



CAREER NEWS

Term 2, Week 3 2024

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What Career Is Right For Me?

Australian Career Quiz

This free quiz will help you discover the Australian industries and careers that are right for you. This quiz is unique because the results will tell you about real Australian companies that you could work for. Here at Explore Careers, we have partnered with hundreds of Australian employers to help high school students learn what job suits them. Click the start quiz button above and learn what job you should have.

START QUIZ



GENERATIVE AI AND HOW IT CAN HELP PREPARE FOR A JOB INTERVIEW

This information is taken from a Sydney Morning Herald (SMH) article February 24-25, 2024... story by Tomas Chamorro-Premuzic.

Though AI recruitment tools have historically catered to employers and hiring managers, generative AI (or GenAI) is now empowering job seekers to improve their ability to get hired. With the right strategy and prompts, you can leverage these platforms as if they were digital career coaches – bespoke virtual agents who can help reduce your anxieties and educate you on what to expect during the interview process, as well as how to approach it.

If you're interested in experimenting, here are some easy ways to leverage GenAI ahead of your next job interview to set yourself up for success.

1 BE AWARE OF THE LIMITATIONS

Before we jump into the benefits of GenAI, it's important to acknowledge a few caveats you should keep in mind as you experiment with these tools.

- Don't assume that all information provided is bullet-proof. Treat anything you learn – good and bad – with a pinch of salt and healthy degree of scepticism. Cross-checking your research with different tools, reading up on public forums and paying particular attention to recurrent themes will help you separate the signals from the noise.

- Remember that human behaviour is never fully predictable. No person or tool can tell you exactly what your interviewer is going to be thinking. This will depend on their individual backgrounds, preferences, implicit biases, professional trainings, personality traits – and even their mood on the day, among other factors.

- The point with GenAI and any technology is not perfection. Rather, it's giving us an incremental improvement over the status quo. It's allowing us to do better than we could do without it. In that sense, treat GenAI as another tool in your toolkit. Use it to the degree that it is useful – even if it is simply to ease your anxiety and become more familiar with the interview process.

Now, let's dive into how you can use GenAI to your advantage.

2 USE IT TO GATHER INTEL ON THE COMPANY CULTURE

A company may look perfect for you on paper, but there's really no way to gauge the company culture until you start working there, right? Not exactly.

As I illustrate in my latest book, *I, Human: AI, Automation, and the Quest to Reclaim What Makes Us Unique*, the AI age has democratised access to information on both jobs and company culture. Sites like Glassdoor now function like a Yelp for employers, and rankings on great places to work – with detailed characterisations of companies – are widely available. Among other data, these resources can fuel GenAI engines, which can then provide you with quick and easy intel to assess the employee experience at different firms.

Prior to your interview, it will be useful to do a little research in this area. GenAI can help you identify any red flags you should look for as you enter into and continue the interview process.

As an example, I asked ChatGPT 4 (A) about the culture at a large, global technology company. This is a lightly edited excerpt of the conversation:

P: What kind of culture should I expect if I join (company X)?

A: Joining (company X), you can expect a company culture that emphasises several key aspects: recognition and reward, empowerment and self-development, teamwork and collaboration, empathy and growth mindset, evolution of performance management, internal mobility and talent development, continuous feedback and adaptation.

P: What are the downsides/negatives of (company X's) culture?

A: Aversion to conflict, toxic management, and diversity and inclusion.

Remember: There's no point in being accepted for a role at an organisation you won't end up liking. To perform to your full potential, it's generally beneficial to land a job that aligns with your preferences, values, interests and dispositions.

3 USE IT TO UNPACK THE KEYWORDS IN THE JOB DESCRIPTION

Just like GenAI can scrape data on company culture, it can gather valuable information from job boards and job listings. Namely, it can break down the main skills, attributes and values associated with certain jobs.

To prep for your interview, choose a few keywords or skills highlighted in the job description and ask GenAI to tell you a little more about what companies generally look for when analysing them. For instance, if you're applying for a role that's looking for someone who's savvy at business development, you could use the following prompt:

P: Name the top three personality traits, values and skills associated with people who are great at business development.

A: Personality traits: relationship building, strategic thinking, adaptability. Values: integrity, persistence, collaboration. Skills: communication skills, analytical skills, project management.

With this insight, you can plan to focus on some of these attributes in your answers to interview questions. When asked about overcoming a challenge, think about stories that demonstrate your ability to adapt and change directions. When asked about a great accomplishment, choose one that demonstrates your communication and project management skills.

While GenAI is not perfect, it can help you identify and amplify qualities that will make you seem like a natural fit for the job.

4 USE IT TO GET GUIDANCE ON POTENTIAL INTERVIEW QUESTIONS AND HOW TO ANSWER THEM

There are many potential prompts to help you prepare. For instance, you can ask GenAI what kind of interview questions are most common, how to best answer them and what a hiring manager would typically try to assess. You can also ask about what mistakes you should try to avoid, what sort of body language or non-verbal communication cues you may attend to, as well as best practices for interview etiquette.

Some generic prompts (and illustrative answers) to help with this:

P: What are some of the most common questions asked in job interviews?

A: Tell me about yourself; why do you want to work in this company; what are your greatest strengths and weakness; tell me about a challenging situation and how you handled it; where do you see yourself in five years?

P: How should I answer the dreaded question about what my greatest weakness is?

A: Identify a genuine weakness that is honest and relevant for the job, but not a critical job requirement. Show self-awareness, explaining how you became aware of it. Discuss actions taken to address it, including personal training and learning initiatives to mitigate it. Highlight progress and results, and end on a positive note.

For example: One of my greatest weaknesses has been my public speaking skills. I realised this during a presentation at my previous job when I noticed I was feeling anxious and struggled to convey my ideas effectively. To address this, I enrolled in a public speaking course and joined a local Toastmasters club.

Over time, I've seen significant improvement in my confidence and ability to engage an audience. I recognise that communication is crucial in this role, and I'm committed to further honing my public speaking skills to contribute more effectively to team discussions and client presentations.

P: What are some examples of bad behavioural etiquette to avoid in job interviews?

A: Arriving late, inappropriate attire, lack of preparation, interrupting the interviewers, not making eye contact, showing nervousness, neglecting the question, bringing up sensitive topics.

When crafting your prompts, try various commands. The more detail and nuances you provide – context about your background, experience and skillsets or specifics about the job, company and requirements – the more useful and relevant responses you'll receive.

Here are a few examples of how you can add context to your prompts surrounding interview questions:

- I'm new to the workforce and applying for a marketing co-ordinator role, what questions should I expect?
- I've just finished my college degree in business administration, what could a job interviewer ask me regarding the relevant job skills I have developed during my studies?
- I'm interviewing for my first management position and have never supervised or managed a team before. How will a recruiter or hiring manager assess whether I have the relevant experience or knowledge to manage a team?

5 HOLD MOCK INTERVIEW SESSIONS.

If you have specific answers to interview questions in mind, and want to see what hiring managers might make of them, ask GenAI to play that role – and to give you honest, critical feedback on how to improve.

Some GenAI tools are specifically designed to hold mock interview simulations in which GenAI plays the role of an interviewer or interviewee (you can alternate roles).

Others, such as ChatGPT, can evaluate your an-

swers if you paste them in the chat box on the platform and ask the tool to give you feedback.

Here's an example:

P: Imagine I'm a job candidate answering the below question during an interview. I will provide some answers and you can tell me what job interviewers are likely to think, and what I can do to improve.

Question: Do you enjoy working with others?

My answer: Sometimes. When they agree with me and share my values. However, when they think differently, I tend to find them rather obnoxious, so prefer to work alone.

A: Here's what interviewers might think and how you can improve your answer:

- **Lack of teamwork:** Your response suggests a preference for working alone and a potential difficulty in collaborating with colleagues who have different perspectives. This could raise concerns about your ability to function effectively in a team-oriented work environment.
- **Close-mindedness:** Stating that you find people "obnoxious" when they have differing opinions or values could be perceived as close-minded and intolerant. Employers often value diversity of thought and expect employees to work well with colleagues with varying viewpoints.
- **Negative attitude:** The overall tone of your response is negative, which may not leave a favourable impression. Interviewers typically seek candidates who are positive, adaptable and open to different working styles and personalities.

A more positive and effective response might be: I do enjoy working with others. Collaboration can lead to innovative solutions and a richer work environment. I appreciate diversity in thought and perspective because it often brings fresh ideas to the table.

While I may have my own opinions and values, I believe in open communication and constructive discussions to find common ground and reach our goals together. In the end, I believe that working as a team allows us to achieve more than we could individually.

This revised response demonstrates a more open and adaptable approach to teamwork, which is generally more appealing to potential employers.

Even in the simple examples I provided, it's clear that GenAI has a great deal of expertise – not to mention common sense – on how to improve our interview performance. Importantly, the more you play around with customising prompts and experimenting with questions and answers, the better equipped you will be.

Here are a few more basic prompts you can use to initiate a mock interview exercise:


- I'm applying for an interview in X role. Pretend you are the interviewer and ask typical questions in this context.
- Now tell me what you think of my answers, and how I can improve them.
- Now tell me how you would answer these questions if you were a top candidate
- Now let's repeat this with other questions/answers.

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NESA STUDENTS ONLINE ACCOUNT

Students in Year 10 - 12 have a NESA Students Online account. The account holds details about each student's name, address, subjects and results (as they become available). From their account, students can obtain their eRecord and Record of School Achievement (RoSA) or HSC results.

To access their account, students need to activate their account. Most students in Years 10 – 12 have activated their account. The information below is from NESA about Students Online accounts.



Education Standards Authority

STUDENTS ONLINE
for NSW students in years 10 to 12

Welcome to Students Online

- ✓ **Activate your Account!**

Make sure your school has added an email to your NESA record or else you cannot activate your account.

 - Go to <https://studentsonline.nesa.nsw.edu.au/>
 - Click on – 'Activate account'
 - **Have your school give you your NESA number** – you will need it to activate and log on
- ✓ **PERSONAL DETAILS** - Check your name, address and contact details

You can add/change your address, email and phone number
ONLY your school can update your name. Your name in Students Online MUST be the same as your legal documentation (for example, birth certificate or passport).
- ✓ **ENROLMENTS/RESULTS** - Check your courses

Are you in the right courses? If not, go to your school and get that fixed.
Check the messages down the bottom of the page – Are there any errors in red? Check with your school.
- ✓ **MESSAGES** – Where all your PDF results will go that you order through Results Services AND your Minimum Standard Results can be viewed here.
- ✓ **CERTIFICATES/eRecord** – Click here if you want to get a free PDF of your eRecord/RoSA/VET certificates or HSC package when you are eligible

Final tips:

- Get your NESA student number from your school (it is on your Confirmation of Entry) and save it somewhere you can access any time (e.g. phone)
- If it says it does not recognise the number – You may need to Activate your Account
- Once you activate your account save your NESA 6-digit PIN in a secure place
- As soon as you activate – log in – go to Personal details – fix your email to your personal email

DISCOVER AG EXPO – 26 JUNE



Formally called AgVision, Discover Ag is returning for students to discover their future career in the Agricultural sector! This careers expo is not just for students interested in agriculture. We will have experts working in business, primary production, product design, engineering, data science, veterinary and more

The 2024 Discover Ag event will have morning and afternoon sessions that enable students to roam the event and engage with all the presenters that draw their interest. The unique part of Discover Ag is the 3 x 30-minute sessions between morning tea and lunch.

Students select their sessions in the morning after seeing what careers are on offer and get to learn more in depth about the day-to-day life of someone in that career and their journey to get where they are today.

Date: Wednesday 26th June 2024

Cost: \$15 per student

Where: Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park

For more information, visit [Discover Ag \(rasnsw.com.au\)](https://rasnsw.com.au)

Opportunities for Indigenous Students

The Wollotuka Emerging Days offer our students a unique opportunity to experience campus life alongside peers who share similar interests. They'll have the chance to explore a wide range of degree options through engaging activities and experiences.

12th of June - Wollotuka Emerging Day at Ourimbah Campus

- Environmental Science & Management
- Coastal Marine Science
- Oral Health
- Podiatry
- Education
- Psychology
- Exercise & Sports Science
- Tourism, Events & Hospitality
- Australian Defence Force



17th of June - Wollotuka Emerging Day at Central Coast Clinical School:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Biomedical Science
- Paramedicine



26th June - UAC Supper Night at Ourimbah Campus

The UAC Supper Night is designed especially for our Year 12 students and their families. It's an excellent opportunity for them to learn about the extensive student support services, scholarships, accommodation options, entry requirements, and pathways available through Wollotuka and the University of Newcastle. Additionally, students will receive assistance with their UAC applications on the night, followed by a relaxed dinner where they can address any concerns they may have.



Guaranteed Accommodation Offer – Early Entry Program

Year 12 students who receive a **first round offer** via our [Early Entry Program](#) will be eligible to receive a guaranteed accommodation offer.

How do I apply for a guaranteed student accommodation offer?

To receive a guaranteed accommodation offer, eligible students must follow the steps below:

1. Accept your first round Early Entry Program offer to study in 2025, by **Tuesday 12 September 2024** and;
2. Complete your 2025 accommodation application via the [Student Living portal](#) **between 4pm Thursday 12 September and 5pm Thursday 19 September 2024**.

If you choose to change your degree program, you may still be eligible for guaranteed accommodation if you meet the requirements for early entry and apply/accept within the timelines.

How do I apply for a prioritised student accommodation offer?

For applicants that receive a second or third round Early Entry Program offer to study in 2025 (released 19 September and 4 October), Student Living will prioritise your accommodation application once a completed accommodation application is received and you've emailed us as detailed below.

Once you've lodged your accommodation application please contact Student Living at studentliving@newcastle.edu.au so that we may confirm your eligibility for a prioritised accommodation offer.

Please note:

- The guarantee / prioritisation is for an offer to live on campus. Whilst we will try to offer an applicant their top room preference this is not always possible and you may receive a second, third or fourth preference offer.
- Not all prioritised applications can receive an accommodation offer due to demand.
- If you choose to defer your studies you will need to re-apply for accommodation as per the standard process and enter the non-guaranteed/prioritised pool of applicants. The guarantee / prioritisation only applies for those commencing studies and on-campus living in Semester 1 2025.
- A list of excluded postcodes is below and is in place to prioritise those living out of our campus' local areas.

***Guaranteed/prioritised accommodation at Callaghan** excludes students located in the following postcodes: 2259, 2261, 2262, 2263, 2264, 2265, 2267, 2278, 2280, 2281, 2282, 2283, 2284, 2285, 2286, 2290, 2287, 2289, 2290, 2291, 2292, 2293, 2294, 2295, 2296, 2297, 2298, 2299, 2300, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2315, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2319, 2320, 2321, 2322, 2323, 2324, 2325, 2326, 2327, 2334, 2335, 2420, 2421.

***Guaranteed/prioritised accommodation at Ourimbah** excludes students located in the following postcodes: 2071, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, , 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2096, 2097, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2156, 2157, 2158, 2159, 2250, 2251, 2256, 2257, 2258, 2259, 2260, 2261, 2262, 2263, 2264, 2265, 2267, 2280, 2281, 2282, 2283, 2284, 2286, 2306, 2325, 2756, 2775.

General 2025 On-Campus Accommodation Applications

General 2025 on-campus accommodation applications / non Early Entry Program applications open on **Wednesday 25 September at 10:00am**.

As our on-campus accommodation is extremely competitive, we encourage all students to make an accommodation application as soon as possible for the best chance at receiving an offer to live on-campus.

For further information about on-campus accommodation options please visit the [Student Living website](#).

University of Newcastle Early Entry Program + General Admission Information

EARLY ENTRY PROGRAM

Apply direct to the University for free!

Open to current domestic Year 12 students completing NSW HSC, ACT SSC or NSW/ACT IB*

Early Entry Program benefits include:

- an early offer to attend the University of Newcastle
- HSC study support to help you achieve the best results from Year 12
- free preparation courses to make sure you get the most out of uni
- invitation to VIP events throughout the year.

*All degrees included except for Medicine and Midwifery
*Offers released before HSC exams
*Offers contingent on HSC/SSC completion



EARLY ENTRY PROGRAM OFFERS

There will be 3 offer days

- ✓ Offer Day 1 – 5 September 2024
- ✓ Offer Day 2 – 19 September 2024
- ✓ Offer Day 3 – 4 October 2024

- Eligible applicants will receive **ONLY ONE EARLY OFFER**
- After receiving an offer, Early Entry offer recipients cannot change their preferences to receive multiple offers in later rounds
- Students will have 7 days to accept their offer.



EARLY ENTRY PROGRAM DATES

8 April	Applications OPEN
29 August	Deadline for applications and preferences for Offer Day 1
5 September	OFFER DAY 1
12 September	Deadline for applications and preferences for Offer Day 2
19 September	OFFER DAY 2
26 September	Applications CLOSE for Early Entry Program / deadline for applications and preferences for Offer Day 3
4 October	OFFER DAY 3

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ENTRY HELP

- ✔ **Educational Access Scheme**
Get up to four adjustment points if you have experienced educational or other disadvantage.
- ✔ **Elite Athlete, Leaders and Performers Program**
Get up to four adjustment points if you are applying as an elite athlete, leader or performer.
- ✔ **Adjustment Points for Regional and Rural Students**
Get up to five adjustment points if you went to a regional or rural school in selected postcodes.
- ✔ **Year 12 Adjustment Points Scheme**
Get up to four adjustment points for your HSC results in particular subjects.
- ✔ **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Scheme**
Applicants who are within five points of the minimum selection rank may receive an offer.

2024-2025

SCHOOLS RECOMMENDATION SCHEME (SRS)

SRS offers are based on Year 11 results and the high schools rating of applicants' aptitudes and abilities in the following five study areas:

1. capacity for abstract thought and analysis
2. ability to organise ideas and articulate a position orally and in written form
3. ability to work and learn independently
4. motivation to achieve long-term goals
5. capacity for tertiary study.

NEWCASTLE.EDU.AU/SCHOOLS-RECOMMENDATION-SCHEME

Y12 SUBJECT SPOTLIGHT SCHEME (SSS)

The Year 12 Subject Spotlight Scheme rewards applicants' hard work and strong results in one or more subjects related to their chosen degree.

There is no separate application for this scheme – applicants simply apply through UAC and ensure the University of Newcastle is listed as their first preference before midnight on Wednesday 18 December 2024.

NEWCASTLE.EDU.AU/SUBJECT-PERFORMANCE-SCHEME

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Bachelor of Music and Performing Arts, and Bachelor of Music and Performing Arts/Bachelor of Arts

- Written assessment, audition, and interview

Bachelor of Midwifery

- Two campuses (Callaghan + Gosford)
- Three placement locations (Hunter, Central Coast, Mid-North Coast)

Bachelor of Medical Science/Doctor of Medicine (JMP)

- 3-step admission process
- Admission managed by a dedicated team

NEWCASTLE.EDU.AU/JOINT-MEDICAL-PROGRAM/HOW-TO-APPLY



DEGREE TRANSFER

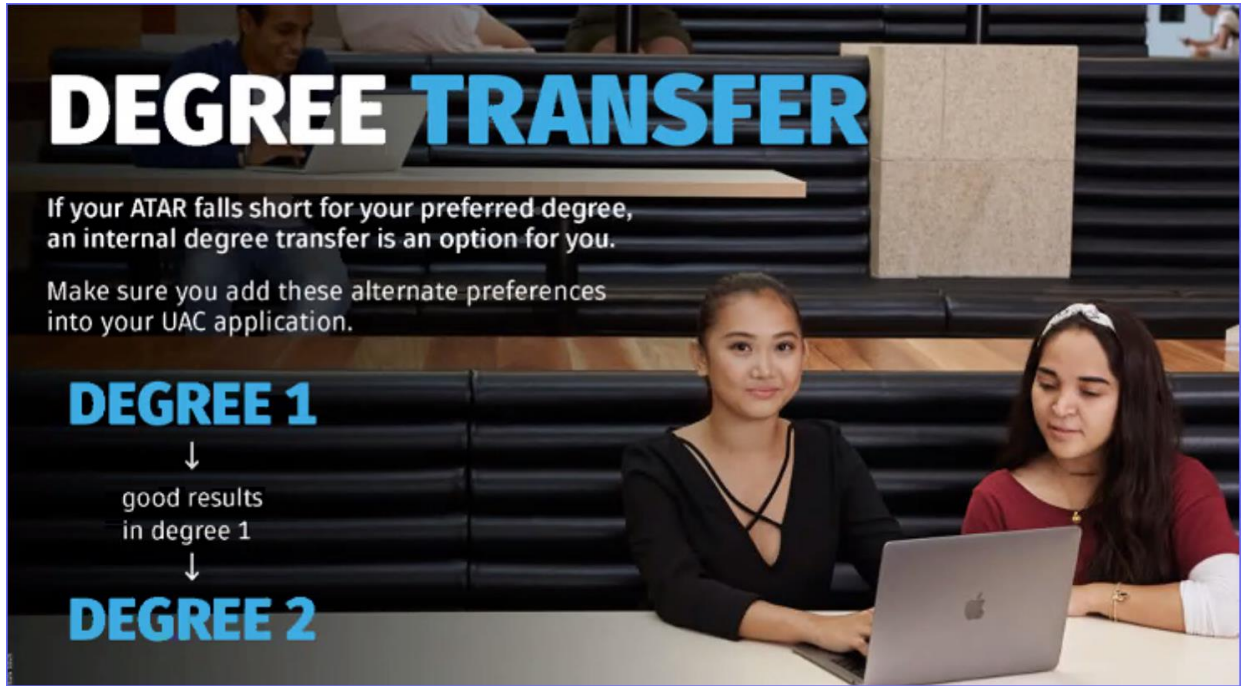
If your ATAR falls short for your preferred degree, an internal degree transfer is an option for you.

Make sure you add these alternate preferences into your UAC application.

DEGREE 1

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good results
in degree 1

DEGREE 2

A promotional banner for the 2024 Open Days at The University of Newcastle Australia. The banner features a blue background with a white circular graphic on the left containing the text "2024 OPEN DAYS". On the right, there is a photograph of three students (two women and one man) talking and smiling. One of the women is holding a white tote bag with the university's logo. Below the photograph, the text "Central Coast Saturday 17 August" and "Newcastle Saturday 31 August" is displayed. The university's logo is also present in the bottom left corner.

2024
OPEN
DAYS

Central Coast
Saturday 17 August

Newcastle
Saturday 31 August

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AUSTRALIA

HSC AND CAREERS EXPO

HSC and Careers Expo celebrates its 16th year in 2024!

2024 EXPO TIMES

Thursday 30 May, Friday 31 May and Saturday 1 June

9am-3pm

LOCATED AT

[The Winx Stand, Royal Randwick Racecourse, Alison Rd, Randwick](#)

For more information, visit [HSC and Careers Expo celebrates its 16th year in 2024!](#)

Seminars on topics including:

- HSC subjects including English and Maths
- Subject selection advice for Year 10 students
- Tertiary courses
- Careers
- Employment opportunities
- Study advice

Seminar Program subject to change. Seating at the seminars is on a first come, first served basis.

UCAT REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 17 MAY

The UCAT Test is used by a number of Universities as part of their admission process for Medical and Dental degrees. On time registrations close on 17th May 2024.

UCAT ANZ 2024 BOOKING DATES AND DEADLINES

Deadline times are 11.59pm AEST - Australian Eastern Standard Time

Bookings open	Tuesday 5 March 2024
BOOKINGS CLOSE	Friday 17 May 2024 at 11:59pm AEST
Late bookings close	Friday 31 May 2024 at 11:59pm AEST
Final booking deadline	Wednesday 5 June 2024 at 11:59pm AEST
Testing period	1 July - 9 August 2024

The 2024 UCAT ANZ must be sat between 1 July and 9 August 2024.

UCAT ANZ
UNIVERSITY CLINICAL APTITUDE TEST ANZ

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UCAT ANZ

The University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT ANZ) is used in the selection process by the UCAT ANZ Consortium of universities in Australia and New Zealand.

University Clinical Aptitude Test for Australia and New Zealand (UCAT ANZ)

The University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT ANZ) is an admissions test used by the UCAT ANZ Consortium of universities in Australia and New Zealand for their medical, dental and clinical science degree programmes.

The test helps universities to select applicants with the most appropriate abilities and professional behaviours required for new doctors and dentists to be successful in their clinical careers. It is used in collaboration with other admissions processes such as interviews and academic qualifications.

It is also an opportunity to stand out from other applicants and demonstrate aptitude for a demanding programme of study.

The UCAT ANZ is a computer-based test delivered in Pearson VUE test centres throughout Australia, New Zealand and worldwide.

Please note that some pathways to medicine / dentistry / clinical sciences will not require the UCAT ANZ. For some applicants a different test may be required. For details candidates should refer to the websites of the universities to which they intend to apply.

For more information, visit [University Clinical Aptitude Test for Australia and New Zealand \(UCAT ANZ\) | UCAT ANZ Consortium](#)

UTS NEWS

Undergraduate Guides for UTS courses in 2025 are now available. Two copies have been placed in the career shelves in the Year 12 kitchen area. The information is also available online at [UTS Undergraduate Guide 2025](#)



INTERESTED IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION...?

NSW Department of Education

Educators of the Future

A one day immersion program for students interested in Early Education training and career pathways.



The Educators of the Future program provides students with the opportunity to obtain information and participate in fun hands-on activities in early childhood education and care.

Early Childhood Education and Care

Students will engage in activities and hear from industry experts on career pathways and gain an insight on what to expect from the industry. Students will also get the chance to try their hand at working with:

Play dough, Foam Paint | Puppets, Dress ups | Play session

Where: Karben Training Solutions 3 Amy Close Wyong

When: Wednesday 22nd May 2024 - 9.30 to 2.30pm

Who: Students in years 9 – 11 who are interested in Early Education pathways

Register with the QR Code

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Regional Industry Education Partnerships (RIEP)



INTERESTED IN AGED CARE AND DISABILITY CARE...?

NSW Department of Education

Carers of the Future

A one day immersion program for students interested in Aged Care, Disability training and career pathways.



The Carers of the Future program provides students with the opportunity to obtain information and participate in fun hands-on activities in aged care and disability industry.

Aged Care & Disability sector

Students will hear from industry experts on career pathways and gain an insight on what to expect from the industry. Students will also get the chance to try their hand at working with:

Vision play | Comms Board | Person Centred Care

Where: Karben Training Solutions 3 Amy Close Wyong

When: Friday 24th May 2024

Who: Students in years 9 – 11 who are interested in an apprenticeship/traineeship pathway

Register with the QR Code

Funded by
Regional Industry Education Partnerships (RIEP)



CAREERS WITH STEM

The Term 2 Careers with STEM magazine is now available. To view the magazine, visit the www.CareerswithStem.com website. The magazine has two sections... one from the front and one from the back



TERM 2, 2024

CAREERS WITH STEM™ ECONOMICS

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Paid to study a Certificate III in Business (Business Administration)

Full-time position located in North Wyong

Immediate start

Are you ready to kickstart your career in customer service?

As a **Trainee Customer Service Officer**, you will have the exciting opportunity to work alongside seasoned professionals in a diverse role, learning the skills necessary to excel within this dynamic company. This role offers a hands-on approach where you can actively engage with customers and refine your service abilities, setting the foundation for your future growth in the business.

ABOUT CCGT:

The Coast's leading employer of Apprentices and Trainees for over 40 years. Throughout your traineeship, you will be employed by CCGT and will work day-to-day with our host employer in order to receive your on-the-job training in the industry.

We are dedicated to offering continuous mentoring and support to help you achieve your career goals and unleash your true potential.

ABOUT THE HOST EMPLOYER:

Our Host Employer is a multi-channel company with over 50 years of experience managing, creating, and distributing scrubs and workwear for business.

Their branded workwear platform produces uniform solutions for organisations across a variety of industries.

Their retail platform offers consumers purchase access to the world's best scrub brands. They are now looking for their next superstar trainee to join their team!

KEY ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Providing exceptional customer service with high attention to detail

Using a service desk to answer customer queries "tickets"

Order entry & invoicing

Data entry to industry-based systems

Administrative duties including, filing, phone & email management

Processing returns

General housekeeping

DESIRED QUALITIES:

Strong communication skills, both written and verbal

Excellent organisation & time-management skills

Attention to detail

Positive, friendly & confident attitude

Ability to multitask and prioritise tasks effectively

Working Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:36pm.

As part of this Traineeship, you will be PAID to study a Certificate III in Business (Business Administration) through ON THE JOB Training over a period of 12 months.

For more information about this position, please contact Central Coast Group Training.

GENERAL NEWS

The following news items are sourced from Job Jump

University - Institutes

University of Wollongong - Year 10 Subject Selection Webinar

4 June

Join this online event hosted by UOW Student Advisers, designed to guide Year 10 students through subject selection for Years 11 and 12.

Gain valuable insights into how these choices impact future academic and career paths. We'll cover pre-requisites, assumed knowledge, ATAR considerations, and the importance of Year 11.

Engage in an interactive Q&A session and live chat to get all your questions answered.

Don't miss this opportunity to make informed decisions about your academic journey.

https://mkto.uow.edu.au/DOMUGWEB20245287Year10SubjectSelectionWebinar_Registration.html

University of Wollongong - Maths & Physics Support Sessions

Every Thursday during Term 2

Calling all Illawarra Year 11 and 12 students studying Mathematics Advanced, Extension 1, Extension 2 and/or Physics!

UOW's Faculty of Engineering and Information Sciences are hosting FREE weekly drop-in sessions to assist you with your HSC studies on the Wollongong campus.

What to Expect:

- Interactive tutoring: Sessions are led by UOW Academics passionate about teaching and sharing knowledge.
- Supportive Environment: We welcome students to come along and meet like minded peers, collaborate and have questions answered. We offer a casual drop in style classroom setting welcoming of student questions, queries and discussion for Maths and Physics in the one location.
- Personalised assistance: Students can bring projects or questions, or we will provide questions - we've got you covered! Have concepts clarified, practice questions and exercises to reinforce learning and boost confidence.

Completely FREE: Access top-notch tutoring without breaking the bank.

https://uow_srd.swoogo.com/MathsPhysicsSupportSessions

University of Wollongong - Upcoming Future Talk Series

Year 12 can be a particularly stressful time for students and family/carers. The pressure to succeed and make post-school decisions can be overwhelming for students and those who are trying to support them on their Year 12 journey.

- 3 June - Budgeting and Finance Advice
- 1 July - Early Admission
- 12 August - Scholarships and Accommodation

<https://www.uow.edu.au/engage/schools-parents/parents-carers/future-talk/>

Macquarie University Year 12 Webinar series

The Year 12 series provides students with everything they need to know about university – from applying and exploring our courses and entry programs, to reducing Year 12 study stress and leaving home.

Upcoming sessions:

- Tuesday, 4 June: Early Entry
- Wednesday, 11 September: Transitioning from School to Uni

Watch on demand:

- Year 12 Guide to Uni

<https://page.mq.edu.au/year-12-webinar-series-2024.html>

Macquarie University Year 10 Webinar

Year 10 students will learn all about what they can do in Years 11 and 12 to maximise their chances of securing a place at uni.

- How to select HSC subjects that best align with your future interests
- Entry pathways and schemes
- The importance of extracurricular activities during Year 11 and 12

<https://page.mq.edu.au/year-10-guide-to-uni-webinar-2024.html>

Macquarie University Open Day

10 August

Open Day is a fantastic opportunity to find out more about Macquarie Uni, get a real feel for the campus and facilities and chat to current students and staff.

Students can register to explore what Macquarie Uni has to offer.

<https://event.mq.edu.au/open-day/>

University of Sydney Webinar - Scholarships at Sydney

15 May

At the University of Sydney, we offer over \$135 million worth of scholarships every year. We're dedicated to supporting you throughout your time at university and offer a variety of scholarships for domestic undergraduate students. To make the process easier and more accessible, we've created a centralised form where you can be considered for a scholarship through one simple application. Additionally, some of our scholarships require no application at all! In this webinar you will learn about the scholarships we offer, find out about your eligibility, get tips on writing a strong scholarship application and have your questions answered by our team.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hTVRSbIEQdSMJ3W3T7BVQA

University of Sydney Webinar - Mastering Markets: A deep dive into Economics at Sydney

29 May

Ready to navigate the world of economics? Join us for an enlightening webinar on studying Economics at Sydney. We'll delve into the course structure, discuss the entry requirements, and explore various pathways to admission.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_aCmujNtGRWmRx-chrFjTaQ

University of Sydney Webinar - Discover how to lead projects that change the world

22 May

Join our Project Management webinar, designed for high school students interested in undergraduate studies that set the stage for leading and organizing impactful projects. Our expert lecturer Dr Kate Anichenko from the School of Project Management will guide you through the essentials and real-world applications. Discover how an undergraduate degree in Project Management at the University of Sydney can launch your career in managing projects that shape our future.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_tS1DwZk1RmaESRmroiRLQ

University of Sydney ARTiculate Economic - Exploring Australia's Balance of Payments and Trade Dynamics in a Global Context

23 May

In this talk, Dr IKM Mokhtarul Wadud will discuss Australia's balance of payments (BOP) in the context of open economy macroeconomics. The talk will highlight how Australia's BOP has evolved over recent decades, with special emphasis on how the dynamics of comparative advantage in trade of certain products and associated changes in foreign investment have shaped the Australian BOP and the Australian economy over the years. The role of the mining boom and the Australian economy's growth trajectory in the post-GFC period will also be highlighted. Dr Wadud will also draw the implications of such dynamics for Australia's BOP components namely, the current, capital and financial accounts, with special reference to Australia's prospect as a trading nation.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/2617135060562/WN_zLiXt-eLRVGfCe13ffbSuQ

University of Sydney ARTiculate Studies of Religion | Three Versions of Paul (or more) and Christian bioethics

30 May

The talk will be divided in two parts:

Part 1. Three Versions of Paul (or more)

There are a multitude of attitudes to St Paul academic, theological and mythic. Was he the real founder of Christianity? The first writer of Scripture? Here we examine his legacy from numerous academic viewpoints and survey the most relevant sources.

Part 2. Bioethics (Mainly Christianity)

Bioethical responses from even a single tradition such as Christianity can change over time and lose and gain intensities and focus, here we consider why with some telling examples.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/6917125709834/WN_DZgdkPE-SumIIBDzjwdupA

UTS's Bachelor of Information Technology Co-operative Scholarship

Applications Close 8 September

The Bachelor of IT Co-operative Scholarship is a three-year IT course. It's a fast-track course that's been designed to mentor the next generation of IT and business leaders. It's about building your tech and business skills in equal measure. Capitalising on your leadership potential. Growing your innovation mindset. Above all, it's about shaping you to become a business-savvy, work-ready, IT management professional who's ready to make your mark.

The BIT is a highly competitive course – it's been designed with future leaders in mind. To get in, you'll need to demonstrate how you stand out from the crowd.

Successful students generally achieve a Selection Rank of 88–99.95; however, your ATAR is just one component of your application.

The interview is your chance to show us your passion for technology. We also want to see your communication and interpersonal skills and your desire to be a leader in your field. We balance our selection criteria against one another. So if you've got a lower ATAR (say, 85 or 86), wow us in the interview and you could still be in with a chance.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/about/faculty-engineering-and-information-technology/bachelor-information-technology-co-operative-scholarship>

Reminder - CSU Dubbo Experience Day

21 May

Get hands-on at our Dubbo campus, where you'll get to take a closer look at different course areas, chat with current students and lecturers, and get one-on-one advice from experienced professionals.

<https://web.cvent.com/event/d4176481-4d8e-4f56-8d37-dade7e278322/regProcessStep1>

CSU - Making in the Media Workshops

21 June - Year 11 & 12

15 Nov - Year 9 & 10

Are you passionate about news, journalism, media, advertising, public relations or content creation?

If you're a student in Years 9–12, then register for our free, interactive Making it in Media workshop!

If you've ever wondered what communication students do at university, this is your chance to take a closer look. Join us inside our cutting-edge TV studio and creative hub – which has just received a multi-million dollar upgrade – and experience working in the world of communication, media and content creation first-hand.

Here at Charles Sturt, we have a strong reputation in the communications industry. We've produced some of Australia's biggest names in media, like Hamish McDonald, Mel Doyle and Tara Brown. Our Bachelor of Communication degree has been co-designed and co-delivered by some of our distinguished alumni, as well as leading industry professionals – so we know a thing or two about the industry and we'd love to share our knowledge with you!

<https://web.cvent.com/event/39df15a3-0767-4fce-add2-a4006bab1310/summary>

University of Canberra Bachelor of Primary Education Entry Questionnaire

The four-year Bachelor of Primary Education is a rigorous course which will prepare you to teach national literacy and numeracy at a primary school level, from Kindergarten to Year 6. You'll develop a sound understanding of the educational theories and teaching skills required in today's classrooms, largely by regularly observing them in a primary school environment and putting your academic learnings into practice during one of the many teaching placement opportunities you'll undertake. All applicants will be required to complete a written statement in response to questions designed to assess their suitability for the teaching profession. Applicants' responses to these questions must be deemed satisfactory for them to be admitted to this course. You can find the questions in the 'resources' section of the online application portal when you are applying. You can upload your responses in PDF format as part of your application.

<https://www.canberra.edu.au/about-uc/faculties/education/docs/UG-Teacher-Education-questionnaire.pdf>

Griffith University GUEST Program

Applications open for Trimester 2. Applications open TBA for Trimester 3

Our Griffith University Head Start program is designed to give you the opportunity to study a course (subject) at Griffith while completing your high school studies. With the tuition fee covered by the University, the program lets you sample university life at Griffith, learn from industry leaders and stretch your academic boundaries. If you are a motivated student who is looking to challenge yourself, consider applying for a Griffith University Head Start program On-Campus or Online.

Completion of a Griffith University Head Start course and Year 12 studies guarantees admission to one of more than 70 single and double degrees across a range of areas. To give you certainty about your future, completion of our Head Start program may also make you eligible for an offer to study at Griffith before you receive your ATAR or IB diploma results.

As a Griffith University Head Start student, you can choose from a variety of courses either on-campus or online.

You can study one course per trimester (maximum of two courses or 20 credit points in total). There are four available intakes and students can apply to undertake the Griffith University Head Start program from Semester 2 of year 11.

<https://www.griffith.edu.au/apply/undergraduate-study/high-school-students/head-start-on-campus-or-online>

CQ University Principals Recommendation Scheme

Closes 2 December

Our Principal's Recommendation Scheme (PRS) provides an early entry pathway for Year 12 students to apply to an undergraduate CQU course based on their high school principal's recommendation rather than ATAR. Students can receive an offer within 48 hours of submitting their application - without waiting for their Year 12 results. Open to all Year 12 students; the Scheme is designed to assist capable students to access entry to CQUniversity; it in no way provides relaxation of the quality and academic standards that students must meet to complete their degree successfully.

<https://www.cqu.edu.au/study/high-school-students/principals-recommendation-scheme>

UNSW Year 10 Info Evenings: Subject Selection

14 May

Get advice and information that's specially tailored for Year 10 students, that will help you navigate the HSC subject selection process, explain how UNSW admissions and scholarship applications work, and give you an insight into transitioning into university life so that you can get a head start on planning your future.

Parents and teachers of Year 10 students are invited to join the evening as well as participate in the live Q&A session.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/unsw-year-10-info-evenings-subject-selection-tickets-850596134937>

UNSW Arts, Design and Architecture Information Evening

22 May

Are you interested in a career in Arts, Design & Architecture? Join a faculty ranked top 4 in Australia, with two Schools that are top 40 in the world.

University is a time for exploration, and there is no better place to explore your passions and creativity than here at ADA. Whether you have a chosen path in-mind, or want to explore your interests, we have a degree for you. Ranging from professionally accredited programs like Social Work or Education, to our Design or Fine Arts degrees that allow you to hone your creative skills.

Join us online where you will hear from our Dean, Professor Claire Annesley, as well as a panel of current students, and get all of your UNSW Arts, Design & Architecture questions answered. Learn about our degrees, careers, admission pathways, scholarships and more!

<https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/unsw-arts-design-and-architecture-information-evening>

University - General

UCAT Booking Deadline Approaching

UCAT Booking Deadline 17 May

Candidates taking the UCAT ANZ in 2024 for entry to universities in Australia and New Zealand in 2025 should note these key dates (deadline times are in AEST - Australian Eastern Standard Time):

- BOOKING DEADLINE- 17 May 2024
- Late booking deadline - 31 May 2024
- FINAL late booking deadline - 5 June 2024
- Cancellation deadline - 10 June 2024
- Testing begins - 1 July 2024
- Last testing date - 9 August 2024
- Results delivered to universities - early September 2024

<https://www.ucat.edu.au/about-ucatanz/ucatanz-test-cycle/>

Bond University Architecture Experience Day

13 June

Unleash your creativity and problem-solving skills as you explore the dynamic field of architectural design at Bond University.

Our Architecture Experience Day returns on Thursday, June 13, offering you an immersive opportunity to explore the Abedian School of Architecture, and determine whether it aligns with your future aspirations. Engage with esteemed academic staff, participate in hands-on activities, and embark on guided tours of our state-of-the-art student spaces and fabrication laboratories. Also discover our commitment to offering exclusive access to cutting edge facilities, vibrant studio culture, low staff-to-student ratio and personalised attention from award winning architects.

There's no better way to ignite your passion than through first-hand experience. Attending an Experience Day allows you to come along to the Bond University campus and trial the programs we have on offer. Join us and let your creativity flourish as you envision the possibilities of architectural design!

This event is complimentary for Year 10, 11 and 12 students, as well as one parent (per student).

Register now to secure your spot and be part of this inspiring event!

<https://bond.edu.au/event/8027/architecture-experience-day>

Bond University Criminology Experience Day

28 June

Immerse yourself in the fascinating world of crime, justice and criminal behaviour at Bond University.

Our Criminology Experience Day returns on Friday, June 28, offering you an unmissable opportunity to explore the field of criminology and criminal justice, and discover if it aligns with your career aspirations. A criminology and criminal justice degree can open the door to many rewarding professions in growing fields, from social work to criminal profiling, law enforcement, and policy reform. Meet leading criminology academics and gain insight into our multifaceted understanding of human society's interactions with the criminal justice system and the complexities of criminal behaviour.

There's no better way to ignite your passion than through first-hand experience. Attending an Experience Day allows you to come along to the Bond University campus and trial the programs we have on offer. Join us and delve into the intriguing world of criminology!

This event is complimentary for Year 10, 11 and 12 students, as well as one parent (per student).

Register now to secure your spot and be part of this inspiring event!

<https://bond.edu.au/event/8028/criminology-experience-day>

Bond University Built Environment Experience Day

4 July

Immerse yourself in the exciting realm of urban development and management at Bond University.

Our Built Environment Experience Day is set to take place on Thursday, July 4, offering you a hands-on opportunity to explore the diverse fields and study areas of:

- Construction Management and Quantity Surveying
- Project Management
- Valuation and Property Development

Discover whether your career aspirations align with some of the fastest growing industries in Australia, which open the doors to a variety of exciting roles and professional opportunities. Gain a comprehensive understanding of the dynamic career pathways within the built environment field and the innovative solutions shaping our urban landscapes.

There's no better way to ignite your passion than through first-hand experience. Attending an Experience Day allows you to come along to the Bond University campus and trial the programs we have on offer. Join us and delve into the diverse fields of Construction, Property and Project Management.

This event is complimentary for Year 10, 11 and 12 students, as well as one parent (per student).

Register now to secure your spot and be part of this inspiring event!

<https://bond.edu.au/event/8030/built-environment-experience-day>

Bond University Psychology Experience Day

5 July

Immerse yourself in the fascinating world of psychology and explore the complexities of the human mind and behaviour at Bond University.

Our Psychology Experience Day returns on Friday, July 5, offering you a hands-on opportunity to explore the intricacies of psychology, and discover if it resonates with your career aspirations. Engage with our academic staff who are leading psychologists, and delve into the fascinating study of how the human mind works, offering insights into human society, social relationships and human interaction with technology. Learn about the various Psychology programs offered, all of which are accredited by APAC, as well as guaranteed entry into 4th year studies* at the Bond University School of Psychology. There's no better way to ignite your passion than through first-hand experience. Attending an Experience Day allows you to come along to the Bond University campus and trial the programs we have on offer. Join us and let your creativity flourish as you envision the possibilities of psychology! This event is complimentary for Year 10, 11 and 12 students, as well as one parent (per student). Register now to secure your spot and be part of this inspiring event!

<https://bond.edu.au/event/8029/psychology-experience-day>

TAFE

Vocational education and training (VET)

VET gives people workplace skills and technical knowledge. It emphasises hands-on experience, and teaches many skills in demand in NSW.

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/vocational>

Is a traineeship or apprenticeship right for me?

You don't need an ATAR to study a degree with TAFE NSW, but you will graduate with a qualification that will change your future.

Study a Bachelor degree, post graduate or higher education qualification with TAFE NSW, and graduate with strong theoretical knowledge, practical experience and industry connections that will give you a head start on your career.

Plus if you have previously completed a higher education or vocational diploma or certificate qualification, you may be eligible for credit transfer or recognition of prior learning (RPL) towards your degree, which means you could graduate sooner.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees>

Interested in an Electrical Career? NECA Careers Paths

See where a career in electrotechnology can take you. This electro career map shows you the fantastic opportunities that lie ahead. The sky is the limit!

<https://www.necatrainng.com.au/electrical-apprentices/career-paths/#infographic>

Automotive Apprenticeships - Apprenticeships R Us

Apprenticeships Are Us is a Group Training Organisation (GTO) that has been supplying quality Automotive Apprentices to the industry for over 15 years. We Specialise in Mechanical Apprenticeships for Light and Heavy Vehicles, Accident Repair trades such as Panel Beating and Spray Painting. Check out our current vacancies for Light Vehicle, Panel Beating, Spray Painting and Spare Parts

Apprenticeships

<https://www.apprus.com.au/job-vacancies/>

Visit TAFE at Greater Western Sydney Careers Market

22 May

Visit the TAFE NSW stand to speak to teachers and staff who can assist you in exploring a variety of

career paths and course options available through TAFE NSW.

<https://www.tafenswevents.com.au/event/greater-western-sydney-careers-market>

Visit TAFE at Lower North Shore Careers Expo

13 May

Year 10 -12 students and parents from local schools in the area are invited to explore post-school possibilities with over 50 exhibitors.

<https://www.tafenswevents.com.au/event/lower-north-shore-careers-expo-2024>

Girls in Trade Virtual Event

22 May

TAFE NSW in collaboration with the Department of Customer Service and Training Services NSW are hosting a virtual event on Wednesday May 22 at 6:00pm.

At the event, you will:

- Join schools from across NSW who are getting involved,
- Hear from young women working in trades, including the 2022 Women in Trades winner,
- Learn about opportunities in emerging and growing trades, including clean and renewable energy, mechanical, engineering and sustainable eco-friendly construction,
- Submit your questions ahead of time and hear the answers live.

This event is for all NSW high school students; however, it has been especially designed for girls in year 10 who are coming up to subject selection. Parents and educators are welcome to register and attend too.

<https://tafenswevents.eventsair.com/tafenswgirlsintrades/rego/Site/Register>

Private Colleges

GOAL College Open Days

20 May - Sydney Olympic Park

27 May - Glebe Campus

At GOAL College, we do school differently. We have a great reputation for working with the sports industry, but we offer so much more than sport. Our HSC gives students the opportunity to explore career paths, make connections, build networking skills, and get ready for whatever future they choose.

Open Days are a great way for students to get a feel for how our classes operate so that they can be confident in their decision to complete their HSC with us. These events take place on our campuses and each family group will be paired with a current GOAL student as a guide who will answer any questions you have in an informal setting.

You'll get a full tour of our campus and facilities and have the opportunity to see our classes in action. It's a great way for families to get a better idea of what life is like as a GOAL student.

<https://enquiry.goalcollege.nsw.edu.au/events>

GOAL College Scholarships

Applications Now Open - Close 27 July

GOAL College has an ongoing commitment to supporting promising young people and is fortunate to be able to offer a limited number of bursaries for entry into Year 11.

Our bursaries are funded by the school and a small group of dedicated and generous private donors. They are not linked to any particular stream or sport, and our Teammates have no role in selecting bursary recipients.

<https://www.goalcollege.nsw.edu.au/enrol/bursaries/>

JMC Academy - HSC Performance Feedback Session

6-20 July

HSC students focusing on performance are encouraged to book a time with an industry professional to guide and assist on Drama or Music HSC Performance Major Work.

It could be assistance with a monologue, individual performance, OR group performance. We're here to help!

This initiative is ideal for Year 12 students who are looking to take their major work performance to the next level with feedback from industry professionals who are experts in their field.

<https://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/news-and-events/events/hsc-performance-feedback-sessions-drama-music-students-sydney-campus>

Sydney Design School Info Session and Open Day

Info Session - 15 May

Open Day - 25 May

Be open to creativity! We're opening our studios for a day of exploration. Meet our passionate Educators, view our exhibition space and get hands on building an interiors mood board or 3D model.

<https://sydneydesignschool.com.au/information-sessions/>

Brent Street Winter Camp 2024

8-12 July

Don't hibernate this Winter – unleash at our epic Winter Camp, a 5 day dance workshop with Australia's best choreographers. You'll leave the workshop feeling inspired and pumped, exposed to a whole new range of styles and teachers, ready to smash your dance goals for Term 3 and beyond!

We welcome students from all studios across Sydney and Australia to enjoy our Winter Camp. It's so much more than just dance classes; it's an experience of making friends, a physical challenge and inspiring teachers!

<https://brentstreet.com.au/workshops/>

Brent Street 2025 Auditions Now Open

We are now accepting Audition Registrations for courses commencing in 2025. Submit your information in the below form to secure your audition and you'll receive our Course Prospectus direct to your email inbox.

To us, there's no other option when training for a career. To be the best, you have to train with the best. Experience the Brent Street energy – a hub of passionate staff, real-world training and our signature training that's dominated the industry for more than three decades.

Whether it's Performing Arts, Contemporary, Musical Theatre or Academy, these life-changing courses set yet another benchmark for pre-professional training in 2025.

<https://brentstreet.com.au/classes-training/full-time-courses/audition/>

Brent Street Information Evening

20 May

The Brent Street Academy is a High School alternative for students who wish to excel in the performing arts whilst achieving exceptional academic results. We offer limited placements to Years 7-12 each calander year, with entry by audition only.

We understand that our Academy is a non-traditional approach to High School, and with this often comes a variety of questions from parents and guardians. We want you to make the best possible decision when it comes to your child's education – and there's no better way to do this than by attending our Academy's Information Evening.

You'll hear from Lucas (Managing and Creative Director of Brent Street), Cathertine (Academic Manager), our Student Representative Council (SRC) and some of our current Academy parents, where we'll discuss the Academy in depth. This will include an overview of how the Academics work, Subject Selections, ATAR/HSC, a live-demo of online learning portal and information on enrichment activities, like our camp. You'll also be treated to a school tour, plus a few mini-performances from our Academy

students.

The evening will conclude with our staff around to chat and answer any questions.

<https://brentstreet.com.au/workshops/bsa-info-night/>

AMPA Experience Day - Contemporary/Music Production/Composition

11 July

Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites aspiring Contemporary musicians, Music Creators and Composers aged 16 and over to join us on campus for a day of music!

Attendees will have the chance to sit in on a performance class, participate in workshops/Q&As facilitated by AMPA's music faculty and experience what studying music is like at AMPA. Experience a day in the life of an AMPA music student to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit your future.

Parents also welcome to attend.

If you value a practical approach to learning and love performing – this is the place for you!

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ampa-experience-day-contemporarymusic-productioncomposition-tickets-87777846167>

A Taste of Le Cordon Bleu Sydney

30 May

You are invited to a Taste of Le Cordon Bleu Sydney to spend an evening with our chefs and students who will showcase their skills, give you an insight into the food, wine and gastronomy business, and reveal how you could be a part of this global enterprise. Indulge in a taste of French culture as our world-class chefs and lecturers demonstrate their expertise and the unique learning experiences offered at Le Cordon Bleu. Join us for a special evening to inspire your culinary arts dream.

<https://www.cordonbleu.edu/sydney/taste-of-lcb/en>

Basair Info Sessions Sydney Pilot Career Seminar

Next sessions 14 May, 18 June, 16 July

Learn about a career as a Commercial Pilot at one of our free information seminars. Basair Aviation College runs monthly seminars in Sydney, Brisbane and Newcastle. Learn more about a career in aviation and the benefits Basair can provide for your training as a commercial pilot.

<https://basair.com.au/Events/>

AIBI Higher Education - Introduction to Cyber Security Webinar

28 May

Did you know cyber security is one of the most in-demand fields? If you're interested in having a rewarding and well-paid job after leaving school, cyber security could be a good area to study.

If you're wondering what cyber security really is, don't miss this webinar from AIBI Higher Education.

Register to hear IT expert Dr. Raj Sandu discuss:

- What is cyber security
- Cyber security's significance in 2024 and beyond
- The cyber threat landscape
- Current cyber security trends
- Hot topics in cyber security, including Machine Learning (ML) and AI

The webinar is approximately 45 minutes long and starts at 4pm on Tuesday May 28.

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/4717149613617/WN_2aFMDALYQCenaqdCWQCfKg#/registration



General

NSW Fire & Rescue Fire Station Open Day

11 May

Come behind the scenes of Australia's busiest fire and rescue service at our Open Day. From fires, chemical spills, car crashes, natural disasters and humanitarian relief across the state, the country and even overseas - our firefighters are prepared for anything! Open Day is your chance to meet a firefighter, see our trucks in action, check out our equipment and find out more about what we do. We'll be on scene to answer your questions, show you around and help you prepare your home for a safe winter. We can't wait to see you and show you what we have been up to.

<https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=619>

Taronga Zoo Podcast Talks

The deep connections our staff develop with wildlife and the natural world affects the lives of others, near and far. From Sydney to Dubbo, Taronga's people all have amazing untold Zoo stories that will touch your heart and open your eyes.

<https://taronga.org.au/get-involved/taronga-talks>

Advice for students choosing HSC courses

Your aim is to attain the best HSC result you can. So, you should choose courses that you are good at, interested in and may use in the future. When considering which courses to study, explore the content of a course. For example, what are the course outcomes? Will you be required to submit a major work, or perform, as part of your exams? Talk with your teachers about your strengths and weaknesses, as well as individual course requirements, before making your selections.

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/subject-selection>

John Curro National Youth Concerto Competition

Entries Close 30 June

The JCNYYC is recognised as the most prestigious competition in Australia for string soloists aged up to 18 years. It was established by Queensland Youth Orchestras in 1976 to encourage the development of young Australian string players.

For the first round of the competition, each applicant records and submits audio files of audition works to be judged by a panel of professional musicians. Up to three finalists and four recitalists are then invited to Brisbane to take part in the JCNYYC Finals Week from 28 September to 6 October 2024.

The finalists compete for the first prize with their chosen concerto (preferably performed from memory) in the public JCNYYC Finals Concert titled 'String Sensations'. This concert takes place at the Old Museum Concert Hall, Brisbane on Sunday 6 October 2024 where finalists perform their concerto with the Queensland Youth Symphony (QYS).

<https://www.qyo.org.au/programs/john-curro-national-youth-concerto-competition>

National History Challenge

Get your entries in by 23 August

The National History Challenge is a free research-based competition for Australian students. It gives students a chance to be historians, researching world history, examining Australia's past, investigating their community or exploring their own roots. It emphasises and rewards quality research, the use of community resources and effective presentation.

<https://historychallenge.org.au>

What can you do with a Physics degree?

Sold on a Bachelor of Science, but not sure what to major in? Here are four cool and unexpected jobs a Bachelor of Science (Physics) could lead to. If you're thinking about enrolling in a Bachelor of Science, there are loads of reasons why majoring in Physics is a good idea. And despite the maths-meets-science elective often overlooked for those with clearer post-grad pathways, there are loads of industries crying out for a Physics major's advanced maths, analytics, problem-solving and computational skills.

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/physics-qut/>

Paid Gap Year in New Zealand

Experience all the thrills and adventures of a New Zealand Gap Year with a paid position in a leading school. With bustling cities, stunning scenery and endless adventures, it's no surprise New Zealand is a popular gap year destination. Filled with mountains, lakes and glaciers, New Zealand has everything to offer. Whether you want to spend your time bungee jumping over the Waikato River, exploring the Māori culture with a trip up Mount Hikurangi or relaxing on the 15,000 kilometres of coastline, New Zealand has it all. Our New Zealand gap year programmes are designed for individuals between 18 and 25 years old who want to explore the Middle Earth. It's the perfect opportunity to take an organised adventure after graduating from high school or before entering the workforce.

<https://www.letzlive.org/programmes/paid-gap-year-in-new-zealand/>

HSC and Careers Expo 2024 Expo Times

30 May, 31 May, 1 June

Winx Stand, Royal Randwick Racecourse

Exhibitors include:

- universities, TAFE colleges and training providers
- providers of HSC resources, information and services
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