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 3**

- **Year 12 VTAC applications** – throughout August and September

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Also, students applying for courses that have **extra requirements** (i.e. submitting a folio, a pre-selection kit, arranging an interview, etc.) are reminded that failure to meet the deadline date for these means students may no longer be eligible for selection into their desired course.

Students eligible to apply for SEAS are also reminded to not leave your application to the last minute!

The VTAC website is [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au)
Victoria University is again offering free VCE revision lectures at several VU campuses in September and October. Expert VCE assessors and teachers will provide tips, information and strategies to help students gain that extra edge with VCE exam preparation.

VU is offering lectures to prepare for the following VCE exams:
Accounting
- Biology
- Chemistry
- English
- Legal Studies
- Maths Methods
- Psychology.

Students can learn more and register at www.vu.edu.au/vce-lectures
September Holiday Programs

Are you interested in working with animals? The RSPCA has a number of programs for students aged 15 – 18 years who are considering working in the animal industry or simply have a love of animals. More information about each program is at http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/holiday-programs/youth-holiday-program

GAP Year in USA

Australian au pairs have a great reputation of being outgoing, energetic, and have great childcare experience. This is why they are highly sought after by US host families!

Some of the benefits of an au pair placement with a US host family:

- Return flights from Sydney to the USA
- Basic Insurance Coverage
- Your room and board will be provided by your host family. This includes all meals.
- You will receive a weekly stipend of US$195.75. As your living costs will be covered; this stipend will be your pocket money!
- You are entitled to 2 weeks paid holiday during your au pair exchange, as well as an additional month to travel the USA once you have completed your au pair experience

To find out more, students might like to attend an Information Session:

Date: Saturday 20 September 2014
Time: 10.00am
Venue: Box Hill Library, 1040 Whitehorse Road in Box Hill

Visit http://culturalcare.com.au/ for more information and/or to register to attend!
Moorabbin Flying Services

Moorabbin Flying Services (MFS) formerly Moorabbin Flying School, was established in 1993 by a group of professional pilots with many years of aviation and business experience. The goal of MFS is to provide excellence in flight training and specialist instruction to every student pilot. Year 12 students who keen on a career as a commercial pilot might like to apply for the Certificate IV in Aviation (Commercial Pilot Aeroplane License) through VTAC. The course code is 9430194042 (CSP) and 9430194043 (IFP). For more information visit www.mfs.com.au

New Courses at the University of New South Wales (UNSW)

As these degrees were added after the publication of the 2015 Experience UNSW guide and the 2015 UAC guide, it is possible students may not know they are offered.

424100 B Commerce/B Science (Advanced Science) 5F
424100 B Commerce/B Design (Hons) 5F
426000 B Medicinal Chemistry/B Laws 6.5F
426050 B Music/B Laws 6F
429050 B Life Sciences 3F
429230 B Fine Arts/B Science 4F
429395 B Fine Arts/B Science (Advanced Science) 5F
429331 B Science (Advanced Mathematics)/B Science (Computer Science) 5F
429361 B Science (Advanced Science)/B Science (Computer Science) 5F
Student Exchange Information Evening

Students keen on learning more about student exchange programs are encouraged to attend an upcoming Information Evening and hear from returned students, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and have any questions answered!

**Date:** Thursday 11 September 2014
**Time:** 7.30pm
**Venue:** Radisson on Flagstaff Gardens, 380 William Street in Melbourne

Visit [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au) or call 1300 135 331 for more information.
Guaranteed ATARs at ANU in 2015

ANU has decided to provide domestic students with guaranteed ATARs for 2015 entry. Obviously, all prerequisite and additional selection criteria also apply. Some of these include –

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Students should also note that some programs may have course prerequisites, subject prerequisites, assumed knowledge, additional selection criteria or early closing dates. For information about any additional requirements or how to apply, please refer to [http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/](http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/).

**Sport at La Trobe**

La Trobe University offers a range of courses with a focus on sport or applications in sport. Such undergraduate courses include –

- **Dietetics**
  - Bachelor of Applied Science and Master of Dietetic Practice
- **Exercise Physiology**
  - Bachelor of Exercise Science
  - Bachelor of Exercise Science and Master of Exercise Physiology
- **Exercise Science**
  - Bachelor of Exercise Science
  - Bachelor of Exercise Science and Master of Exercise Physiology
- **Nutrition**
  - Bachelor of Human Nutrition
- **Outdoor Education**
  - Bachelor of Physical and Outdoor Education
  - Bachelor of Outdoor Education
  - Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation Education
- **Physical Education**
  - Bachelor of Physical and Health Education
  - Bachelor of Physical and Outdoor Education
- **Physiotherapy**
  - Bachelor of Applied Science and Master of Physiotherapy Practice
- **Podiatry**
  - Bachelor of Applied Science and Master of Podiatric Practice
- **Prosthetics and Orthotics**
  - Bachelor of Applied Science and Master of Clinical Prosthetics and Orthotics
- **Sport Management**
  - Bachelor of Business (Sport Development and Management)
  - Bachelor of Business (Sport Management)

For details regarding research opportunities, partnerships with sporting teams, and scholarships available visit [http://www.latrobe.edu.au/sport](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/sport)
➤ **VCE Plus**

_This is your opportunity to experience life at La Trobe University, add to your ATAR and challenge yourself academically._

**VCE Plus** is an opportunity for high achieving VCE students to complete two first year university subjects and have them recognised as part of their VCE. Students enrolled in VCE Plus choose a pair of first year university subjects to study whilst completing Year 12 (one subject per semester). **VCE Plus** is offered at all La Trobe campuses and subjects are delivered online, face-to-face, or a combination of both.

**ATAR Bonus**

VCE Plus subjects have been approved by VCAA and will count as Unit 3 and 4 sequences as part of VCE, contributing to the ATAR score. To receive the ATAR bonus, satisfactory completion of both **VCE Plus** subjects must be achieved. The **VCE Plus** subjects will contribute as a 5th or 6th study increment.


Applications are now open, and close 30 November 2014. Find out more at [http://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/vce-plus](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/vce-plus)

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**MONASH University**

**The Monash Guarantee**

Students who are financially disadvantaged, Indigenous Australians or completing Year 12 at a Monash under-represented school could be eligible for a guaranteed place at Monash – even if their ATAR is below the Clearly-In. The Monash Guarantee is available for a range of identified courses, across all faculties at Monash. For eligible students who have met all course prerequisites and extra requirements, the **Monash Guarantee** provides:

- a guaranteed offer for courses where selection is based on ATAR only
- a guaranteed interview for MBBS if you meet the ATAR and UMAT requirements
- a guaranteed interview OR guaranteed offer (if you have already passed the interview/audition requirements) for courses where selection is based on a combination of ATAR and interview/audition

To find out more including a list of eligible courses, visit [http://www.monash.edu.au/study/options/guaranteed-entry/](http://www.monash.edu.au/study/options/guaranteed-entry/)
Cadetships in Logistics

The Victorian Transport Association (VTA) offers a two-year Cadetship Program for students keen on working in a logistics company. Cadets study a Certificate IV in Logistics and a Diploma of Logistics, while earning a full-time wage. They attend eight, one week blocks of training each year, conducted at TAFE. Training is completed by workplace assignments and assessments. Cadets are rotated through different areas of the business and each cadet is assigned a workplace mentor. The next intake is due to commence in March 2015, and the completion of Year 12 is required for applying for this cadetship.

For more information contact the Victorian Transport Association (VTA) on (03) 9646 8590, email cadetship@vta.com.au or visit www.vta.com.au.

Relocation Scholarship to University of Tasmania (UTAS)

The University of Tasmania (UTAS) invites the best and the brightest from across Australia to apply for a Relocation Scholarship. The scholarship is designed to encourage high achieving interstate students to study Law at the University of Tasmania by assisting with the financial costs of moving to Tasmania. The scholarship consists of a once-off payment of approximately $5,000 and is awarded automatically to eligible students who accept an offer and enrol to study law at UTAS.

To be eligible to be considered for this scholarship, students must –

✓ Be a new/commencing University student
✓ Have recently completed year 12
✓ Have achieved an ATAR of 90 or above (or the equivalent)
✓ Are enrolled in a direct entry Bachelor of Laws or Combined Degree with Law at the University of Tasmania as of the applicable census date

For further information please contact the Faculty of Law Executive Officer at Kira.White@utas.edu.au or visit http://www.utas.edu.au/law/scholarships/relocation-scholarship
Advanced Diploma of Engineering Pathway to Deakin

Box Hill Institute’s Advanced Diploma of Engineering course has an articulation with Deakin University. On successful completion of this course students will receive 18 months credit, and are eligible to enrol directly into the fourth semester of the Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering at Deakin University.

This course also leads to further studies at other higher educational organisations, and students may receive 1 year to 18 months credits for a four year mechanical engineering degree. The VTAC Code for this advanced diploma is 5100251414.

For more information visit http://www.bhtafe.edu.au/courses/local/Pages/ENG54.aspx or call 1300 BOX HILL (1300 269 445).

Ecotech Technical Cadet Program

Ecotech is an Australian owned company that provides comprehensive solutions for pollution monitoring needs. It specialises in ambient air, emissions, dust, process gas, water and blast monitoring solutions. Ecotech manufactures and exports air monitoring instruments and systems throughout the world.

Ecotech offers a structured 3 - 4 year cadet program where students have the opportunity to combine their studies with paid work experience. The cadetship program runs in conjunction with the student’s final year of secondary school.

The first year of the program is based on a structured workplace learning arrangement with the student and the school (a few hours every fortnight), and once the student is at university, the program will be based on industry based learning with the student and tertiary institute. Ecotech will contribute 50% to the successful applicant’s university fees on successful completion of each unit/semester, and will also pay above the award wage to the successful applicant.

Current Year 11 students are eligible to apply and applicants should be technically minded, with an interest in the environment. They should also be thinking of studying an engineering or technology discipline at university. Applications close on 24 October 2014.

Find out more by downloading the PDF Fact Sheet at www.ecotech.com.au/about-us/employment