WARRANTY HIGH SCHOOL
CAREER NEWS APRIL 2012

REMINDERS:
• ‘At Monash’ Seminars. Where can a degree take you? Info: 1800 Monash or 9903 4810; Reg’n/locations: www.monash.edu/seminars
• Experience La Trobe’. Year 10-12; workshops, student life; check out the campus; 3 July at La Trobe (Bundoora); Register: www.latrobe.edu.au/experience.

HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT THE MYFUTRE WEBSITE LATELY at www.myfuture.gov.au? A great website for exploring and planning your career. Have a look at it today....

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS –
BACHELOR OF FINE ART - The Uni. of Melbourne plans to introduce two new specialisations into the Bachelor of Fine Art at the Southbank campus in 2013 – Animation and Screen Writing (subject to accreditation). These will be in addition to the contemporary music, dance, film and television, music theatre, production, theatre practice and visual art programs already offered.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT MELBOURNE - If you are thinking about studying engineering at Melbourne, you might want to apply for the Paterson Scholarship of $4,000pa for the length of an appropriate undergraduate degree. Applicants will need to complete an application form and provide copies of their VCE results along with a letter addressing the selection criteria (including financial need). Browse scholarships at www.services.unimelb.edu.au/scholarships/ugrad.

DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT ABOUT STUDYING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE?
Then ‘Meet Melbourne’ may be the program for you. This program involves Uni of Melbourne visits to regional and some metropolitan centres, aiming to give information about courses and careers, scholarships, entry requirements and so on. Sessions are being held at Albury, Ballarat, Bendigo, Caroline Springs, Dandenong, Frankston, Geelong, Glen Waverley, Hamilton, Sale, Shepparton, Warrigal, and Warrnambool. For details and Registration, go to: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/meetmelbourne.

Alternatively, ‘Access All Areas 2012’ may suit you. This is a series of events especially designed for Year 10-12 students and their families, offering a personalised insight into the University. Find out about undergraduate degrees and graduate pathways, opportunities to enrich your degree (eg concurrent diplomas, exchange and study abroad), admission and entry requirements, Access Melbourne and scholarships, accommodation and transition programs. When: 9am-3pm, 13 July and 27 Sept; Where: Parkville campus; Cost: Free, but limited places; Register: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/accessallareas.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT VICTORIA UNI (VU) – The Faculty of Health, Engineering and Science awards a number of scholarships up to the value of $20,000 to students who have achieved an ATAR of 80 or above. See the VU website along with eligibility criteria and application forms. Get info on 9919 2009, daryl.cornish@vu.edu.au.

VCE CHEMISTRY AND BIOLOGY REVISION LECTURES AT MONASH – These monthly revision lectures will help prepare you for your exams. The seminars are designed to encourage revision throughout the year, clarifying and consolidating concepts as they are introduced in the classroom. When: Biology 4-5pm, Chemistry 5.30-6.30pm, 23 May, 6 June, 18 July, 22 Aug and 19 Sept; Where: Monash Parkville campus, 381 Royal Parade; Register: (free), but registration essential: www.pharm.monash.edu/events or call 9903 9504. You can attend both Biology and Chemistry if you wish, with afternoon tea provided.
PARENTS AS CAREER TRANSITION SUPPORT (PACTS) – Parents often want help in planning the future for their child with a mild intellectual disability. Do you need to know more about education and training? Would you like to meet representatives from different services? PACTS has two information workshops for parents of secondary school students from 15 years of age. **When:** 6-8pm, 18 April and 2 May; **Where:** Montrose Town Centre Library Room, 935 Mt Dandenong Tourist Rd, Montrose; **Book:** Cherie Messerie, cmesserie@oellen.org.au, 9723 2717.

BIG SCIENCE, SMALL SCIENCE (BSSS) - Is RMIT’s new way of delivering science straight to young minds through Facebook. The page is regularly updated with scientific articles, quizzes, facts, polls and events. Check it out at www.facebook.com/rmitscience.

A CAREER IN LEGAL SERVICES – Are you aware of the jobs available in the legal sector apart for becoming a solicitor or barrister? Law clerks, paralegals and legal executives may be employed by law firms, government departments, legal aid organisations, financial institutions, corporations and court registries. They perform legal work on behalf of clients under the supervision of a lawyer and can specialise in areas such as litigation, conveyancing, personal injury compensation, criminal law, family law, probate or corporate law. More about courses/careers: www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad015.

**NOTE:** Undergraduate law degrees can be studied at Australian Catholic (from 2013), Deakin, La Trobe, Monash and Victoria universities. Postgraduate studies in law can be taken at Melbourne and RMIT universities.

DO YOU WANT TO BE AN INTERIOR DESIGNER? One question you first need to ask yourself is, do I know the difference between an interior designer and an interior decorator? An interior designer designs and supervises the construction of building interiors, so, among other things, they need an understanding of building construction. To work in this field you would usually have at least a diploma such as the Diploma of Interior Decoration and Design, offered at several TAFE Institutes, however, many interior designers have a university degree such as Interior Architecture from Monash or Interior Design from RMIT or Swinburne. Interior decorators, on the other hand, plan and implement decoration of homes, offices and so on (eg colour schemes, lighting, and furniture) and would often complete the Diploma of Interior Decoration and Design. Most courses require applicants to attend an interview and folio presentation as part of the application process at the end of Year 12 (all except Interior Design at Swinburne Uni which selects on ATAR). Thus, prospective applicants need to attend Open Days to find out more about the course for which they are applying, and to help them decide at which institution they prefer to study. It is also important to be able to explain at the interview why you prefer a particular institution – very difficult to answer if you have never been there!

Students interested in design might also consider studying architecture, industrial design, communication or graphic design, building design (architectural), product design, fashion design or visual merchandising.

UNDERGRADUATE MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES ADMISSION TEST (UMAT) – Registrations open in early April (see www.umat.acer.edu.au). Registration deadline is Fri 1 June; the **test date is Wed 25 July, 2012. Reminder:** This test is used as part of the selection process for students applying for Monash University medicine, pharmacy, pharmacy/commerce and physiotherapy (and for many interstate degrees).

RMIT NEWS – RMIT provides higher and vocational education to more than 70,000 students in Australia and overseas. RMIT offers degrees, double degrees, associate degrees, dual awards, advanced diplomas, diplomas, apprenticeships and traineeships, providing pathways so that students can easily move between TAFE and university courses.

**What about a career in Construction or Project Management, Property or Valuation?**

- RMIT offers the **Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management)**, a degree which trains construction managers, quantity surveyors, building managers and builders
- The **B. App. Sci. (Project Management)** which trains project managers in building, IT, finance and general business
- The **B. App. Sci. (Property)** which trains property investment and management, consultancy and property finance
- The **B. App. Sci. (Valuation)** which trains in valuation, property investment and management, consultancy and property finance

**(NOTE:** All the above degrees have a common first year and involve supervised work in industry).
These degrees are accredited world-wide and are accredited by professional bodies like PMI, API, RICS and AIB. Work-related learning involved produces industry-ready graduates who gain employment experience in industry, and preferential access to key industry employers.

www.rmit.edu.au/propertyconstruction/employerchoice

International study tours are available and many students go on exchange to overseas universities as part of their degree.

New Bachelor of Engineering (Electronic Product Design) degree for RMIT in 2012 – This degree includes aspects of industrial design, electronics, and computer systems. Artistic design flair is needed for this course, and there will be some studio-based subjects in graphic design. Employment will be in manufacturing and innovation and in product design and development.

New double degrees at RMIT- Double degrees are a great way to study a broader range of subjects, and to get further qualifications in a shorter time. New for 2013 at RMIT are:

- Chemical engineering and pharmaceutical sciences
- Food technology and management
- Biotechnology and biomedical science
- Aviation and management
- Mechanical engineering and management
- Mechanical engineering and industrial design
- Engineering (Advanced manufacturing and mechanical) and international business.

What about Medical Sciences at RMIT? RMIT offers a range of medical science programs:

- Biomedical science
- Exercise and sports science
- Laboratory science
- Medical radiations
- Pharmaceutical sciences
- Pharmacy
- Physical education

The Bachelor of Aviation Management is designed to meet the growing need by airlines for pilots to have tertiary qualifications in addition to a commercial pilot license. Although it is not essential for pilots to have qualifications in IT or Management, preference tends to be given to applicants who hold a tertiary qualification. The program has a strong practical focus and will facilitate pilots transitioning from their flying career to management roles if they chose to do so.

PATHWAYS TO DEAKIN UNIVERSITY –

Do you know that if you miss out on a place at university you have the option of studying a diploma at Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology (MIBT)? Upon successful completion of the diploma students are eligible for a place in second year of a Deakin University bachelor degree program (conditions apply). Deakin and MIBT have been in partnership since 1996 when the pathway program was launched. With increasing competition for university places, alternative entry pathways have become important for many students, as well as providing smaller classes and personalised support. Courses are available in commerce, computing, engineering, health sciences, management, media and communication and science.

Box Hill Institute has important links with Deakin, with some courses commencing with a diploma at Box Hill and finishing with a Deakin degree. For example, the Bachelor of Management/Advanced Diploma of Tourism commences with a semester at Box Hill (or The Gordon), with students gradually spending more time at Deakin to complete their degree. Students gain and advanced diploma and a degree in three years (with a bonus of paying lower fees for the TAFE part of the course). Last year’s ATAR for this course was 52.45.

CAREERS EXPO COMING SOON – Don’t forget to put the dates in your diary. For many years ‘The Age’ have run the VCE and CAREERS EXPO. There will be 190 exhibitors with VCE resources, tertiary courses and career information along with presentations on VCE subjects, tertiary courses, career and study advice.

When: Thurs 3 & Fri 4 May, 9am-3pm; Sat 5 & Sun 6 May, 10am-4pm; Where: Caulfield Racecourse; Admission: $10; Info: ‘The Age’, Monday 30 April or vceandcareers.com.au.
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN SPORTS MEDICINE? Olympic Park Sports Medicine Centre is conducting the annual Careers in Sports Medicine Evening. Practitioners from areas such as nutrition, sports medicine, podiatry, psychology, massage, physiotherapy and exercise physiology will give short talks. **When:** 6.30-7pm (Registration), 7.30-9pm, (Talks), Wed 23 May; **Where:** AAMI Park Stadium, 60 Olympic Blvd, Entrance F, Gate 4, Corporate Entrance, Olympic Room 3; **Cost:** $25 per student (parent no charge); **Registration:** [http://www.trybooking.com/BHCW](http://www.trybooking.com/BHCW).

LOOKING FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP? If so, it is likely that you will need to complete a **pre-apprenticeship** course first. These teach the basics of the trade involved, making it much easier to obtain an apprenticeship. They take around six months. Enquire at your local TAFE Institute. If you need assistance obtaining an apprenticeship you are advised to contact a Group Training Company. They are located throughout Victoria – ph 1800 819 747 or [www.grouptraining.com.au](http://www.grouptraining.com.au).

**GET REAL EXPERIENCE AT RMIT.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Experience Offered</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2-6 July</td>
<td>Medical Laboratory Visits</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 July</td>
<td>Experience Art &amp; Design</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 July</td>
<td>Experience Computing, Animation and IT day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4 July</td>
<td>Experience Aerospace, Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 or 6 July</td>
<td>Experience Electrical and Computer Engineering Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 July</td>
<td>Experience Advertising, Marketing and PR Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11 July</td>
<td>Experience Community Justice Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12 July</td>
<td>Experience Health and Medical Science Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27-28 Sept</td>
<td>Nuclear Medicine Lab Visits</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Compiled by J. Miller/M. Walker