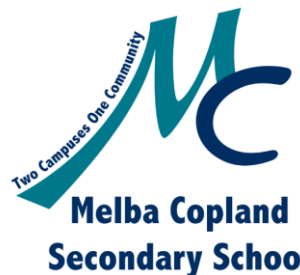


Career Information Newsletter

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Careers

USING THE CAREER INFORMATION NEWSLETTER - Welcome to the first edition of the Career Information Newsletter for 2015. This newsletter is **published fortnightly** and **emailed to all students** via their email accounts. **Hard copies** are available at Student Services, the Careers Resource Centre and the Front Office. Students are also able to download the Careers Newsletter by visiting www.mcsc.act.edu.au The TV monitor and noticeboards outside the Library, Career Resource Centre and Student Services **advertise Career related information**. This newsletter informs you about: **Universities, CIT, New Courses, Open Days, Scholarships, Apprenticeships, employment etc.** You are encouraged to read the 'Career Information Newsletter' to make yourself **aware of the opportunities available to you**. **Appointments** are made by visiting Careers Resource Centre and booking in a time and date. Additional staff providing career support this year includes Annie Kennedy, Kathryn Brown and Terry Eveston.

Career Presentations This year Career presentations will be advertised when students have expressed a demand on a particular topic or training event. Regularly we get guest speakers who would like to speak to Year 11 & 12 students. This year presentations will **occur during a whole school assembly, during a pastoral care session or on a Wednesday during lunch time**. These presentations will be advertised in the Careers Newsletter, PC Notices, TV monitor and Face book.

Important Notices

Students interested in the following training programs:

White **C**ard : **A**sbestos **T**raining : **F**irst **A**id : **R**SA - Responsible Service of Alcohol are asked to visit the Careers Resource centre and record their NAME AND MOBILE on the expression of interest form. Once we have the required number of students the training date will be advertised. **Note:** Many of these training programs have a cost involved. Payment must be completed at the front office one week before the training session begins.

UMAT Attention Year 12 Students - **PLANNING TO STUDY MEDICINE, PHARMACY, PHYSIOTHERAPY, DENTISTRY, OPTOMETRY, HEALTH SCIENCES?**

Year 12 students planning to apply for these courses must complete the **Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT)**. UMAT test results are used as part of the selection process for medicine, dentistry and health science degree programs at various UMAT Consortium

universities. UMAT 2016 will be held on Wednesday 27 July 2016. Note that UMAT is offered once a year only. Registrations for UMAT 2016 are now open. Registrations will close at 5.00pm 3 June 2016. You must read the UMAT2016 Information Booklet

https://umat.acer.edu.au/files/UMAT_info_book_16.pdf and complete the UMAT Registration Tutorial before you register for UMAT2016 <http://umat.acer.edu.au/tutorials>

For more information visit: <http://umatweb.acer.edu.au/>

UMAT preparation options: • MedEntry - www.medentry.edu.au • The National Institute of Education - www.nie.edu.au

Attention Year 11 Tertiary Students - ANU Extension applications close 14 February 2016

ANU Extension provides an enhanced learning experience for year 11 in ACT colleges. ANU Extension students will enrol in an ANU academic award program and will be able to undertake courses in sciences, engineering, mathematics, Asian languages and advanced music. Students who successfully undertake studies in ANU Extension will be able to articulate into an ANU bachelor degree program and receive credit towards the bachelor degree for the studies successfully completed. For more information or to apply online go to: <http://extension.anu.edu.au/>

Whats new: The Unique Student Identifier (USI) From 1 January 2015, all students doing nationally recognised training need to have a Unique Student Identifier (USI). This includes students doing Vocational Education Training (VET) programs in school, an Australian School based apprenticeship and additional training that includes VET competencies such as white card and asbestos. Students will be required to register online. For a brief introduction to what the USI is and why it is needed, visit

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5zMjJfxyDKs> To apply go to: <https://www.usi.gov.au/> Provide your USI Number to Robyn in Student Services

BiG Day In IT - Thursday 2 June 2016 - 9:00am - 2:30pm BiG Day In IT Careers Conference for students in Years 9-12 @ University of Canberra. Speakers' incl. Microsoft, IBM, WiseTech Global, HP, CSC & more talking about their Careers & the future of Information Technology. Interested students are asked to See Helen. A bus will be organised if there are enough students interested in going. Cost \$5 Visit: <http://www.thebigdayin.com.au>

Interested in learning more about your rights and responsibilities. Legal Aid in partnership with Belconnen Community Services is providing legal advice to teenagers on work, cars, money, cyber safety just to name a few topics. For more information see flyer at the end of this newsletter.

What's new in the Careers Centre for students to review

The following information has recently arrived in the Careers Room:

- UMAT Australia - 2016 Information Brochure
- GAP YEAR Information - Project Abroad, LATTITUDE

Selected Websites to Visit

www.ncah.com.au/	Online Careers Resource for Nurses & Allied Health Professionals
http://www.mathscareers.org.au/	Careers in Maths
www.aapathways.com.au/Career-Resources/Practice-Aptitude-Quizzes	Australian Apprenticeship Pathways Practice Aptitude Quizzes - for people interested in entering a trade. The quizzes also provide industry specific careers information and links.
www.joboutlook.gov.au/pages/careerquiz.aspx	The Job Outlook Career Quiz takes students' answers to a small range of questions and provides them with career profiles for jobs in fields that might suit them.
www.alife.net.au	Range of career profiles and interviews
www.whatdegreewhichuniversity.com/Home.aspx	<i>What Degree? Which University?</i> Is a website that explores the many degree options available at different universities.
http://www.myfuture.edu.au/	Australia's career information and exploration service site
www.australia.gov.au/healthheroes	For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander secondary students to pursue a job in the health sector
http://myuniversity.gov.au/	A website aimed at providing potential students with more information to help them decide what and where to study
http://essendonvet.com.au/career-veterinarian	This website gives an overview of the career of the veterinarian and the salary range that a new graduate might expect. The site also provides a list of Australian universities that facilitate the Bachelor of Veterinary Science.
http://www.hobsonscoursefinder.com.au/	Course information from TAFEs, private VET Colleges, Universities University Ratings and Career Info.
<p>The Good Universities Guide now available as a free eBook - The Good Universities Guide rates the quality of institutions and courses on offer against a comprehensive list of criteria relevant to students and their advisers. The digital edition of the Guide can be viewed at http://ebook.gooduniguide.com.au</p>	

University

Charles Sturt University (CSU) 2016 Upcoming MyDay Events: MyDay offers students a taste of living and learning on campus at CSU and the opportunity to find out more about their chosen course and career. Students will also receive key information about opportunities and support available to make their goals achievable. Students interesting in attending a MyDay event are required to register online. Upcoming events include:

Visit: www.csu.edu.au/go/myday

MYDAY 2016

YOUR UNIVERSITY FOR A DAY

Accounting and Business

Wagga Wagga: 10 May

Information on: Accounting, Business Studies, Management, Marketing

Accounting, Business and Information Technology

Bathurst: 12 May

Information on: Accounting, Business Studies, Computer Science, Information Technology, Management and Marketing

Agriculture

Wagga Wagga: 7-8 July

Information on: Agriculture, Agricultural Science, Agricultural Business Management

Allied Health

Albury-Wodonga: 30 June

Information on: Health and Rehabilitation Science, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Podiatric Medicine, Speech and Language Pathology

Clinical Science, Dental Science, Pharmacy and Physiotherapy

Orange: 15 April

Information on: Clinical Science, Dental Science, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy

Communication and Creative Industries

Bathurst: 11 April

Information on: Advertising, Journalism, Media Practice, Public Relations, Radio, Sports Journalism, Theatre Media

Wagga Wagga: 18 April

Information on: Acting, Animation and Visual Effects, Design, Fine Art, Graphic Design, Photography, Television

Port Macquarie: 4 July

Information on: Advertising, Graphic Design, Public Relations

Engineering

Bathurst: 11 April

Information on: Engineering

Exercise and Sports Sciences

Bathurst: 26 February

Information on: Exercise and Sport Science, Health and Physical Education, Sports Journalism

InfoDay

Port Macquarie: 23-24 June

Information on: courses offered at Port Macquarie Campus

Medical Radiation Science and Paramedic

Port Macquarie: 8 July

Information on: Medical Radiation Science, Clinical Practice (Paramedic)

Medical Science, Medical Radiation Science and Nursing

Wagga Wagga: 26 February

Information on: Medical Science, Medical Radiation Science, Nursing

Nursing

Albury-Wodonga: 22 April

Information on: Nursing

Nursing and Paramedic

Bathurst: 21 April

Information on: Clinical Practice (Paramedic), Nursing

Psychology and Social Work

Wagga Wagga: 22 March

Information on: Psychology, Social Work

Psychology

Bathurst: 19 May

Information on: Psychology

Policing, Law and Criminal Justice

Bathurst: 18 April

Information on: Policing, Law, Criminal Justice

Teaching and Education

Bathurst: 2 June

Information on: Early Childhood and Primary, Health and Physical Education, K-12

Wagga Wagga: 7 June

Information on: Early Childhood and Primary, K-12, Technology and Applied Studies

Albury-Wodonga: 9 June

Information on: Early Childhood and Primary, K-12, Outdoor Education

Teaching, Nursing and Social Work

Dubbo: 28 June

Information on: Early Childhood and Primary, Nursing, Social Work

Register your interest for a MyDay event at: futurestudents.csu.edu.au/myday

Scholarships

Bond Scholarships for Year 12 students will open in early April and close around 31 July. Visit: www.bond.edu.au/study-at-bond/scholarships/how-to-apply/index.htm They are designed to reward and encourage students who have excelled in the areas of academia, leadership, community and sporting. Download a copy of the [2016 Domestic Scholarship Brochure](#)

ANU Tuckwell Scholarships - Unique \$21,700 per annum. The Tuckwell Scholarships are competitive scholarships awarded to outstanding school leavers who wish to pursue a full-time single or double undergraduate program at ANU. Stage 1 Applications for the 2017 Scholarships will open **29 Feb 2016**. Selections will be finalised in July 2016, for study commencing February 2017. For more information visit: <http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/> <http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/>

Scholarship finder - Hobsons website:

<http://www.hobsonscoursefinder.com.au/scholarship/search?levelOfStudy=4&keyword=&organisationName=&country=14®ion=1000&fieldOfStudy=3&supportType=1&targetGroup=5&actionSearch=Search#.UhPS1X-bAjw>

Cadetships

Professional Cadetships Australia - (PCA) specialises in creating career opportunities for young people. **2016 cadetship programs will be uploaded in mid-February** for Cadetships in Business, Engineering and Technology . For more information visit: www.businesscadetships.com.au

Australian Defence Force & ADFA

Defence has a number of Work Experience Programs in the ACT for 2016. Visit the website to see the current opportunities available to students. www.defence.gov.au/workexperience
This year students are required to apply online.

ADF Gap Year program - Applications for the 2017 Australian Defence Force (ADF) Gap Year program will be opening in March 2016.

ADF provides an opportunity for young Australians, who have finished year 12 (or equivalent) and are aged between 17 and 24*, to experience an exciting and rewarding year in the Navy, Army or Air Force. You will gain life skills, make new friends and develop leadership qualities that you can take anywhere. For more information or to register your interest visit:

www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/GapYear/default.aspx?utm_campaign=gapyear2015&utm_medium=edm&utm_source=eoicanberra

ADFA EDUCATION AWARD - Closes 28 February The Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) Education Award is presented annually to Year 12 students in recognition of leadership potential, and academic and sporting achievements exhibited during Year 11. The award comprises of a tablet device (or similar) and certificate for you, along with a plaque of recognition for your school.
Award eligibility To be eligible to apply for the Education Award, you must currently be studying

Year 11 subjects that meet both the educational qualifications for admission to the University of New South Wales (UNSW) and **submit an application prior to 28 February in the year you undertake Year 12.** For more information visit:

<http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/adfa/howtoapply/educationaward.aspx>

Year 11 students can apply in May of this year.

2016 Defence Force Information Sessions

9 Feb 16	6.00pm	ADFA Information Session
16 Feb 16	6.00pm	Army Reserve Information Session
23 Feb 16	6.00pm	Submarine & aviation Careers Info Session

For more information visit: www.facebook.com/events/1528186550812624/ or to book your spot, email your details to: cptact@dfr.com.au

Gap Year/ Exchange

Cultural Care Au Pair - Is a cultural exchange program that provides young Australian adults with the opportunity to live and work in the USA. A free information session is available in Canberra on the 20th February at 11am. Meeting held at the Belconnen Community Centre, Swanston Court and students can book their seat by calling 1800 677 373 or visit: <http://culturalcare.com.au/join-info-meeting/>

Lattitude Global Volunteering 2017 applications now open! Applications are now open for students interested in embarking on a volunteering placement in a new culture and community during their gap year in 2017. Placements are available in North America, the UK, Europe and Asia/Pacific. To help with costs, a number of scholarships are available to assist with placement fees or flights to certain countries. Visit: www.lattitude.org.au/ for more information.

Projects Abroad Information Evening - Projects Abroad offers volunteering opportunities in 29 countries across the developing world and have over 1000 unique projects. The projects are all about connecting with and understanding a different world, making a worthy contribution, and personal development. Online information sessions can be found by visiting:

<http://www.projects-abroad.com.au/about-us/meet-us/online-info-sessions/>

or head to their website: <http://www.projects-abroad.com.au/about-us/meet-us/#information-evenings>

Antipodeans ABROAD - an independent Australian company that has been creating unique student volunteer experiences for over 20 years. For more information visit: www.antipodeans.com.au

ASBA's - Australian School Based Apprenticeships

Students undertaking an accredited program and are interested in doing an ASBA are asked to see Helen for more information.

Work Experience

Work Experience is available for all students in Year 11 and 12. The database is located in the Careers Resource Centre. Come in, have a browse and put in an application. Semester 1 placements need to be finalised by the end of May. **Note:** Students interested in a Trade placement will need to have done their white card and asbestos training. See Helen, Terry or Annie for more information.

AIE Work Experience Program - The AIE Work Experience Program is in place to give students who are interested in a career in the video games, 3D animation and visual effects industries a chance to get some hands on experience. Students use industry standard software in a studio environment as they learn what it is like to be an independent developer in the digital creative industries. Places fill up fast, students need to apply early to ensure they don't miss out. www.aie.edu.au/workexperience

Popular WEX placements that fill up fast - If you are interested in Nursing or the Zoo, it is important to make an appointment with careers staff and register now for a placement

Employment/Volunteer Work

Volunteering opportunities see Helen

Stop Press - Reminders

The Young Worker Toolkit - The Australian Government has a website to help you find information about your workplace rights and obligations Visit <http://www.fairwork.gov.au/>

10 Step plan to your First job - The ACTU website offers a good reference list to help students organize themselves for their first job. Visit:

<http://www.worksite.actu.org.au/new-stuff/10-step-plan-to-your-first-job-plus-one-extra-step.aspx>

MoneySmart Rookie Campaign Learn more about managing your money, moving out of home, studying, budgeting, credit cards, debt and more. Visit:

www.moneysmart.gov.au/life-events-and-you/under-25s

RESUME Template - Available in hard copy in Careers or can be downloaded from the school website.

Need a TAX FILE NUMBER: Do you have a tax file number (TFN)? If you don't, you will need one soon- for employment, youth allowance or for the Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS). Schools no longer process the Tax File form. The application process requires you to apply online and visit your nearest Australian Post Office. For more information visit:

<https://www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Tax-file-number/Apply-for-a-TFN/>



Legal Info Sessions

Topic	Date
Your rights as an Employee	25 February
Tenancy and Shared Housing	31 March
Cyber Safety and the Law	28 April
Police Powers	26 May
Money and Debt	30 June
Your rights as an Employee	28 July
School—Rights and Responsibilities	25 August
Crimes and Court	29 September
Cars and Driving	27 October
Money and Debt	24 November

On the last Thursday of each month, Legal Aid will be providing legal info sessions for 12–25 year olds on a variety of topics.

If you need a bit more information about your rights and responsibilities, come along and ask some questions.

Time: 5.30pm—6.30pm

RSVP preferred. Light refreshments provided.

For more information call 6264 0200.



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BCS Youth Services

The corner@bcs is located on the corner of Swanson Court and Chandler St Belconnen. For more information, contact BCS on 6264 0200



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