses (most are courses at Victorian universities):

Nursing
Paramedicine
Midwifery
Physiotherapy
Occupational Therapy
Podiatry
Prosthetics and Orthotics
Speech Pathology
Osteopathy
Chiropractic
Social Work
Pharmacy

Pharmaceutical Science
Medical Laboratory Science
Nuclear Medicine
Diagnostic Radiography
Radiation Therapy
Clinical Audiology
Orthoptics
Optometry
Oral Health

Oral Health Dental Science Medicine

Download the guides via https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/



INTERESTED IN WORKING IN THEATRE. FILM OR TELEVISION?

Applications are now open for the following institutes:

NIDA

National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA) offers courses in areas such as Acting, Costume Design, Design for Performance, Technical Theatre, Properties and Objects, and Staging. Applications are now open, www.nida.edu.au

WAAPA

Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) offers courses in areas such as Aboriginal Performance, Acting, Arts Management, Dance, Music, Music Theatre, Performing Arts, and Production and Design. Applications are now open, www.waapa.ecu.edu.au

Victorian College of the Arts

Victorian College of the Arts (VCA) offers courses in areas such as Acting & Theatre, Dance, Design & Production, Film & Television, Indigenous Art & Culture, Music Theatre, Visual Art and Writing. Applications are now open,

https://finearts-music.unimelb.edu.au/about-us/vca

Applications for most courses at these institutes will be based on an audition, interview and/or folio. Please take note of key application closing dates and provide all required information with your application.

ALL STUDENTS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO STUDY IN THE US OR THE UK?

Explore your options and get tips on how to complete your applications via the following websites:

EducationUSA Australia https://bit.ly/456ZhCJ

Crimson Education www.crimsoneducation.org/au/

British Council www.britishcouncil.org.au/study-uk

UK Council for International Student Affairs https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/



YEAR 10 & 11 STUDENTS

DEFYING THE DRIFT PROGRAM

This is an amazing two stage program for young people keen to learn about careers in agriculture. You will participate in a 3-day residential program at Longerenong College in September and then present to a Rotary Club about your experience in the program. A fee of \$350 per participant is payable. Sponsor Rotary Clubs assist by contributing part or all of the fee. For information and to apply, visit

www. defying the drift.org

YEAR 9 & 10 STUDENTS

THE SANTOS SCIENCE EXPERIENCE - AGRICULTURE

The University of Melbourne is running an exciting 3-day program at the Dookie campus between 29 November – 1 December 2023. Dookie campus is a working farm- a centre of agricultural research and teaching.

You will join scientists and agricultural student mentors in hands on activities in the laboratory and paddock investigating real world issues.

Activities include biodiversity, sheep science, plant science, protein content of milk, cheese making and robotic dairy. There are 35 places left and accommodation is available at an additional cost. Book your place via www.scienceexperience.com.au

WORK EXPERIENCE

Australian Defence Force

Students can apply to undertake work experience in the Army, Navy or Air Force. Check this link for information and to browse upcoming work experience opportunities,

www.defencejobs.gov.au

Surveying work experience program

Students can register their interest to undertake work experience in surveying through A Life Without Limits. The organisation will try and connect you with businesses in your local area, www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au



EXCITING PROGRAMS

Ocean Youth Program

This amazing program is for young people who are passionate about ocean and marine life sustainability and conservation. You will participate in nature-based experiences and skills-building workshops and pitch your ideas for ocean conservation. For information, visit www.oceanyouth.org/oy-program/

Portsea Camp

The Camp runs weekend and holiday activities for children such as kayaking, snorkelling, high ropes, beach walks, sports etc. Young people are invited to apply to volunteer at the camps. This is a fantastic opportunity for secondary school students to get experience in outdoor leadership, https://theportseacamp.com.au/

St Johns Cadet - Youth Program

The St John's Cadet Youth Program is affiliated with St John Ambulance Australia. It offers young people aged 11 to 17 an opportunity to develop first aid and leadership skills. Cadets participate in training, drills, and community service, learn essential medical techniques and gain practical experience. The program is ideally suited to young people interested in pursuing careers in healthcare or emergency services,

https://cadets.stjohn.org.au/

Australian Defence Force Cadets

Australian Defence Force Cadets provides young people aged 13 to 19 with training and experiences related to military, leadership, and community service. The program aims to instil discipline, teamwork, and leadership skills, while also offering insights into potential careers in the Australian Defence Force. There are Cadet programs for Army, Navy and Air Force. Learn more via www.cadetnet.gov.au

Scouts Australia

Scouts Australia is a youth organization in Australia that offers programs for boys and girls aged 5 to 25. It aims to develop character, leadership, and outdoor skills through various activities, camping, and community involvement. Scouts participate in fun and challenging experiences, fostering personal growth and responsible citizenship, https://scouts.com.au/



VICTORIA POLICE – CHANGES TO ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To ensure young people have the best chance of success, Victoria Police has made the following changes to their recruitment process:

- exemption from the entrance exam for those with a relevant Australian university bachelor's degree (arts, science, humanities, or business) within the last 5 years.
- removal of the requirement for completion of Year 12 prior to applying.
- the initial psychological assessment can now be done online, and
- evidence of Covid19 vaccination is no longer required.

Recruitment specialists will be running a free recruitment 'pop up' session on Saturday 12 August at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. You will be able to speak with members from the following teams:

Recruiting Services Branch
Psychology & Medical Recruitment Team
Public Order Response Team (PORT)
Crime Scene Services
State Highway Patrol
Road Policing (Booze Bus)

Register your place via https://bit.ly/43SyWGI

Can't attend the Melbourne event? Search for other information sessions via https://bit.ly/3uBvCOQ

UPCOMING CAREER EVENTS

DRAMA & THEATRE ARTS INFORMATION SESSION

Melbourne Polytechnic offer exciting vocational courses in:

Costume design
Live production
Specialist make-up services
Theatre arts

The Institute is running an online information session for prospective students and families on Tuesday 29 August starting at 4.3opm. Register via https://bit.ly/45u6RqP



GIRLS PROGRAMMING NETWORK

The University of Melbourne is running a free workshop for girls who are interested in programming. No experience in coding is needed. The event will be held at the Parkville campus on Saturday 2 September between 9.30am – 4pm. The event will fill quickly, so register soon, https://bit.ly/45aaiCD

CAMP SEEK

Camp Seek is a 4-day STEM focussed learning and immersion program for girls and non-binary young people aged 14 – 16. The camp is taking place during the September school holidays.

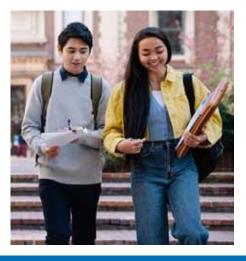
Information - www.seek.com.au/camp-seek/

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

You can find out about careers in the Australian Defence Force through participating in free information sessions. There are sessions running at various locations across Victoria and NSW and online sessions, www.defencejobs.gov.au/events

VICTORIAN CAREERS AND EMPLOYMENT EXPO

This Expo will be packed with exciting seminars, demonstrations, and hands-on workshops. You will be able to: speak to exhibitors from over 100 organisations, watch the WorldSkills National Championships, try different trades, participate in seminars, and learn about your post school study and training options. The Expo will run between Thursday 17 – Saturday 19 August at the Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre.





MONASH UNIVERSITY

Access Monash

The following events will be held online for prospective students and their families, https://bit.ly/3kVijtH

August

3	Alternative pathways to university
3	IT student panel
9	Pharmacy and pharmaceutical science
	student panel
10	Arts student panel
15	Education student panel

September

12 Exam preparation and techniques

VCE revision lectures

Monash is running VCE revision lectures in the following subjects: Biology, Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematical Methods during the September holidays. Book your place via https://bit.ly/3Koxdso

Business Explorer Program

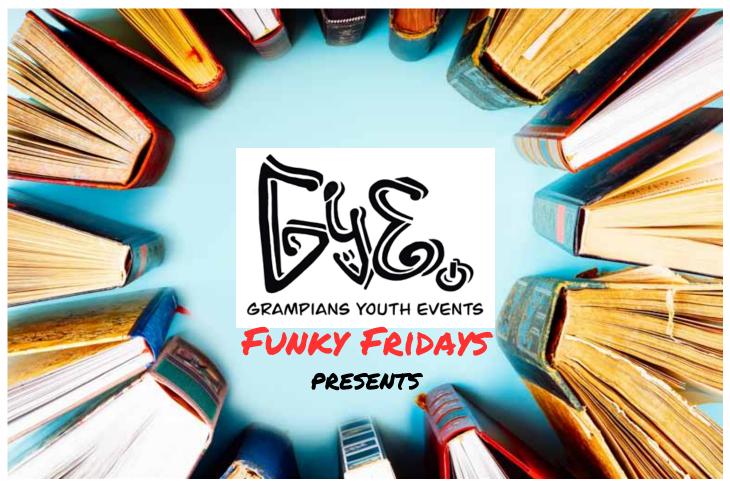
This is a free program for students who are keen to explore course and career options in business. The next event will run on 27 September at the Clayton campus. You will participate in 3 hands-on sessions from the following course areas:

- Accounting
- Banking and finance
- Analytics, stats, and actuarial studies
- Economics
- Management
- Marketing
- Entrepreneurship

Register your interest via www.monash.edu/business/business-explorer

Spring into Monash: Indigenous Camp

This camp will provide Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students from Yrs 10 to 12 with an insight into university life and an opportunity to connect with youth from across the country. The camp will run between 24 – 27 September 2023, https://bit.ly/44QnNaF



Once upon a time a group of young people got together to celebrate

BOOK WEEK!

Join us for dress-ups, storytelling and snacks 4pm -7pm

> Friday 18th August 2023 Stawell Neighbourhood House For young people aged 12-18

This is a FREE event! PRIZES for best dress-ups

*This is a drug, alcohol, vape and tobacco-free FReeZA event











August 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	8 YEAR 7 2024 ORIENTATION DAY #1	9	10	11
14	15 YEAR 7 2024 ORIENTATION DAY #2	16	17 PRODUCTION OPENING NIGHT 7.30 pm	PRODUCTION 7.30 pm
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