



# Careers@WSSC Newsletter

~ March - 2023 ~

## Career Tools

Please remember that Career Tools can be accessed from anywhere! You can still be adding to your Career Profile by logging in using your username and password.

Why not spend some time creating a resume, or writing a cover letter! You can do this easily using the Build a Resume function.

Login here: <https://wssccareers.com/>

## YEAR 12 STUDENTS

### Scholarships for High Achievers

#### The University of Melbourne – Hansen Scholarship

If you are planning to study at The University of Melbourne in 2024, you should consider applying for the Hansen Scholarship. Stage 1 applications are now open and close on Thursday 30 March (early bird applications close 3 March). You must be able to prove financial disadvantage to be eligible <http://bit.ly/2TeHYgn>

#### Australia National University (ANU) – Tuckwell Scholarship

If you are planning to study at ANU in 2024, you should consider applying for the Tuckwell Scholarship. You are required to apply direct to ANU by 3 April for the courses you are interested in and by 13 April for the scholarship. Applications will open on 1 March, <https://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/>

#### Early Entry Programs – Now Open

##### Charles Sturt University

Charles Sturt Advantage  
Selection is based on Year 11 results and a soft skills assessment.  
Applications close Friday 7 April.  
<https://bit.ly/2UmOlgT>

##### La Trobe University

Aspire – Year 11 Conditional Entry.  
Selection is based on Year 11 results and a school endorsement.  
Round 2 applications close Thursday 6 April  
<https://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire>

##### University of New England

Early Entry  
Selection is based on a school recommendation.  
Applications close Friday 15 September.  
<https://bit.ly/3HxaosI>



## Medicine, Dentistry, Oral Health

### Register for the UCAT ANZ

Year 12 students who are planning to sit the UCAT this year can register for the test from Wednesday 1 March via [www.ucat.edu.au](http://www.ucat.edu.au)

### UCAT Mock Exam Day 2023

This is a free online UCAT trial exam that will be sat by thousands of students. You will receive your mock UCAT score and have a benchmark to work on improving for the exam later in the year. You can sit the exam any time on Sunday 26 February. Register for the test via [www.ucatmasterclass.com/ucat-med](http://www.ucatmasterclass.com/ucat-med)

### Medicine Information Sessions (online)

#### UNSW

Tuesday 14 March, 6.30pm – 7.30pm  
Book via <http://bit.ly/418X5sC>

#### Monash University

Wednesday 29 March, 5pm – 6pm  
Book via [www.monash.edu/discover/events](http://www.monash.edu/discover/events)

#### Charles Sturt University

Wednesday 29 March, 6pm – 7.30pm  
Book via <https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events>

### UCAT Preparation Sessions

You have the choice to start preparing for the test early. There are several private companies that offer commercial preparation programs such as:

NIE, [www.nie.edu.au](http://www.nie.edu.au)

Med Entry, [www.medentry.edu.au](http://www.medentry.edu.au)

It's important to note that private companies are not endorsed by the universities that use the UCAT.

## GAP Year Programs

Overseas gap years are back! Year 12 students may consider volunteering or working overseas next year before starting study or training in 2025. These programs provide a range of benefits, including meeting people from different cultures, building skills in leadership, improving confidence, strengthening your resume, and taking a break from study.

### New Ventures Worldwide (NVW)

This company offers overseas work experience programs in the following roles:

#### United Kingdom, New Zealand, Australia

Outdoor camp assistant

School assistant

#### Spain, Vietnam, Poland

Language tutor

#### Canada

Outdoor camp assistant

#### Ghana

Community volunteer

School assistant

#### Argentina

School assistant

For information on costs, key dates and how to apply, visit <https://newventuresworldwide.com>



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## YEAR 10 - 12 STUDENTS

# Work Experience

### AFP – Forensics Work Experience Program

Applications are now open for the AFP Forensics Work Experience Program! The one-week program held in Canberra is for Year 10-12 students who want to pursue a career in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), particularly in forensic science.

The first course will be held in May 2023 and the second in September 2023. You have until 10 March 2023 to submit your application. For more information on how to apply, visit:  
<https://jobs.afp.gov.au/forensicsworkex>

### Taronga Zoo Sydney Work Experience – consider for 2024

Taronga Zoo Sydney offers work experience opportunities for students in years 10 – 12 who are interested in pursuing a career in zoo keeping, animal care, tourism, or zoo horticulture. Applications are now open for 2023 placements.

As only one student per school can apply for a placement, please see your career adviser to express an interest in applying. Priority will be given to NSW residents and applications for 2023 now closed, <http://bit.ly/417p9g9>



### Australian Defence Force (ADF) Work Experience

The ADF offers work experience to Year 10 – 12 students. The following are examples of upcoming placements being offered:

#### Canberra

ASD Cyber Security and Robotics  
Indigenous Youth Placement: RCM Duntroon  
Army Officer Overview: RMC Duntroon

#### New South Wales

Navy Aviation Overview  
Air Force Aviation Program for Women

#### Victoria

No placements have been advertised yet.  
Information - <http://bit.ly/3DaOThp>



### Open Day

#### Charles Sturt University

Year 10 - 12 students are invited to participate in the Charles Sturt University Explore Day at the campus of their choice. Students will explore two study areas through one-hour workshops.

Albury-Wodonga, Tuesday 7 March  
Wagga Wagga, Tuesday 21 March  
<https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events>

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## YEAR 11 & 12 STUDENTS

### **MYSCI, Monash University**

MYSci is a three-day science program specifically designed for students who are in Years 11 and 12. The program will run between 12 – 14 April at the Clayton campus. Program activities will include:

- hands-on workshops
- access to brilliant teaching facilities
- opportunity to meet Monash Research Scientists
- exposure to potential career pathways
- activities with the Young Scientists of Australia
- social activities

Cost: \$115 per student. This is a fantastic event!  
<https://shop.monash.edu/mysci-2023.html>

## **EARLY ADMISSION**

### **Aspire Year 11 Conditional Entry & Early University Study webinar**

There are now even more ways of locking in a conditional offer! In 2022 La Trobe launched the Aspire Year 11 Entry program, which allows students to confirm a conditional offer to selected courses and remove the ATAR requirement, based on their year 11 results.

Students can also challenge themselves with a range of Aspire Early University Study programs. To learn more, watch an On Demand Webinar via <http://bit.ly/3KwSyKQ>



## YEAR 9 & 10 STUDENTS

### **Science Experience**

The Science Experience is a fun 1, 3 or 4 days of science activities for Year 9 and 10 students. Each program is designed to provide students who have an interest in science with an opportunity to engage in a wide range of fascinating science activities under the guidance of scientists who love their work.

#### **Marine & Freshwater Discovery Centre**

18 April, 13 places remaining.

#### **Swinburne University of Technology**

28 – 30 June, 49 places remaining.

For information on the programs and how to register, visit [www.scienceexperience.com.au](http://www.scienceexperience.com.au)



### **A day @ Melbourne Uni**

Save the date! A Day at Melbourne will be running at the Parkville campus on Friday 20 April. This is an exciting day for Year 9 and 10 students to learn about courses at the university. Information will be released soon.

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## ALL STUDENTS

### Exciting Career Events

#### Victoria Police

Victoria Police are running the following two information sessions for prospective applicants in March:

**1 March: Online information session**

This session is perfect for students and families who would like to access information about Victoria Police careers from the comfort of home.

**18 March: Victoria Police Careers Expo**

This event will be held at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. If you are keen to explore policing careers, this is an event not to be missed.

[www.police.vic.gov.au/police-information-sessions](http://www.police.vic.gov.au/police-information-sessions)

#### ACN Nursing and Health Expo Melbourne

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is hosting a Nursing and Health Expo on Saturday 1 April at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. You will be able to explore career pathways, research courses, and speak directly to nurses working in a variety of practice areas. To register, visit [www.acn.edu.au/events/nursing-health-expo](http://www.acn.edu.au/events/nursing-health-expo)



#### Australian Defence Force

You can find out about careers in the Australian Defence Force through participating in free information sessions, [www.defencejobs.gov.au/events](http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events)

#### Australian Catholic University (ACU)

ACU is running the following online 'Talk with Industry Series' events in

**April:**

18	Talk with Teachers
19	Talk with Lawyers & Criminologists
27	Talk with Business & IT Professions

The sessions will be held between 6 – 7pm and are open to prospective students, [www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/](http://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/)

#### Monash University

Monash has the following course information sessions, campus tours, and information evenings running in March and April:

**March:**

7	Monash Information Evening
29	Discover Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences
29	Discover Medicine (online)

**April:**

4	Monash Information Evening - Peninsula
5	Monash Information Evening - Warrnambool
19	Clayton campus tours
20	Caulfield & Peninsula campus tours
20	Discover Business

For information and to register your place, visit [www.monash.edu/discover/events](http://www.monash.edu/discover/events)

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## Higher Ed. Campus Tours

Students are invited to participate in on-campus higher education institution tours during the upcoming term break. Tours will be conducted by student ambassadors and specialist course advisers and will generally run for around 45 minutes.

Tours provide a perfect opportunity for prospective students and their families to ask questions about courses, student services, accommodation, and scholarships etc. The following are examples of institutes who are running tours:

### Deakin University

**12 – 20 April:** participate in a campus and accommodation tour at the Deakin campus of your choice, <https://bit.ly/3w4hpyr>

### Monash University

**19, 20 April:** participate in a tour of the Clayton, Caulfield, and/or Peninsula campuses, [www.monash.edu/discover/events](http://www.monash.edu/discover/events)

### La Trobe University

**Albury-Wodonga campus:** book a campus tour by emailing Marcella Bulic, [M.Bulic@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:M.Bulic@latrobe.edu.au)

### Australian Catholic University

Register for a personalised campus tour via <https://bit.ly/3Hq5zAE>

### Charles Sturt University

Register for a personalised campus tour via [www.csu.edu.au/contacts/campus-tour](http://www.csu.edu.au/contacts/campus-tour)

### Swinburne University

Register for a personalised campus tour via [www.swinburne.edu.au/forms/campus-tour](http://www.swinburne.edu.au/forms/campus-tour)

## Box Hill Institute

Register for a 'talk and tour' session at the Box Hill (28 March) or Lilydale (30 March) campus. Register via, <https://info.boxhill.edu.au/talk-and-tours-2023/>

## Interested in Studying Law?

According to 'Explore Careers', one of the many myths about studying law is that 'you should only study law if you want to become a lawyer.' Fortunately, this is entirely false – a degree in law opens you up to many different and diverse career opportunities!

Read an excellent article by Explore Careers about why you should consider studying a law degree, <https://bit.ly/3ImLI7U>

## Unique at RMIT University – Medical Radiations

You may have heard that the Victorian state government is investing \$44 million on PET scanners for hospitals around the state, but did you know that RMIT is the only university in Victoria to train the nuclear medicine technologists who can operate the scanners?

Nuclear Medicine suits students who love science, would enjoy diagnosing illness/disease and writing reports about their findings, work with high tech equipment, and work in a medical science role that has a good balance between interacting with people, and working behind the scenes. Explore the course at RMIT via <http://bit.ly/2xEpyxc>

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## My Health Career

My Health Career is a fantastic website that has career resources such as information sheets and videos about careers in several health fields including physiotherapy, dentistry, optometry, and occupational therapy etc., [www.myhealthcareer.com.au](http://www.myhealthcareer.com.au)

## Careers in Insurance

Have you considered a career in insurance?

As one of the biggest, most diverse industries in the world, insurance has more roles than you'd imagine – including ones that are perfect for you. Love numbers? You're needed. Love people? Insurance has roles for you. Analytical? A big thinker? A problem solver?

Whatever you are, insurance has a job with your name on it. To learn about where a career in insurance can take you, check out the website 'Careers in Insurance' at this link - <http://careersininsurance.com.au/>

## Casual employment

You can sign up for employment opportunities at the following websites:

<b>Coles</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/383OETN">https://bit.ly/383OETN</a>
<b>IGA</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/382p4yw">https://bit.ly/382p4yw</a>
<b>KFC</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/33N7mM1">https://bit.ly/33N7mM1</a>
<b>Woolworths</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2RptgTp">https://bit.ly/2RptgTp</a>
<b>Hungry Jacks</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2qkwIU8">https://bit.ly/2qkwIU8</a>
<b>Kmart</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2Y8U2Rd">https://bit.ly/2Y8U2Rd</a>
<b>Target</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2qZ76MZ">https://bit.ly/2qZ76MZ</a>
<b>McDonalds</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/380Uvtb">https://bit.ly/380Uvtb</a>
<b>Bunnings</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2LfB2Ls">https://bit.ly/2LfB2Ls</a>
<b>Donut King</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2YbqYIy">https://bit.ly/2YbqYIy</a>
<b>Boost Juice</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2P36v4I">https://bit.ly/2P36v4I</a>
<b>Red Rooster</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2Lf35Le">https://bit.ly/2Lf35Le</a>
<b>Myer</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2sHiEov">https://bit.ly/2sHiEov</a>
<b>Cotton On</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2LjebPj">https://bit.ly/2LjebPj</a>
<b>Sportsgirl</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2RfT2cC">https://bit.ly/2RfT2cC</a>
<b>Officeworks</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/361GkCp">https://bit.ly/361GkCp</a>
<b>Apco</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/33F09xz">https://bit.ly/33F09xz</a>

About 80% of all job vacancies aren't advertised, so it is crucial that you market yourself to businesses with an excellent resume and cover letter. Make sure you tell as many people as possible that you are looking for work as often employers rely on 'word of mouth' to recruit for their positions.



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## Job seeking resources

For excellent job seeking tips, and resume/cover letter templates, check out the resources at the following two websites:

Skillsroad - [www.skillsroad.com.au](http://www.skillsroad.com.au)

Youth Central - [www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au](http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au)

## Rights and responsibilities

Know your rights and responsibilities when starting a new job - [www.fairwork.gov.au](http://www.fairwork.gov.au)

## Tax File Number (TFN)

If you don't have a TFN, you will need to apply for one via the Australian Tax Office - [www.ato.gov.au](http://www.ato.gov.au)



## Interested in pursuing an apprenticeship or traineeship?

Even though you have just started the schooling year, your planning should start now.

Australian Apprenticeship Pathways have developed an excellent four-step guide to assist you to start planning - [www.aapathways.com.au](http://www.aapathways.com.au)

Read through Step One and take the work type explorer quiz, download the AusAppPathways app to your phone, and complete practice aptitude quizzes to ascertain the level of literacy and numeracy skills you will need for different occupations.

## You can also do the following during the year to prepare for an apprenticeship:

Meet with your Career Adviser to start planning your professional trade career.

Undertake work experience in several fields or with several employers in the same field.

Contact industry leaders and associations in your fields of interest to ask questions. Use the following website to locate organisations in your local area [www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au](http://www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au)

Work hard in your English and Mathematics classes and VET/technology/science subjects if relevant. With advances in technology occurring across all apprenticeship fields, it will be crucial that you can read and interpret complex information and instructions and adapt to changes in technology during your apprenticeship and once qualified.

Bookmark websites for industries you are interested in to keep up to date with changes to industry technology, skills shortages, and events. For example:

<b>Bricklaying</b>	<a href="http://bit.ly/2DYCwbA">http://bit.ly/2DYCwbA</a>
<b>Plumbing</b>	<a href="http://bit.ly/2FK6wnP">http://bit.ly/2FK6wnP</a>
<b>ICT</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2SaxPj2">https://bit.ly/2SaxPj2</a>
<b>Agriculture</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/36WW9dq">https://bit.ly/36WW9dq</a>
<b>Community Services</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/2OoUQgS">https://bit.ly/2OoUQgS</a>
<b>Rail Careers</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/36Ruo65">https://bit.ly/36Ruo65</a>
<b>Climate control</b>	<a href="https://bit.ly/3b8mBo0">https://bit.ly/3b8mBo0</a>

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