Welcome to the Mentone Girls’ Grammar School Careers Newsletter. Here you will find important information relevant to tertiary study and a range of different course and career options.

For more careers information and advice, please contact Careers Counsellor, Ms Annie Dawson on 9581 1285 or email: adawson@mentonegirls.vic.edu.au (Mon-Wed).

**Information Sessions**

**Dates to Diarise in Term 2**

- *The Age VCE & Careers Expo* – 8 May to 11 May, Caulfield Racecourse
- *Law Week* - Monday 12 May – Sunday 18 May 2014, various locations

**The Age VCE & Careers Expo**

All VCE students are encouraged to attend the upcoming VCE & Careers expo at the Caulfield Racecourse from 8 May – 11 2014. There will be exhibitors with -

- Information and resources for the VCE
- Information about university, TAFE and training courses
- Career advice
- Study advice
- International exchange and gap year programs

There will also be over a 150 seminars on topics including –

- VCE subjects including English, Maths, Biology, Business Management, Psychology, Health and Human Development
- Tertiary courses
- Careers
- Gap year options

Tickets are $10 per person and are valid for all four days. **There are a number of complimentary free tickets available in the Careers Centre – first in, best dressed!**

One Year Roles in the Army – Information Session

What have you got planned for the next twelve months? If you’d like to earn great money, make new mates and get world-class training, the Army’s currently recruiting for roles with only a 12-month commitment. After a year you can choose to stay in the Army or use your nationally recognised training elsewhere.

To find out more attend the next One Year Roles Information Session:

**Date:** Wednesday 7 May 2014

**Time:** Arrival Time 5.30pm for a 6.00pm start (7.00pm finish)

**Location:** 501 Swanston St, Melbourne VIC 3000

**Meeting Place:** Level 14, Reception Area

There are limited positions available for this session so reservations are essential.

Please email your RSVP to [CPTVIC@dfr.com.au](mailto:CPTVIC@dfr.com.au)

‘Focus On Melbourne’ Series

Over the next few weeks the University of Melbourne will be hosting a series of free ‘Focus on...’ Information Sessions aimed at informing prospective students about the courses on offer; hear from current students, academic staff and recent graduates about what it is like to study that degree or course at Melbourne, and the career and personal development opportunities available to graduates.
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**Career Matters**

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All sessions will run from 6.30pm – 8.00pm, and registration is important. To register for one or more of these sessions, visit [http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/focus_on_melbourne](http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/focus_on_melbourne).

### News from Monash University

**Actuarial Studies at Monash**

Actuaries are responsible for identifying, analysing and assessing risk. They determine the likelihood of risk to ensure an organisation’s safeguards and they advise on the potential consequences of risk. This is done by creating mathematical models using past data and the actuary’s own knowledge and experience. These models are used to generate future scenarios in order to determine how likely and how severe future risks may be.
Actuaries traditionally work in consulting, banking, superannuation, stockbroking, insurance and investment and can also find work in consumer behaviour analysis (i.e. loyalty card schemes) and developing areas like environmental studies, climate change, and genetics.

**At Monash, students can study actuarial studies as part of the Bachelor of Commerce or the Bachelor of Economics.**

Units offered in the actuarial studies major include:

- Data modelling and computing
- Actuarial statistics
- Probability and statistical inference for economics and business
- Financial institutions and markets
- Financial econometrics
- Contingencies in insurance and pensions

For more information about studying actuarial studies and career outcomes, visit:


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**New Education Degree**

The newly developed, *Bachelor of Education (Honours)* is a four-year specialist course, which prepares students for a career as an educator in the early childhood sector, in primary or secondary schools or a combination of these.

The honours component of the degree is embedded into the four-year course so that - in an Australian first - graduates will have honours qualification. This means that they are ready to take a leading role in their chosen educational setting and teaching field. It also means they can choose to study for a fifth year - either immediately or at some time in the future - and will qualify for an advanced master’s degree, putting them ahead of the game.
At Monash, students will learn how to work with children and young people with varied needs to develop their creative, intellectual, personal, physical and social capabilities and how to foster learning in diverse ways.

The eight areas of specialisation reflect the age ranges of the students with whom they wish to work. They are:

- Early Years Education
- Early Years and Primary Education
- Primary Education (single degree or double degree options with Arts, Science, Visual Arts)
- Primary and Secondary Education
- Primary and Secondary Special Education
- Primary and Secondary Health and Physical Education
- Secondary Health and Physical Education
- Secondary education (double degree only with Arts, Science, Commerce, Music, Visual Arts)

**VCE prerequisites** - Units 1 and 2: satisfactory completion in two units (any study combination) of General Mathematics or Mathematical Methods or Units 3 and 4: any Mathematics; and a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or 25 in English other than EAL.

Throughout their degree, students build their knowledge of teaching and learning through practical experiences in many settings - including unique opportunities in locations such as the Cook Islands, Malaysia, Italy and South Africa.

For further details, visit [www.monash.edu/education](http://www.monash.edu/education) or contact Seshna Maharaj, Manager, Marketing and Communications at [seshna.maharaj@monash.edu](mailto:seshna.maharaj@monash.edu)
Upcoming ‘At Monash’ Seminar Series

The annual ‘At Monash Seminar Series’ commenced in March! These seminars provide Year 11 and 12 students and parents with an insight into the courses and career options within discipline areas. The seminars are presented by academics in conjunction with current university students and graduates, and are held in various locations across the Caulfield, Clayton and Peninsula campuses. Seminars with the same title have the same program. Upcoming seminars include -

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All seminars commence at 6.30pm and finish at 8.00pm. Seminars with the same title will have the same program. Exact venue details are available online! Registrations are essential and can be completed online at www.monash.edu/seminars. For more information call 1800 Monash.
➤ **Update on Pharmacy at Monash**

As of 2015, the Bachelor of Pharmacy degree will be re-titled *Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours)* and the Bachelor of Pharmacy (Scholars) will be re-titled to *Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) (Scholars)*. All students who are considering the Bachelor of Pharmacy in 2015 should be aware that the Supplementary Information form will no longer be required when applying through VTAC. Finally, the Bachelor of Pharmacy/Commerce double degree has been discontinued.

**For more information, please contact Tom Day, Student Recruitment Officer on** (03) 9903 9594 or email tom.day@monash.edu

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**New Courses from the Health Faculty of University of Tasmania**

➤ **Bachelor of Medical Research**

The 3-year *Bachelor of Medical Research* will enable students to develop medical research skills so they can work in research laboratories and institutes around the world. Students who have a keen interest in the sciences may be interested in this career path.

➤ **Bachelor of Health**

The 3-year *Bachelor of Health* is for students who are interested in health and wellbeing and are unsure of what specific career they should get into. This course can offer pathways into Nursing and Paramedicine and target future careers in ageing, disability and chronic disease management.

**To find out more about these and other courses, visit** [www.utas.edu.au](http://www.utas.edu.au)
News from the Australian Catholic University (ACU)

- **Differences between Counselling and Psychology**
  These fields are often referred to interchangeably, but there are **basic differences** that set them apart.

**Work and responsibilities:**

- Psychologists analyse and predict the unusual behaviour of people suffering from psychological issues or mental disturbances and illnesses.
- Counsellors are known to be ‘the best person to talk one’s mind out’; they understand people’s patterns of thoughts, behaviours and feelings.

**Education:**

- Completion of a minimum of six years of study is required in order to be eligible for registration as a psychologist in Australia.
- Training to become a counsellor can range from a Bachelor’s degree to a Master’s degree or even a short course.

**Work setting:**

- ACU’s psychology graduates are employed in hospitals, mental healthcare and outpatient care centres and in private facilities. Some also undertake teaching and research in research centres, schools or universities.
- ACU’s counselling graduates are found dealing with patients in rehabilitation, mental health hospitals, support centres, social organisations, schools and therapy centres.

Find out more by browsing

➢ **New course: Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (Birth-5)**

The 4-year *Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (Birth to Five Years)* is aimed at those students dedicated to a career teaching in a birth to five setting. This course has been developed in response to workforce needs in the early childhood sector.

**VCE Prerequisites:** Units 1 and 2 – general mathematics or mathematical methods (either). Units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or 25 in any other English.


➢ **Biomedical Science in 2015**

The Faculty of Health Sciences is planning to introduce a *Bachelor of Biomedical Science* to its Melbourne, Brisbane and Sydney campuses from next year (subject to final approval). A number of streams are proposed, and students will choose to undertake either the core biomedical stream, or one of the following:

- The *pharmaceutical industry stream* would suit students who wish to work in regulation, sales, marketing, or education about drugs. It is neither a pharmacy degree nor a precursor for a pharmacy degree.
- The *medical technology industry stream* would also be suitable for students who wish to work in the industry in an education, sales, marketing, advocacy, regulatory role or similar.
- The *communication stream* would suit those students wanting to work in medical/science journalism, patient advocacy, consumer health forum work, or developing consumer programs with a health focus. The science education stream is on the table for discussion, but not confirmed as yet.

If students enjoy discovery, research and science - particularly in regards to health, wellness and illness - then they will enjoy this course.

MIBT Diplomas Leading into more Deakin Degrees

MIBT in conjunction with Deakin University continually work to offer more degree pathways through the MIBT diplomas. There are now an additional two new pathways for Health Sciences and three for Commerce.

Students will still need to complete and pass the 8 required units and obtain the indicated Weighted Average Mark (WAM) to obtain entry.

Listed below are the new pathways, required WAM and how many credits will be provided.

Stay tuned for the new Diploma of Media and Communication pathways which are currently being reviewed.

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Codes:

B Melbourne Burwood Campus  S Geelong Waterfront Campus

* These degrees require students to take additional first year degree units when they transfer to Deakin University. Their degree may therefore take longer to complete.

Find out more about MIBT at www.mibt.edu.au