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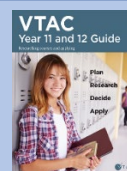
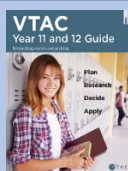
Friday October 12th, 2018

Welcome back to Term 4! This is an extremely busy term for all senior students as they prepare for the transition into 2019. Please note some important dates for Year 12 students applying for University/TAFE courses. Also if any current Year 11 students are interested in undertaking an accelerated university subject in Year 12, please see some information below regarding possible institutions and courses offered.



### Dates to Diarise in Term 4

- Late VTAC applications – October and early November
- SEAS/Scholarship applications CLOSE – FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER – 5PM.
- Year 10 Real Industry Job Interviews – Plenty Ranges – Tuesday October 23<sup>rd</sup>
- VET Information/Enrolment Evenings – Compulsory for 1<sup>st</sup> year VET students – Various dates and times next week.



### Reminder: VTAC 2019 Key Dates

<b>VTAC Personal Statement</b>	Friday 7 December 2018
<b>ATARs Released</b>	Friday 14 December 2018
<b>COP for Early International Offers closes</b>	Saturday 15 December 2018
<b>Change of Preference (COP) closes</b>	Wednesday 19 December 2018
<b>December International Round Offers</b>	Wednesday 19 December 2018
<b>Main Round International Offers</b>	Tuesday 8 January 2019
<b>Main Round Domestic Offers</b>	Wednesday 16 January 2019
<b>Further Offer Rounds</b>	Monday 4 February 2019 onwards

For a full list of cancelled, amended, and new courses, visit [VTAC Course Updates](https://www.vtac.edu.au)

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## **Job Pathways Charts**

Students are encouraged to browse the following link for excellent example of potential career pathways that can begin with an **Australian Apprenticeship** - [Australian Apprenticeships Pathways](#)



## **New Bachelor of Outdoor Leadership**

*We're excited to announce VU's new Bachelor of Outdoor Leadership - the first of its kind in Australia!* This new course addresses the needs of the entire outdoor sector and offers practical, work-integrated-learning opportunities and paid internships, which could lead to a job offer.

Delivered at the Footscray Park campus, this course covers everything students need for a career in outdoor leadership. **Find out more at [Bachelor of Outdoor Leadership](#).**



### **Important Changes for Entry to Medicine from 2020**

For students intending to sit the UMAT in 2019 for entry to university in 2020, the test is changing. From 2019, the UMAT will be replaced by a new test, the UCAT (University Clinical Aptitude Test).

**So, current Year 11 students who were intending on sitting the UMAT next year are advised that they will instead need to register for and sit the UCAT.**

#### **QUICK FACTS:**

- the UCAT (University Clinical Aptitude Test) is a 2-hour computer-based test
- the UCAT will be offered on a choice of dates throughout the month of July 2019, rather than on one single date
- some pathways to medicine/dentistry/clinical sciences will not require the UCAT and some courses may require another test
- institutions that will require the UCAT are:

[The University of Adelaide](#)

Medicine, Dental Surgery, Oral Health

[Curtin University](#)

Medicine

[Monash University](#)

Medicine

[The University of Newcastle](#) / [University of New England](#)

Joint Medical Program

[The University of New South Wales](#)

Medicine

[The University of Queensland](#)

Medicine (provisional entry), Dental Science

[University of Tasmania](#)

Medicine

[The University of Western Australia](#)

Medicine (Direct Pathway), Dental Medicine (Direct Pathway)

[Western Sydney University](#)

Medicine

[The University of Auckland](#)

Medicine

[University of Otago](#)

Medicine, Dental Surgery

More information will follow in a subsequent newsletter but, until then, students are encouraged to browse [University Clinical Aptitude Test](#)

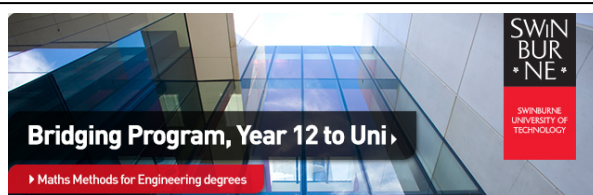
## **Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE)**

*Are you interested in studying a cross-disciplinary degree and exploring current and future global challenges?*

**UNSW** is introducing the ***Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE)***. It includes courses that enable students to explore the synergies and tensions between these three disciplines, and to assess their relevance to meet humanity's most pressing issues. Students enrolling in this course will study with a cohort of like-minded, high-achieving and critically thinking students who aspire to be leaders and contribute to positive social change.

PPE graduates are sought after globally for careers in politics and public policy development, including the highest reaches of government and the public service. Help them start their leadership career today.

Find out more about this course at [Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics \(PPE\)](#)



Swinburne University offers a **maths bridging program** called ***MathsLink***.

**MathsLink: Methods** is a bridging program for students needing VCE Units 3 and 4 of Mathematical Methods to study at Swinburne.

Mathematical Methods is a prerequisite for many bachelor degrees in ***aviation, engineering, and information and communication technology***. This bridging program is designed to help students who have not studied Mathematical Methods as part of their VCE to meet the prerequisite for entry into their chosen course.

**MathsLink: Methods** is taught predominantly online, however there are three day sessions that students must attend during Summer Term:

- Wednesday 2 January 2019, 9:30am – 4:30pm
- Thursday 24 January 2019, 9:30am – 4:30pm
- Thursday 7 February 2019, 9:30am – 4:30pm

**MathsLink: Methods** incurs a one-off \$400 fee\*\*, payable within the time frame as specified in the Swinburne University of Technology Academic Dates.

\*\* refundable if enrol in a course at Swinburne

On successful completion of this course, students will be eligible to make a direct application to Swinburne University for entry in 2019. Applications for **MathsLink: Methods** close Tuesday 18 December 2018.



## **News from Deakin University**

### ➤ **Global Science and Technology Program**

*The SEBE Global Science and Technology Program (GSTP) gives students the opportunity to gain experience beyond the classroom and experience the world whilst studying.*

Students who interested in travelling as part of their degree, are encouraged to consider the **Global Science and Technology Program**. This scholarship program is open to all courses offered by the Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment, and aims to recognise, reward, and support high achieving students interested in conducting part of their studies overseas, in order to develop new skills and a broader worldview. Successful applicants will receive a \$3000 scholarship to assist with travel costs and will participate in the Deakin Global Citizenship Program. The Global Science and Technology Program has a two-step application process.

**There are two steps to applying for this program: applicants must attain an ATAR of 80 and must complete the Program Supplementary application form by 5pm, Friday 4 January 2019. Visit [Global Science and Technology Program](#) for more details.**

### ➤ **AusNet Services Scholarship**

*If you're a female student interested in the ever changing energy landscape and shaping the future of power generation, management and distribution, we encourage you to apply for a Women in Power Engineering Scholarship.*

**Women in Power Engineering** scholarships are on offer to support women to achieve tertiary qualifications in *power engineering*, preparing them for diverse and rewarding careers in the energy industry. Scholarships are awarded to successful female applicants entering Deakin's **Bachelor of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Honours)** undergraduate degree. Each scholarship is valued at \$10,000 per year over the normal duration of the course and includes vocational work and a mentoring program.

**For full details about the scholarship, including selection criteria, how to apply and closing dates please visit: [AusNet Services Scholarship](#)**



## **Careers in Insurance**

Find out more about the wider insurance careers programs available at the **Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance (ANZIIF)**. A supporting website [Careers in Insurance](#) features detailed information about the types of businesses in the industry and the range of roles and opportunities within insurance. Students are encouraged to visit this website for an interesting insight to insurance – be it insurance against *maritime pirates* or against *floods, hurricanes & droughts*.



## **VCE Extension Studies in 2019**

### ➤ **Deakin University – Deakin Accelerate**

**Deakin Accelerate** is a distinctive VCE higher education program that allows students to study two first-year university subjects during Year 12. Studying one subject per trimester, this selective program gives students a head-start into university studies and also provides a potential boost to their all-important ATAR score.

Besides the challenge of taking on a university subject, this subject will also count as part of the VCE and contribute towards the ATAR as the fifth or sixth subject. There are no tuition fees for Deakin Accelerate.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at [Deakin Accelerate](#)**

### ➤ **La Trobe University - VCE Plus Program**

**VCE Plus** is an opportunity for high achieving Year 11 VCE students to complete a pair of first-year university subjects in their Year 12 and have them recognised as part of their VCE. Students enrolled in VCE Plus choose one subject per semester. *VCE Plus* is offered at all La Trobe campuses and subjects are delivered online, face-to-face, or a combination of both. There are fees associated with the VCE Plus Program.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer at [VCE Plus Program](#)**

### ➤ **Monash University - Extension Studies**

**Monash Extension Studies** allows high achieving Year 12 students to get a taste of university before finishing school - and be rewarded for it. Students complete a pair of first year university subjects as part of their final year school studies, allowing them to extend and enhance their learning in an area of interest. Students also received credit towards their ATAR. There will be fees associated with the Extension Studies Program.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at [Extension Studies](#)**

### ➤ **RMIT University – VCE Extension**

**RMIT's VCE Extension** allows Year 12 students to undertake university subjects while completing their VCE. These courses are VCAA-accredited towards VCE results and students may be eligible for credit in a related RMIT program.

Students will get a taste of university life, they attend lectures and study on campus with full access to all the services and facilities enjoyed by RMIT students. **VCE Extension** subjects are taught at the City campus and are counted towards students VCE and provide a boost to their ATAR. RMIT charges no fees for RMIT Extension courses.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at [VCE Extension](#)**

### ➤ **University of Melbourne – Extension Program**

The **Extension Program** is an opportunity for high achieving Year 12 students to study a university subject whilst at school which counts towards their ATAR, as well as experience university life. The University of Melbourne does not charge any fees for participation in the Extension Program. However, some School Centres where an Extension subject is taught may charge a reasonable fee to cover teaching and administrative costs.

**Find out more, including the subjects on offer, at [Extension Program](#)**