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VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

New University of Canberra Public Hospital: ACT Chief Minister Katy Gallagher and University Vice-Chancellor Stephen Parker have signed an agreement, paving the way for work to begin on designing the new University of Canberra Public Hospital. The hospital is an important part of the University’s health precinct, which includes a new super clinic and health clinics due to open shortly. Watch the video here: http://www.canberra.edu.au/monitor/2014/jan/23-hospital

Are you interested in an apprenticeship pathway? The Australian Industry Group Apprenticeship Adviser Program has a Facebook page called ApprenticeNET, which is a tool to interact with students seeking information on apprenticeships. The page has tips for finding apprenticeships, handling interviews, and keeping motivated on the job. You can sign up to the page at www.facebook.com/ApprenticeNet

Keep in touch with La Trobe University: Just by registering to ‘keep in touch’ with La Trobe and receive their updates via email, you will go into the draw to win $6000 in Qantas travel vouchers. To register, fill out the online form at this link http://latrobe.custhelp.com/ci/documents/detail/2/keep

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Early Achievers Program at Australia Catholic University: This is an early entry program that takes into account factors other than just your ATAR for admission into courses. Other factors include evidence of community service, leadership, school participation etc. If you are accepted into the program, you will be guaranteed entry into their degrees with a minimum ATAR, providing you also meet prerequisites. ACU have just announced the minimum ATARs for the 2015 intake

• 70 – Law, all dual Law degrees, and Physiotherapy
• 65- Occupational Therapy & Speech Pathology
• 58.5- all other degrees.


Considering an Electrical Apprenticeship? The National Electrical and Communications Association (NECA) provide a national pre selection test for young people interested in applying for electrical apprenticeships. The test measures literacy, numeracy and comprehension. For more information on test dates/locations, please go to www.neca.asn.au

Have you considered bricklaying as a career? Bricklayers lay clay bricks and concrete blocks using mortar. They are masters of their profession and create beautiful brick and blockwork in domestic homes and commercial buildings working to specific plans and as part of a team. The work of bricklayers can be seen all around you. There is a shortage of qualified builders in Australia. For information about this exciting industry, go to www.becomeabricklayer.com.au/
**WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES**

**Information Technology at Monash University:** The University is offering work experience placements to students interested in information technology during their annual Computer Games Boot Camp, which runs between Saturday 5 – Friday 11 July. You will be involved in areas such as

- Broadcast production
- Project management
- Activity coordination
- Technical support
- Media

To apply, see your school's Work Experience Coordinator, https://cgbc.infotech.monash.edu/general/attendees/work-experience.html

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**VicRoads:** Work experience placements at VicRoads give students the opportunity to experience the relationship between school studies and the world of work, develop a greater awareness of their abilities and help them make appropriate career choices. Work experience is offered in the following areas:

- Engineering
- Finance / Accounting
- Human Resources
- Legal
- Graphic Design
- Media / Communications
- Information Technology

To apply, go to https://vicroads.taleo.net/careersection/workexp/joblist.ftl?lang=en

**Victorian Work Experience Directory:** This is a website which enables you to search for work experience opportunities in Victoria. Most placements are in Melbourne and surrounding suburbs. http://www.workexperiencedirectory.com.au/work-experience-victoria/Work-Experience-Victoria

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Next Generation Youth Forum:** The Next Generation Youth Forum, hosted by La Trobe University, gives Year 10, 11 & 12 secondary school leaders the opportunity to participate in a day of workshops on leadership and social justice topics. The keynote address will be delivered by a high-achieving young person to inspire the next generation of leaders. This year's Forum will be held 23 May. For more information and to register, go to http://www.latrobe.edu.au/next-gen

**YMCA Victoria Youth Parliament:** is a program designed to give young Victorians between the ages of 16 – 25 a chance to be heard at the highest levels of State Government, on a wide range of issues relevant to young people’s lives. Applications are now open. For more information, go to http://www.vicyouth.ymca.org.au/programs/youth-parliament.html

**Online Open Day at the Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE):** If you're interested in AIE's online courses then their Online Open Day is an ideal opportunity to find out more. Course overview sessions will be running on the range of online courses in 3D animation, game programming and game design on 15 March between 10am and 1pm, http://www.aie.edu.au/announcements/online-open-day-march15th-2014

**UNSW Indigenous Winter School 2014:** Winter School is a program specifically for Indigenous students in years 10, 11 and 12. The week long residential program is designed to provide students with the opportunity to experience what university life is all about, through participation in academic lectures and tutorials, presentations, study sessions, cultural activities and more. The program including accommodation is provided at no cost and will run Sunday 6 July – Saturday 12 July, http://www.nuragili.unsw.edu.au/winterschool.html
Engineering Information Evening at UNSW:
Parents and students are invited to this event being held Wednesday March 19 at the Kensington Campus. All engineering schools will be represented to ensure you can have your questions answered. For more information and to register, go to http://www.eng.unsw.edu.au/student-parent

Meet Melbourne University: University staff will be visiting regional Victorian centres and selected Melbourne metropolitan locations to give students and parents in the area the chance to find out more about:

- Scholarships, accommodation, course costs, student services
- Courses and career outcomes, including the Melbourne degrees and graduate pathways
- Unique opportunities to enrich your degree such as studying a concurrent diploma or going on exchange
- Access Melbourne scheme

For a list of dates and locations, go to http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/meet_melbourne_2014

The Age VCE & Careers Expo: This is a fantastic annual event which enables senior school students and their parents to be able to participate in a diverse range of over 150 seminars related to VCE subjects, gap year opportunities, vocational and higher education courses, career pathways and VCE study skills.

Over 190 organisations will be in attendance, enabling students to be able to talk to course and program advisers directly about their services. Cost is $10 per student and schools have been sent free passes.

The event is being held at Caulfield Racecourse between Thursday 8 to Sunday 11 May. To find out more, go to www.vceandcareers.com.au


26: Engineers Australia Careers Expo, Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre, www.engineeringexpo.org.au

At Monash Seminar Series: Dates for March are as follows

- 6: Nursing, Midwifery & Emergency Health
- 12: Business & Economics
- 13: Science
- 18: Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy
- 19: Information Technology
- 20: Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences
- 25: Arts (Social Sciences and Humanities)
- 26: Design & Fine Art
- 27: Teaching, Sport & Outdoor Recreation

For more information and to register, go to www.monash.edu/seminars

Charles Sturt University MyDay events

- 14: Accounting, Business & IT, Albury-Wodonga
- 18: Nursing & Paramedics, Bathurst
- 21: Arts, Psychology & Social Work, Wagga Wagga

For more information and to register, go to http://www.csu.edu.au/go/myday


Meet Melbourne University, Bendigo (19), Sale (25), Warragul (26), http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/meet_melbourne_2014