FOCUS ON SUMMER SCHOOLS

Campion College Summer Program: Campion College is Australia’s only Liberal Arts College. They are running a week long summer program between 12 – 17 January 2014 designed to teach students going into years 11 and 12 study skills for school and university. You will also be able to undertake leadership training, explore your Catholic faith and sample undergraduate teaching in literature, history, philosophy and theology. For more information, go to http://www.campion.edu.au/

Computer science summer camp: Year 11 and 12 students who love computer science have the opportunity to attend the National Computer Science School (NCSS) 10-day intensive computer science summer camp. NCSS is about challenging students to think like computer scientists as they learn to program robots and develop social networking applications. Participants will also visit major companies and will live in University of Sydney student residences. The 2014 NCSS will run from 4–13 January. Applications are now open and are due by 1 November. Interested students can register at www.ncss.edu.au/summer_school/applications.html

Trinity Young Leaders Summer School: Trinity College at the University of Melbourne is running their annual intensive two-week residential program for talented students aged 14 – 17 years. Students will have the opportunity to

- Engage in interactive teaching
- Participate in excursions and group work
- Develop skills in critical and creative thinking, teamwork, public speaking, communication etc.
- Explore University of Melbourne courses

The program will run between 1 – 15 December. For more information and to register, go to www.trinity.unimelb.edu.au/young_leaders

MU Student Union VCE Summer School: The Student Union at the University of Melbourne are running their annual VCE Summer School between 6 – 17 January. This event provides an introduction to the VCE and assists students to develop practical and academic skills. You will be able to participate in VCE workshops and tutorials, and you will get to know other students from across Victoria. Rural and regional students will be able to access accommodation at the University. For details about the program, how to apply and about bursaries for financially disadvantaged students, please go to http://union.unimelb.edu.au/summerschool/how-to-apply

Discover Architecture at the University of Technology Sydney (UTS): An intensive 2-week program will be run for Year 11 students who are interested in exploring architecture at UTS between Monday 13 - Thursday 23 January 2014. The program will be structured around a diverse range of learning experiences that encompass design studio and computer lab based design exercises, seminars, lectures and field trips. Only 40 students can participate, so apply now! For applications and more information, go to www.utsarchitecture.net/discoverarchitecture/

Science Experience: Are you in Year 9 this year and have a passion for science? Then you should consider attending the three-day science program at RMIT in Melbourne. There will be plenty of bangs, flashes, smashes and fun and you will be able to go behind the scenes and sample the exhilarating world of science. You will perform experiments, participate in field excursions, listen to university lectures and experience the excitement of life on campus. The program runs between Tuesday 21 – Thursday 23 January 2014. For more information and to register, go to www.rmit.edu.au/scienceexperience
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Filmmaking Summer School, University of Melbourne: This intensive summer school is taught by Australia’s leading film industry professionals and is suited to people from all ages and backgrounds. The course dates run from 5 January – 16 February. Accommodation is available at Trinity College where the summer school will be held. For more information, go to http://www.summerfilmschool.com/

VCE Head Start Programs: Several companies run summer school programs in January 2014 for students wishing to make a head start on their VCE studies. TSSM: http://www.tssm.com.au

Preparing for exams- tips from Monash University students: Monash University has a series of videos called ‘Brilliant Advice’ on YouTube. They feature Monash students who received high ATARs sharing their exam preparation tips and tricks with you. To view the videos, go to http://www.youtube.com/user/monashunivideo

Are you an international student studying at a Victorian school? If you are considering studying at Monash University or the University of Melbourne in 2014, you can make a 30-minute one-to-one appointment with a course adviser to discuss your course options. Please book your appointment time at the following links
- Monash University: www.monash.edu.au/international-course-advice-sessions/
- University of Melbourne: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/international-yr12

New entry requirements for graduate Medicine at Monash: If you are interested in studying medicine as a post graduate degree at Monash University (MBBS), it is important to know that from 2017, at least 50 of the 75 places available will be reserved for students who have completed the Bachelor of Biomedical Science at Monash. To register for updates, go to www.med.monash.edu.au/medical/gippsland/mbbs-pathways.html

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Have you considered the University of Tasmania? UTAS has been ranked in the top 2% of universities worldwide (Academic Ranking of World Universities 2013), reflecting their commitment to the creation and dissemination of knowledge. Additionally, in 2013 the Australian Research Council’s ‘Excellence in Research for Australia’ (ERA) initiative awarded UTAS world-standard or better in 16 broad disciplines areas. Please visit www.utas.edu.au/results for more information

Australian Maritime College (AMC): Do you love the ocean? How about science? Can you see yourself working in a job that combines both of these loves? Then you should check out the courses that AMC Tasmania has to offer at http://www.amc.edu.au/resources and view AMC graduates working in amazing careers - http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL__hH4zoIZOhFIUGBRBcdPdrKs6UJP AV

@Latrobe Student Blogs: Throughout 2013, the @latrobe blog has followed the progress of 5 of their students. To get an idea of what university is like and the opportunities you can gain from a La Trobe course, you can logon to the blog at http://www.latrobe.edu.au/studentblogs and follow:

- Joanne’s commitment to giving back and sustainable communities
- Emily and her exchange in Scotland
- Steve and his plight for food security with his agricultural science degree
- Jackson prepare for graduation in his final year of civil engineering
- Tom on the ground with all things related to living on campus and what makes a good student.

University accommodation for 2014: Nearly all institutions have opened the registration period for accommodation. Some universities are ‘first in first served’, so make sure you complete your applications as soon as possible.
William Angliss Scholarships: Please be reminded that if you are applying for a scholarship to study at William Angliss in 2014, the application form is due in by 15 November, www.angliss.edu.au/Foundation

VCAL at William Angliss: students can undertake intermediate and senior VCAL at William Angliss. You can specialize in the following vocational streams: food and beverage, kitchen operations, tourism, retail makeup and beauty. For more information, go to http://www.angliss.edu.au/Youth-Community-Programs

Diploma courses at La Trobe University: Unsure of what to study next year? Want to ‘try’ a course at university, but not ready to commit to a degree? La Trobe University is offering the following diploma courses, which will give you credit for the first year of selected bachelor degrees

- Diploma of Arts – all regional campuses
- Diploma of Business – all regional campuses
- Diploma of Health Sciences – Bendigo campus

Applications are made direct to the University. For more information, go to www.latrobe.edu.au/courses

Creative Arts Industries at Victoria University (VU): VU’s Bachelor of Creative Arts Industries is popular with students who have a flair for the creative arts, and want industry experience in a creative field. Students can focus on creative writing, digital media, performance studies, visual arts or music, with the opportunity to apply their creativity, knowledge and skills in a real-world context. To explore the course, go to this link, http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/

VU’s Bachelor of Community Development course allow students to develop programs and initiatives that meet the changing needs of society, with the option to do fieldwork placements in local settings such as community centres and NGOs, as well overseas in countries such as Thailand, India, Mexico and Timor-Leste. Students can specialize in one of three areas: International Development, Australasian or Sports. http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/

Engineering at Box Hill and Deakin University: Did you know that completing an Advanced Diploma of Engineering Technology at Box Hill Institute can enable you to apply for up to 3 semesters of credit off the Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering at Deakin University? For more information, go to http://www.bhtafe.edu.au/courses/local/Pages/ENG52.aspx

Photographic Imaging College (PIC) Open Day: PIC will be running an open day for prospective students and their families on Sunday 27 October at their Preston campus. You will be able to attend campus tours, speak with course advisers and view student art works. For more information and to register, go to www.pic.org.au

TAFE Information and Enrolment Sessions: If you are considering studying at a TAFE institute in 2014, you may need to attend a compulsory information session. Please use the following links to find out upcoming dates

Box Hill Institute: http://www.bhtafe.edu.au/news/Pages/information-sessions.aspx

Holmesglen Institute Open Wednesdays http://www.holmesglen.edu.au/open/sessions


Wodonga TAFE, Health & Community Services http://www.wodongatafe.edu.au