FOCUS ON RESEARCHING CAREER OPTIONS
START PLANNING EARLY

You have just come back to school and if you are reading this, chances are that you are thinking about exploring your career and pathway options. It’s never too early to start thinking about career ideas, researching your options, developing a career action plan, or simply having a discussion with your Career Adviser.

If you are in Year 12, it is essential that you discuss your options with the key people in your life as soon as possible. Have no idea what you would like to do when you leave school? No stress! Don’t delay seeing your Career Adviser - now is the perfect time. Not sure what to say? Don’t worry - it’s their job to guide you and open up possibilities you may not have considered before.

As a starting point, if you are interested in studying at university or TAFE in the future, please find to the right links to Facebook and YouTube accounts of several Victorian institutions.

It is important to know that Swinburne University, RMIT, Victoria University, and Federation University have both university and TAFE divisions and that many TAFE institutes offer university degrees!

If you are interested in pursuing a traineeship or apprenticeship pathway, it is important that you gain as much industry experience as possible. You can undertake work experience once you turn 15 years old.

Seeing your Career Adviser early in the year is important to ensure you can get organised early and to be able to start making links with local employers.

It is important to read the Weekly Career News each week to ensure that you keep up to date with upcoming career events.

Happy reading!

FOCUS ON RESEARCHING CAREER OPTIONS
CONNECT WITH INSTITUTIONS

University of Melbourne
www.facebook.com/melbuni
http://bit.ly/1La8cD6

Monash University-
http://bit.ly/1K7k5yL
http://bit.ly/1NZfuti

Deakin University-
http://bit.ly/1SDtLUU
http://bit.ly/1Q4Ad6F

La Trobe University-
http://bit.ly/1T7SMan

Victoria University-

Charles Sturt University-
http://bit.ly/23Sg73z
http://bit.ly/1Q4ArL9

RMIT-
http://bit.ly/1NPXWFj

Federation University-
http://bit.ly/1NZf6ec

Box Hill Institute-
http://bit.ly/2lebZsN
http://bit.ly/20QtKOb

Swinburne University-
http://bit.ly/1ojTOmW
http://bit.ly/1SDuoxD

Australia Catholic University-
http://bit.ly/1Q2JENB
**FOCUS ON RESEARCHING CAREER OPTIONS**

**KEY WEBSITES**

**General websites – most courses/occupations**

- **Myfuture**: students will be able to explore courses, occupations, take a mini career quiz and an entrepreneurship quiz, and develop job-seeking skills, https://myfuture.edu.au/

- **The Good Careers Guide**: You can search over 400 different occupations narrowed down by the field or type of work you would like to do in the future (e.g., helping/advising), http://bit.ly/2a7Qr0Z

- **Good Universities Guide**: You will be able to find courses, compare university ratings, search for scholarships and explore careers, http://bit.ly/1N6a3Pk

- **QILT**: You can compare independent student ratings about different universities and courses, www.qilt.edu.au

- **Bullseye posters**: You can explore occupations related to your favourite school subjects, http://bit.ly/1svwa98

- **Student Edge**: videos and profiles of people working in various occupations, http://bit.ly/2aCpXSy


- **Ace Day Jobs**: stories about people working in interesting occupations, http://ab.co/2fqi8Cy

- **Youth Central**: career and job seeking resources, http://bit.ly/2fSwNXM

- **Skills Road**: similar to Myfuture: http://bit.ly/1DDCo8R

**Trades and vocational courses**


- **Plumbing Careers**: http://bit.ly/2asQfck

- **Australian Apprenticeship Pathways**: You will be able to undertake apprenticeship aptitude tests, find local apprenticeship and group training centres, and learn about different trade occupations, www.aapathways.com.au/


- **My Skills**: You can search for and explore vocational courses across Australia, learn about in demand jobs and watch videos of young people who have completed vocational training, http://bit.ly/1D8uek7

- **SkillsOne**: you can watch videos about different trades, www.skillsone.com.au/

- **Become a Bricklayer**, http://bit.ly/1XUkPcJ

- **Construct My Career**: careers in construction such as carpentry, surveying, security, and property services, http://bit.ly/2fMwyLI

- **Australian Glass & Glazing Association**: glass careers, http://bit.ly/2g9K27d


- **Make It**: careers in manufacturing such as metals, textiles, footwear, clothing, minerals, automotive etc., http://bit.ly/2fQQgbx
FOCUS ON RESEARCHING CAREER OPTIONS

ICT and Computer Science

- **I Choose Technology**: careers in information and communication technologies, http://bit.ly/2adStKy
- **Careers With Code**: careers in computer science and gaming, http://bit.ly/1UgX7Vf

Mathematics and Science

- **Scope TV**: leading scientists present stories about their research and discoveries, http://bit.ly/2f7EANE
- **Maths: make your career count**: explore careers in mathematics such as electrician and meteorologist, http://bit.ly/1WWajoe
- **Maths Adds**: view career profiles of people working in interesting maths careers, and also find out about how maths is used in careers such as hairdressing, building and nursing, http://bit.ly/2anSARy
- **True Engineer**: take the quiz to find out what type of engineering you would be suited to, https://trueengineer.com.au/

Allied Health and Community Services

- **Australian Society of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy**: Careers in Medical Radiation Science (Medical Imaging, Radiation Therapy, Nuclear Medicine), http://bit.ly/2g9h5Z0
- **My Health Career**: focuses on several allied health career areas, http://bit.ly/1PU45CH
- **Map My Health Career**: you can explore and compare different medicine specialisations, http://bit.ly/1zmoHWY
- **Community Services and Health Careers** such as nursing, aged care, nutrition, disability services etc., http://bit.ly/2fRwdYn
- **Care Careers**: careers in community services, http://bit.ly/2g6QYT2
- **Careers in Nursing and Midwifery**, http://bit.ly/2eWUt5U
- **Health Careers Kit**: developed by UNSW. Careers in the allied health industry, http://bit.ly/2eWT8Cn
FOCUS ON RESEARCHING CAREER OPTIONS
KEY WEBSITES

Primary Industries and Environment

- **Careers in Primary Industries/Agriculture**: [http://bit.ly/1Hm0jfk](http://bit.ly/1Hm0jfk)
- **Rural Careers Australia**: careers in agriculture, horticulture, animal care and land management, [www.ruralcareers.net.au/](http://www.ruralcareers.net.au/)
- **Agrifood Careers**: careers in industries such as horticulture, animal care, agriculture, and conservation and land management, [http://bit.ly/1OY6tkF](http://bit.ly/1OY6tkF)
- **Career Harvest**: Careers in agriculture, food and fiber, [http://bit.ly/1f0m8jW](http://bit.ly/1f0m8jW)

Security, Defence and Emergency Services

- **Country Fire Authority**: recruitment process, [http://bit.ly/1oL4xH3](http://bit.ly/1oL4xH3)

FOCUS ON RESEARCHING CAREER OPTIONS
KEY WEBSITES

Logistics, Transport, Shipping, Mapping

- **Rail Careers**: careers in the rail industry, [http://railcareers.net.au/](http://railcareers.net.au/)

Built Environment

- **A Life Without Limits**: careers in surveying, [http://bit.ly/1I8GVkL](http://bit.ly/1I8GVkL)

Business and Law


Exercise Science and Sport


Music

Ask an industry professional about their career!
The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) is currently looking for Year 12 students to participate in VTACmag’s 30 Minute Mentor. Successful applicants will be paired with a mentor who will answer questions about their industry and what it’s like to work in their field of interest day to day. Mentors last year included a psychologist, a photographer and a pathologist. If you are interested, send an email to VTAC with the subject line “30 minute mentor” and tell them the following:

• Name, school, phone number and email address
• What do you hope to study next year or in the future?
• What job/s are you interested in when you finish studying?
• Why do you want to participate in 30 Minute Mentor?
• What are three questions you would like to ask a mentor?
• What kind of person would you like as a 30 minute mentor? What job do they have? Do you have anyone in particular in mind?

Email this to publishing@vtac.edu.au by Friday 24 February to register your interest.

UPCOMING EVENTS - FEBRUARY

Are you considering studying medicine, dentistry or optometry in the future? You may need to study the Undergraduate Medical Admissions Test (UMAT) - https://umat.acer.edu.au/. On the 11th of February the National Institute of Education (NIE) will be conducting a full day UMAT preparation workshop. All details are available via www.nie.edu.au

Australia National University (ANU) – Tuckwell Scholarship Roadshow: If you are considering studying at ANU in the future, you should consider attending a Tuckwell Scholarship information session. Dates are as follows:

- Geelong – Monday 13 February
- Melbourne – Tuesday 14 February
- Canberra – Tuesday 14 February
- Albury – Wednesday 22 February

For information and to register, go to http://bit.ly/2l938g2

TVSA Pilot Training Open Day: At this open day you will be able to:

• Get an insight into the world of aviation
• Listen to Commercial Pilots speak about their career
• Experience piloting an aircraft first hand
• Test your skills on the Simulated Flight Experience
• Explore the training grounds.

The day will be held on Saturday 25 February at Bacchus Marsh, Victoria. For information on the event and to register your place, go to http://bit.ly/2jSGYJ

AFS Student Exchange: If you are interested in participating in an overseas exchange program or would like to find out more about becoming a host family, AFS runs over 100 online and face to face information seminars each year. For a list of upcoming online February events, go to http://bit.ly/2khkSnX

MARCH

Blue Mountains Hotel School (BMHS) Open Day: BMHS offer university level courses in hospitality, international hotel and resort management, international event management and global business management. The next open day will be held Saturday 11 March at the Leura, NSW campus. For information and to book your place, go to http://bit.ly/1MFVHTf

Melbourne University – ‘Meet Melbourne’: The University will be visiting several regional locations to give students and parents the chance to talk to staff about courses and career outcomes, and unique opportunities to enrich your degree such as studying a concurrent diploma or going on exchange, housing options, scholarships and student services etc. Events are being held at the following locations in March:

- 14: Bendigo
- 22: Geelong

For more information and to register, go to http://bit.ly/2lec1Sd