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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Career Counselling Services**

Options Career Information provides career counselling services for school students and people at any stage in their career looking for life balance and/or career change. Sessions can be face-to-face, Skype or Face Time, online or over the phone. Email shauna@OptionsCareers.com.au or visit <u>Life Career Options</u> for further information.



#### **Group Training Organisations (GTOs) in Queensland**

GTOs employ apprentices and trainees and place them with a host employer until the apprenticeship or traineeship has been completed. Some GTOs provide apprenticeships and traineeships in specific industries, others provide them across many industries. For more information about GTOs, visit the <a href="Group Training Australia website">Group Training Australia website</a>. The following GTOs provide a service in Queensland.

- The <u>Aboriginal Employment Strategy</u> (AES) is a 100% Indigenous managed, national company. It
  provides school-based and full-time apprenticeship and traineeship opportunities for Indigenous
  young people
- <u>AFL SportsReady</u> is a national company. It works in partnership with organisations across several
  industry sectors including sport and recreation, business and administration, finance, banking,
  horticulture, information technology, retail and creative industries
- All Trades Queensland supplies apprenticeships and traineeships for a range of industries, including construction, automotive, engineering and hospitality. Locations covered include Brisbane, Gold Coast, Toowoomba and Ipswich
- Apprenticeship Careers Australia is a national organisation that offers apprenticeships and traineeships in multiple industries
- Apprenticeships Queensland provides apprentices and trainees for businesses across South East
  Queensland in hospitality, automotive, construction, business and engineering
- Apprenticeships R Us specialises in automotive apprenticeships across NSW, Victoria and Queensland. It also offers traineeships in business services, community services, warehousing, hospitality and retail
- <u>Australian Industry Group Training Centre</u> (AiGTC) is a national organisation providing
  apprenticeships and traineeships primarily in the automotive, telecommunications, manufacturing,
  engineering, business, refrigeration and maintenance trades
- <u>Australian Training Company</u> has offices in New South Wales, South-East Queensland and Canberra.
   It provides apprentices and trainees for a range of industries, including business services, information technology, hospitality, horticulture, traditional trades, sport, fitness and recreation
- <u>Capricornia Training Company</u> (CTC) offers apprenticeships and traineeships in multiple industries for people in the Rockhampton and Central Regional Queensland areas
- <u>Community Solutions</u> provides apprentices and trainees for multiple industries in the North Brisbane area, Sunshine Coast and regional locations up to Townsville
- <u>DGT</u> provides apprenticeship and traineeship services for multiple industries from its head office in Toowoomba – from the Lockyer Valley to the east, Roma to the west, Goondiwindi to the south, Kingaroy to the north and everywhere in between, as well as Northern NSW
- <u>Electrogroup Apprenticeships Qld</u> is a GTO that recruit, employ and train electrical apprentices for careers in the electrotechnology sector

- Gladstone Area Group Apprentices Ltd (GAGAL) is a Group Training Organisation providing apprentices and trainees to businesses across a board range of industries throughout Central Queensland
- Golden West Apprenticeships assists apprentices and trainees to enter jobs in a broad range of industries in Roma, Toowoomba, Dalby, Emerald, Goondiwindi and surrounding areas
- HIA Apprentices provide apprentices for the construction industry
- <u>Maxima</u> provides apprenticeship and traineeship services to multiple industries throughout Queensland
- MEGT Australia Group Training offers apprenticeships and traineeships in a broad range of industries
- MIGAS Apprentices and Trainees is a national organisation that services, construction, electrical, mechanical, automotive, manufacturing, engineering and mining industries
- MRAEL provides apprenticeships and traineeships in a broad range of industries in Queensland
- <u>NECA Group Training</u> specialises in apprenticeships for the electrotechnology industry (electrician and telecommunications technician)
- Novaskill is a multi-industry group training organisation offering services from Sydney to Mackay
- OSMAC Group Training specialises in a number of different trades within the automotive, construction, electrical, engineering, plumbing, warehousing, and business administration fields
- <u>Skill360 Australia</u> located in Cairns, Kirwan, Mount Isa and Townsville, is a multi-industry service provider
- <u>Smart Employment Solutions Apprenticeships and Traineeships</u> supports most occupations and trades in South East Queensland
- <u>TABMA</u> employs apprentices and trainees in many industries and specialise in the timber, construction, forestry, furnishing and manufacturing industries across Australia
- <u>TORGAS</u> provides apprentices and trainees to businesses throughout Queensland. It is a multiindustry service provider
- <u>WPC Group</u> provides apprenticeships and traineeships in automotive, engineering, business and government, hospitality, horticulture, building trades and green trades

#### Looking for information about apprenticeships and traineeships?

<u>Apprenticeship Central</u> is a job search site where apprentices and employers can connect, specifically dedicated to apprenticeships and Traineeships in Australia. Its aim is to provide a space for users to search for opportunities and also connects job seekers with employers. If you are looking for an apprenticeship or traineeship you can register and be notified of current vacancies.

The <u>website</u> allows you to complete a career quiz and register to use the free Resume Builder. For more information, talk with your school Guidance Counsellor/Officer and/or VET Coordinator.

#### **MEGT online Job Board**

MEGT provide employment and training options for school students and school leavers. They have an <u>online Job Board</u> listing school based apprentice and trainee opportunities. Check it out and see your Career Counsellor/Guidance Officer/VET coordinator if you have any questions.



#### Get fit and pass the Australian Defence Force (ADF) fitness test

Many competitive applicants miss out on their ADF career opportunity because they don't meet the preenlistment fitness assessment. It is vital that applicants continue to maintain an appropriate level of fitness throughout their application process (playing school and club sport usually doesn't make you fit enough). A 'Get fit for the ADF in just four weeks' will assist you to start preparing for the ADF fitness assessment.

#### Looking at being a pilot in the Australian Defence Force!

The <u>Defence Jobs website</u> has information about being a pilot in the Air Force. You can find out:

- Compare ADF and commercial planes
- How much training will cost
- How much you will earn once qualified
- How fast will you go!
- The fighter pilot training journey
- How to apply

#### **Upcoming Australian Defence Force Information Sessions**

Stay informed about important upcoming <u>Queensland and National ADF events and information sessions</u> by visiting the Defence Jobs website.

View the specific events information link for more details including: location, times and to book your tickets.

Further information about these events and Army Reserve Information Sessions can be accessed on the ADF <u>Facebook</u> site.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

08/05/2019	Lismore Pilot & Aviation Careers Information Session Lismore
08/05/2019	<u>Townsville ADF Combat &amp; Security Roles Information Session Townsville</u>
08/05/2019	Gold Coast Women in Defence 'I Can, You Can' Evening Gold Coast
09/05/2019	Gold Coast ADF Officer Information Session Robina
09/05/2019	Gold Coast Pilot & Aviation Careers Information Session Robina
09/05/2019	Brisbane Defence Careers Information Session Brisbane
09/05/2019	Sunshine Coast A Night in The Navy Maroochydore

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13/05/2019	Rockhampton 'Ask Me Anything' Information Session Rockhampton, QLD
13/05/2019	Goondiwindi Defence Careers Information Session Goondiwindi, QLD
14/05/2019	Tweed Heads Army Reserve Information Session Tweed Heads
14/05/2019	Rockhampton Elders & Community Morning Tea Rockhampton, QLD
14/05/2019	Rockhampton Elders & Community Morning Tea Rockhampton
14/05/2019	Cairns Logistics, Hospitality & Support Careers Information Session Cairns, QLD
14/05/2019	Toowoomba Army Reserve Information Session Toowoomba
15/05/2019	Chermside Army Reserve Information Session Chermside, QLD
16/05/2019	Stanthorpe Defence Careers Information Session Stanthorpe
16/05/2019	Townsville Logistics, Hospitality & Support Careers Information Session Townsville, QLD
20/05/2019	Weipa Defence Careers Information Session Weipa
20/05/2019	Brisbane ADF Combat & Security Roles Information Session Brisbane
20/05/2019	Brisbane Logistics, Hospitality & Support Careers Information Session  Maroochydore



#### Career Exploration - where to start?

The <u>Western Australian Government, Jobs & Skills WA</u> has put together a great website where you can find information, resources and tools specific to Career Exploration. Visit their <u>website</u> and scroll down to the *Information and Resources section* and check out:

- Finding out more about career planning
- Interactive tools to help you along
- Read about how Anita, a young Aboriginal woman and how she made it happen
- Fact sheets to help with career planning

As they state on their website, career development is the continual process of managing your learning, leisure and work to progress through your life. It includes gaining and using the skills and knowledge you need to plan and make informed decisions about education, training and work. Check out this excellent resource to start or continue your journey today!

#### CareerMe App

<u>CareerMe</u> provides users with key information about jobs and career topics of interest including average wage, number of employees, where they can study to get into the industry and contact information for most of the relevant employment and training organisations. This app is free and can be downloaded from the iPhone App Store or Google Play.

For more information, visit the <u>CareerMe</u> website.

#### How knowing your values can positively impact your career

An article by Psychologist Sabina Read looked at the importance of values in career decision making. Values shape the career choices we make, but what exactly are values and how can you identify the values that are important to you and that will positively impact your career? You should know which workplace values are important and how they can shape the decisions you make.

Some common values to help you getting started thinking about what's important to you are listed below. Ask yourself, which of these values are important to you and whether there are any you want to add.

- Adventure: To be adventurous; to actively seek, create, or explore novel or stimulating experiences
- Assertiveness: To respectfully stand up for my rights and request what I want

- Authenticity: To be authentic, genuine, real; to be true to myself
- Caring: To be caring towards myself, others, the environment
- Challenge: To keep challenging myself to grow, learn, improve
- **Cooperation:** To be cooperative and collaborative with others
- Creativity: To be creative or innovative
- Curiosity: To be curious, open-minded and interested; to explore and discover
- Fairness: To be fair to myself and others
- Humour: To see and appreciate the humorous side of life
- Independence: To be self-supportive, and choose my own way of doing things
- Open-mindedness: To see things through/from other's points of view, and weigh evidence fairly
- Power: To strongly influence or wield authority over others, e.g. taking charge, leading, organising
- Respect: To be respectful towards myself or others; to be polite and show positive regard
- Self-development: To keep growing, advancing or improving in knowledge, skills, character, or life experience
- Supportiveness: To be supportive, helpful, encouraging and available to myself or others
- Trust: To be trustworthy; to be loyal, faithful, sincere and reliable

<u>Click here</u> to read the article and find out more about what values are and why knowing your values is important for career fulfilment.

#### <u>Jobs related to school subjects – is there a link?</u>

An early step in career exploration is to develop a list of jobs you are interested in. Start by thinking about the school subjects you most enjoy. Access the Bullseye Posters from the <a href="mayfuture website">myfuture website</a> here you will find a resource called the 'Bullseye Posters' which will help you find jobs that are related to the subjects you like. There are over 30 Bullseye Posters to check out. Each poster groups jobs into four qualification levels. You can also download a booklet, <a href="mayfuture website">School subjects you like and what they can lead to</a>, that includes the Bullseye Posters, from the Commonwealth Department of Education and Training <a href="mayfuture website">website</a>.

#### **The Good Careers Guide**

The Good Careers Guide, based on 2018 data, provides information on every aspect of career planning, from finding the right course, to job hunting, and CV and interview tips. Whether you are a student, parent, career adviser, or job seeker, you will find valuable information to assist you in your career planning. To order a copy or copies visit their website (there is a cost).

# Competitions

#### **Premiers Reading Challenge**

The <u>Premier's Reading Challenge</u> is not a competition but a way to encourage students to develop a love of reading for life. Through the challenge children and students are given an opportunity to develop their appreciation of the English language, and additional languages, and are encouraged to explore and enjoy a wide range of literary texts. Children and students can participate in the challenge within their school, early childhood centre or as individual readers.

Children and students who complete the challenge have their efforts recognised through the receipt of a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier of Queensland. Early childhood centres will also receive a centre-wide certificate of recognition for their involvement. Schools, early childhood centres and parents of individual readers are encouraged to recognise reading achievements by holding classroom, school or home ceremonies to present certificates during the Premier's Reading Challenge <u>Celebration Weeks</u> in November.

#### School and individual readers (Prep - Year 9)

For a student to successfully complete the Premier's Reading Challenge they are required to read or experience the number of books indicated in the table below. Experiencing a book includes classroom or at home activities such as shared reading, listening and reading along with a book, or being read to.

Year level	Number of books
Prep - Year 2	Read or experience 20 books
Years 3 - 4	20 books
Years 5 - 9	15 books

The requirement for Year 5 through to Year 9 students to read 15 books acknowledging that older students are likely to select longer, more complex books that may take them longer to read. Students are encouraged to select a range of fiction and non-fiction books suited to their reading ability. With no compulsory reading list for the challenge, <u>booklists</u> are available to help students, teachers, parents and guardians select appropriate reading material.

#### **USQ: Get Writing Competition - Now Open!**

The Get Writing Competition has had some changes for 2019 but is now open for entries. The competition is for Queensland students in Years 10-12. Students are to submit either a poem and/or one short story, for the chance to win \$100 and a one-on-one mentoring session with a current USQ English Literature or Creative and Critical Writing student. There will be six winners in total, a poetry winner and a short story winner for each year level. Enter now before the competition closes on Monday 27 May at 4.00pm. For more information visit the USQ Get Writing Competition website.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

07/05/2019 to 27/05/2019

13/05/2019 to 23/08/2019

Discrete Writing Competition

Premiers Reading Challenge

06/09/2019

Premiers Reading Challenge ends

## Disabilities

#### **Griffith University's Tertiary Education Experience (TEE)**

TEE is an annual event hosted by the Disabilities Services within Griffith's Student Diversity and Inclusion Unit. It is aimed at students with disabilities in Years 9 – 12 who are interested in future university study and is open to students across South-East Queensland and Northern NSW. Examples of disabilities include mental health conditions, learning disabilities, speech impairments, neurological conditions, vision, hearing or mobility impairments, impaired function of arms/hands, back conditions, or long-term medical conditions. Parents/guardians and teachers are welcome to attend with students. The program is designed to assist students with disabilities to:

- · choose a degree aligned with their dream career
- identify and develop skills needed for university study
- identify support networks that are available
- obtain a realistic view of life on campus and what is expected of university students
- connect with Griffith student mentors who also have disabilities

<u>Expressions of Interest</u> to attend the 2019 TEE program are open. Students, teachers and parents may register via the online form. For more information email teeprogram@griffith.edu.au

#### **Upcoming Events:**

07/05/2019 to 31/05/2019 <u>Griffith University's Tertiary Education Experience EOI</u>

#### Queensland Government - Support for people with a disability

<u>People with disability</u> in Queensland. It includes a section for young people. Here you will find information on:

- Bullying
- Early Childhood
- Going to School
- Leaving School
- Getting some help
- Keys to good mental health in Children

The 'leaving school' topic will be of interest to senior students with disability. Visit the website for details.



#### **A Winning Resume**

What makes a winning resume?

It's got to be succinct, achievement-focused, well formatted, keyword optimised, grammatically correct and... this list could go on, but who's got time for that? There is no one right answer/format for writing a winning resume but <u>Seek Career Advice</u> have developed and provided a free, professionally designed <u>resume template</u> to help get you started.

Even if you are not ready for a part time job yet, it's a good idea to get your resume done so it is ready for when that 'great' opportunity comes along.

#### Five steps to employment

The following steps are adapted from How to Find Work – In the 21st Century by Ron McGowan.

They were written for university graduates, but could be helpful for graduating Year 12 students.

- Review your online presence Most employers today check out applicants on the Internet and
  social media sites. What they find out about you will either increase your chances of being hired, or
  eliminate you. Recruiters, employers and hiring managers say that over 30 % of the applicants they
  review are rejected because of what they found out about them online with Facebook and YouTube
  postings as the main sources for rejection.
- **Don't rely on advertised positions** One of the biggest mistakes job seekers make is to focus on advertised positions. The clear majority of employment opportunities today are never advertised and learning how to find them is a process that involves several skills, including developing your social networks and letting them know you are looking for a job.
- Focus on small companies Most employment opportunities are to be found in small companies, which include self-employed people who have more work than they can handle. Increase your chances of being hired by emphasising that you're open to part-time, temporary, and contract work.
- Learn how to sell yourself Many job seekers are very uncomfortable with this area but it's a skill you must develop. The good news is anyone can learn how to do it. You'll be pleasantly surprised at how effectively you can sell yourself once you understand what you can offer an employer.
- Create a LinkedIn Account Learn as much as you can about LinkedIn before you do this. Spend as
  much time creating your LinkedIn account as you would spend when developing your resume. Make
  sure the information on both is consistent since recruiters, employers and hiring managers will be
  looking at both. Keep your account up to date as you gain more experience and pick up new skills.

#### **Skills for an Automated Future**

According to many of the leading economic analysts the coming decade will see significant disruption in the way we work. Estimates vary, but out of the current workforce between 7 million and 11 million existing jobs are expected to see a significant share of their activities eliminated or radically transformed through automation and artificial intelligence. Should we panic ... definitely not! Patrick Snider has written an interesting article <u>Changing how we develop skills, measure them and apply them in the workforce</u>. Although a Canadian writer, the information is also relevant to Australia.

#### So what is the difference between a nutritionist and a dietitian really?

Many of us have a rough idea of what it takes to be fit and healthy. Get at least seven hours sleep, drink two litres of water a day, and knock out at least a 30min workout more than a handful of times a week.

But beyond this, there are countless times many of us are left scratching our heads as to the intricacies of dieting, weight loss and sports science – what's the right approach for me?

That's where Nutritionists and Dietitians come in handy! They're experts in presenting helpful health and wellbeing advice, but there's subtle differences between the professions that you should know about. Visit Comparing Apples and Oranges: Nutritionist vs Dietitian on the UQ Sport - Play your way website.

#### What happens to my resume after I click 'apply'

Seek has summarised what often happens to your job application once you submit it. Your resume usually goes through a series of stages before it's decided whether or not you'll be invited to an interview. As the applicant, you don't get to see what those stages are, and who might be reading your resume at each point in the process. But if you know what happens to your application after you submit it, and who's reading it each step of the way, you'll be able to tailor it to those audiences and have a greater chance of landing an interview. The article discusses:

- Submit your application
- An Applicant Tracking System (ATS) scans resumes for keywords and eliminates irrelevant applications
- A recruiter reviews and shortlists possible applicants
- The decision-maker within the business reviews the shortlist

Click here to read the details.

#### What Should I Study So I Can Get A Job In The Future?

According to an article published on the <u>Foundations for Young Australians website</u>, if you're worried about what the future of work is going to look like and whether or not you'll need to be able to build or even beat a robot to get a job? You're not alone. There's been quite a bit of chat of late about what the future of work will look like and which jobs will be around. The Foundation for Young Australians has cut to the chase so young people can prep for what's in store.

They have looked at 2.7 million job ads. This showed that to be ready for the changes that are coming we should be thinking about skills, not jobs. <u>Use this link</u> to find out more about the skills for the future work place and employment.

#### What's the difference between a recruiter, a head hunter and a hiring manager?

Recruiters, headhunters and hiring managers are often thought of as one and the same, because they can all help get you a job. But each of these professions has a different purpose, which can affect how you interact with them during your job search. Seek.com have broken down the key differences between the professions and how you can work best with each one.

#### What is a recruiter?

A recruiter attracts and sources people to fill specific positions. Internal recruiters work in-house and are responsible for their company's hiring needs. External or agency recruiters work for recruitment agencies and can specialise in permanent or contract recruitment.

#### What is a headhunter?

Headhunters typically work as third-party agents for their clients. Often, headhunters focus on a speciality area or executive roles. Many employers will use a headhunter when they have a very important vacancy to fill. Other employers supplement their recruiting staff with external headhunters.

#### What is a hiring manager?

The hiring manager is usually the person that has the final say as to whether a person is placed in a role. In most cases, this person will be the manager or supervisor that you will report to if you get the job.

<u>Click here</u> to find out more about each of these roles.

#### **Youth Jobs PaTH**

Youth Jobs PaTH is a flexible approach to youth employment. It is designed to support young people to gain the employability skills and work experience they need to get and keep a job. It also supports employers to host internship placements and provides them with incentives when they take on a young person. Youth Jobs PaTH has three elements: Prepare, Trial, Hire. Learn more about the Trial with an internship placement on their website.



#### 2020 Scholarships at the International College of Hotel Management (ICHM)

ICHM, located in Adelaide, prepares students for hotel management roles based on the Swiss Hotel Association (SHA) model that stresses the importance of learning all aspects of the hotel industry. Students can finish their studies after completing the B Business (Hospitality Management) or go on to complete the more advanced B International Hotel Management (Swiss Hotel Association). During the course, students have an opportunity to learn a language and to experience industry placements in Australia or overseas. ICHM will offer three types of scholarships in 2020.

- Australian students (including students at Australian International Schools overseas) and international students completing high school in Australia - For Entry in 2020
- New Zealand students studying in NZ For Entry in 2020

#### **Australian Students - Scholarship Eligibility**

To apply for these scholarships, you must be one of the following:

- All citizens of Australia (both resident and non-resident).
- International students attending school in Australia who will complete a minimum of the last two years of their high school studies in Australia.
- Students at Australian International Schools in Singapore, Malaysia, Vietnam, Manila and Hong Kong.
- Non-resident New Zealand passport holders.

You must also meet the standard admission requirements, that being Year 12 with one of the following - ATAR score of 65 / OP score of 14/ IB Diploma score of 26 or equivalent international schooling. For more information visit the ICHM Scholarship website.

#### **GU: Griffith University Scholarships video**

Griffith and its partners provide more than \$40 million annually, to support students as they complete their degrees. Over 600 scholarships are available to new and continuing students whose success at University would benefit from direct financial support. Griffith has developed a YouTube video to explain the scholarships they offer and the application process. Access the video <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. For more information visit <a href="https://example.com/griffith-scholarships">Griffith scholarships</a>.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

06/07/2019 to 01/10/2019 2020 Griffith Uni Scholarships open Online

#### **Westpac Bicentennial Foundation scholarships**

Westpac's Bicentennial Foundation fund provides \$100 million for scholarships and awards for Australian university students, graduates and post-doctoral researchers. While these scholarships are not currently available for Year 12 students, they could be goals for students to aspire to in the future. Read more on the <a href="Westpac website">Westpac website</a>.



#### **Gap Year Program News**

**At Camp America** you will work directly with American children instructing or assisting them in activities. There are over a thousand camps so there are opportunities available for everyone. Camp America applications for 2020 will open in July 2019. Visit the website for information about the programs offered.

**Lattitude Global Volunteering** offers several overseas gap year programs. Applications for 2020 are now open with some destinations already 50% filled. Visit the <u>website</u> to <u>take the quiz</u> to see which gap year experience might be right for you.

**Letz Live** - Did you miss the deadline for the Letz Live UK Gap Year program for 2020? You can still put your name on a waitlist by contacting the letzlive team using their <u>Contact Page</u>. Visit the <u>Letz Live website</u> for information about their other gap year programs.

**Projects Abroad** – If you have questions about the programs offered by Projects Abroad, you can download an online information session from the website. You can also email a question from the website.

**Southern Cross Cultural Exchange** will hold webinars each month talking about their exchange programs to Germany, Spain, Italy, USA/Hawaii and Scandinavia. Visit the website for more information and to <u>register</u>.

**World Education Program Student Exchange** (WEP) will hold the following information sessions in many different locations throughout Queensland. Register to attend these sessions on the <u>website</u>

#### **Upcoming Events:**

17/12/0019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online
16/05/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online
13/07/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online
18/07/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online
08/08/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online
04/09/2019	Brisbane WEP information session Brisbane
05/09/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online
23/10/2019	Brisbane WEP information session Brisbane
14/11/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online
27/11/2019	Brisbane WEP information session Brisbane
05/12/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Webinar Online



#### Medicine at the University of Sydney

The <u>Double Degree Medicine Program (DDMP)</u> allows school leavers to start an approved three-year undergraduate degree and follow on with the four-year graduate-entry Doctor of Medicine (MD). Please note that entry into the DDMP is extremely competitive. For students interested in medicine, the University of Sydney offers the following undergraduate pathway through the following dual qualifications:

- B Arts/Doctor of Medicine
- B Science/Doctor of Medicine

Entry criteria include a very high ATAR (or OP - see conversion tables <u>here</u>), assumed knowledge (depending on the dual qualification chosen), Maths B (High Achievement)/Mathematical Methods (B Standard/Grade but to be confirmed later in the year for Queensland students) and an assessment process. UCAT is not a requirement for these courses. Find out more on the <u>website</u>.

#### **Study Medicine in Samoa**

Oceania University of Medicine (OUM), located in Apia Samoa blends distance learning and hands-on clinical rotations to help aspiring physicians overcome distance, personal, and professional barriers to achieve their dream. OUM's MD program is based on a full-scale, rigorous medical school curriculum, which is typically completed in four-and-a-half to five years. To learn if OUM's approach is right for you or to speak to an Admissions Counsellors, call 1300 665 343 or email <a href="mailto:enquiries@oum.edu.ws">enquiries@oum.edu.ws</a> or check out the links below:

- What they are about: Oceania University of Medicine students have the best of all worlds. The
  challenging preclinical program is presented online followed by traditional clinical rotations arranged
  at affiliated teaching hospitals. Graduates are currently practicing or training in Australia, Canada,
  New Zealand, Samoa, and United States. For more information visit the Our Approach to Learning
  webpage.
- Admissions: If you always dreamed of becoming a physician but "life" got in the way, Oceania University of Medicine is right for you. The flexibility of online medical school allows non-traditional students to balance school with work and family obligations. The median age for OUM students is 40.5 with a range from 22 to 62 years of age. For more information visit the Admissions webpage.
- **How it Works**: The rigorous curriculum is based largely on American and Australian medical education models. The program is typically completed in four-and-a-half to five years. Accreditation provides a requisite credential that medical school graduates need for licensure and post-graduate training. For more information visit the <u>OUM Curriculum webpage</u>.



#### A career path you may not know about: Human Resource Professionals

Human Resource Professionals plan, develop, implement and evaluate staff recruitment, assist in resolving disputes by advising on workplace matters, and represent industrial, commercial, union, employer and other parties in negotiations on issues such as enterprise bargaining, rates of pay and conditions of employment. Related occupations located on myfuture include:

- Human Resource Adviser
- Recruitment Consultant
- Workplace Relations Adviser
- Human Resource Consultant
- Employment Consultant
- Literary Agent

#### Main tasks performed

- arranging for advertising of job vacancies, interviewing and testing of applicants, and selection of staff
- maintaining personnel records and associated human resource information systems
- providing advice and information to management on workplace relations policies and procedures,
   staff performance and disciplinary matters
- arranging the induction of staff and providing information on conditions of service, salaries and promotional opportunities
- receiving and recording job vacancy information from employers such as details about job description, wages and conditions of employment
- providing information on current job vacancies in the organisation to employers and job seekers

#### Make something, Anything: Five tips for breaking into film

According to industry experts, the following tips will help you start a career in the film industry.

- **Film school doesn't have all the answers** Many successful screenwriters and directors did not do a formal film course. However, doing a formal film course does have some advantages, such as introducing you to contacts and offering forums to showcase and critique your work.
- Consider different types of jobs in the industry While roles such as writer, director and producer may be what you want, it is advisable to research information on the other jobs in the industry (such as in the art department, costume, sound, locations) that may be an entry pathway.

- **Build a portfolio of work** Shoot anything at all, even on your phone. Then enter your film into every film festival you can find.
- Make connections and collaborate Trawl through the film and TV listings site, <u>IMDb</u>, to find contact details of producers and directors. Offer your services. You could get a bite. Stay in touch with people your own age who have the same ambitions as you. They could be your future collaborators. Sites such as <u>ScreenSkills</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u> and <u>Twitter</u> are also useful online networking tools for the film industry. Finding a mentor who is experienced, but not necessarily a big name in the industry.
- **Should I get an agent?** Having an agent can't hurt but you really don't need one. When you immerse yourself in creative projects, agents will appear.

These tips come from an article in The Guardian. Read the whole article on the website.

#### Museums – not all dark and dusty anymore!

According to the Museum Galleries Australia (MGA) website, career opportunities within museums and galleries are virtually endless. They say that people from a variety of backgrounds and jobs can find their perfect career in a museum, whether they are a scientist, an historian, an electrician, a designer or a librarian. The MGA website lists six key job areas in a museum. These are:

- Curators and exhibition officers oversee collections by managing the acquisition, preservation and display of objects.
- Registrars and collection management staff ensure collection items are documented, displayed, conserved and stored correctly.
- Conservators aim to minimise change to collection material, to protect items from the adverse
  effects of climate and chemical deterioration, and to safeguard our heritage not only for here and
  now but for generations to come.
- Education and outreach officers engage with communities and groups of all ages outside the museum.
- The role of **management** depends on the size of the museum or gallery. A small community museum may have only one person who is museum director, finance manager, fundraiser and curator all in one. In larger institutions, there will likely be a museum director (or CEO) and department managers in charge of strategic and operational matters and public relations.
- **Visitor services** are the front of house jobs that involve meeting and greeting and making sure visitors have a good time in the museum.
- Administrators and technical staff vary greatly depending on the size of the museum or gallery and can include finance and human relations staff, picture framers, photographers, electricians, graphic designers, carpenters, librarians, marketers and security personnel.

You will find more information about each of these career areas on the <u>MGA website</u>. The <u>Job Monkey website</u> also has a section on museum careers. View 'Behind the scenes: From marbles to mummies' on <u>YouTube</u> to listen to London museum workers talk about their jobs.

#### What does sustainability look like?

Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre (GCCEC) is a world-leading sustainable meeting and events venue, operating to the highest environmental standard and championing environmental stewardship.

GCCEC adopts a six-step approach to integrating sustainable business practices across the organisation in alignment with the requirements of EarthCheck's Gold Certification. This includes the development and implementation of sustainability policies, benchmarking of performance, compliance across licenses, leases, permits and agreements, the development of a risk assessment and sustainability plan, performance and communication.

GCCEC display their Environmental Policy at loading docks and foyers and include the introduction of the Environmental Management Plan and EarthCheck program in the induction presentation for staff and contractors.

As a result of their changes, GCCEC have reduced their energy, water and waste consumption and offer support to their local community through partnerships with organisations like OzHarvest to redistribute leftover food.

Visit the Queensland Tourism Industry Council website for more information

#### Why learning a foreign language can enhance your career

According to an <u>article</u> on the Lifehack website, the foreign languages that help you find the top language jobs are Spanish, French, German, Mandarin and Arabic. The article lists the top 10 language jobs you can get with a foreign language. These are:

- **Games Translator** Companies like Nintendo are always looking for in-game translators that can translate from English to Japanese or other languages.
- Brand Specialist Brand specialists work with customers to serve the ongoing product improvements of Google.
- **Community Representative** Organisations such as <u>Blizzard Entertainment</u>, employ bilingual speakers to engage with their player communities. The job includes helping with game development and supporting the company at events, including <u>BlizzCon</u>.
- **Flight Attendant** If the idea of getting paid to travel sounds exciting to you, flight attendant maybe something to explore. Depending on which airline you work for, many of the top airlines will look for flight attendants that can speak a foreign language.
- **Lead Coordinator** In non-profit organisations, understanding a foreign language will help advance your position in the organisation because you can communicate with the people you're trying to help
- Analyst or Associate Banking is done all around the world, and this involves doing business with
  people from different cultures and countries globally. Knowing a foreign language can give you an
  upper hand when it comes to negotiating or deal making.
- Photographer Photography is an art that goes beyond languages, but if you want to shoot around the world, you should certainly learn a foreign language.
- **Fashion Buyer** Whether it's Milan, Barcelona, or São Paulo, fashion is a global industry, and you'll be working with people all around the world, who speak multiple languages.
- **Recruiter** The recruiter's role is to be able to communicate with employees from many countries and recruit the best person for the job.
- Foreign Correspondents If you want to find the best stories, you need to know how to communicate in a language other than English, especially if you want to speak with the locals.



#### The Big Day In - IT Conference

If you are interested in future jobs and opportunities in the computer/IT field, consider attending the 'The Big Day In' conference. This conference is designed by students for students in high school (Years 9-12) and university students interested in a career in technology. During the day you will hear from speakers and talk with exhibitors and organisations involved. In 2019, the BiG Day In roadshow will be run in many locations nationally. The event in Brisbane will be on Wednesday 5 June at the University of Queensland. Click here to find out more and purchase a \$10 ticket. An event will also be held at USQ Springfield.



#### **Gold Coast Careers and Employment Festival**

The 2019 Festival will be held on Wednesday 15 May and Thursday 16 May 2019 at the Gold Coast Event Centre Bundall. Over 50 exhibitors across the education and training sector as well as employers seeking to align their businesses and brand with the Gold Coasts leading education and employment event. The Gold Coast Careers Festival brings together educators, high schools students, parents, career advisors, prospective students, job seekers, and anyone who wants to explore their study options, career pathways and employment opportunities in an interactive and dynamic environment. Check out the Festival Program webpage for more information.

### **Private Provider Updates**

#### **Crimson Education**

<u>Crimson Education</u> provides <u>admissions support</u> for students wishing to apply for universities in the USA, UK, New Zealand and Australia. <u>USA Sports scholarship support</u> is also available. Visit the <u>Crimson website</u> for information about their programs. They provide support for:

- Ivy League Admissions
- Med School Consulting
- MBA/Postgrad Admissions
- Athletic Scholarship Support
- Extracurricular Advising
- Leadership Mentoring
- Career Mentoring
- Summer Programs

#### **NIDA Term Two and Three Classes**

The National Institute of Dramatic Art is offering a range of classes during Term Two and Term 3 for students of all ages. Please use the links below to access more information or to enrol. Classes include:

- Drama for <u>Grades 7-10 (Chapel Hill)</u> or <u>Grades 7-10 (Kelvin Grove)</u>
- Drama for Grades 9-10 (Brisbane)
- Drama for Grades 7-8 (Brisbane)
- Acting on Screen <u>Grades 7-10 (Brisbane)</u> or <u>Grades 11-12 (Brisbane)</u>
- Next Stage for Grades 7-10 (Brisbane)

#### **SAE QANTM - Creative Media Institute Info Night**

The SAE Brisbane campus is in West End. It offers diploma and degree courses in Animation, Audio, Design, Film and Games. If you're considering studying creative media, now is the time to speak to our experienced team and pursue your passion in this dynamic and expanding industry. Talk to current students and learn about the life of a creative media student while they study and move into their future after graduation. The Institute will hold an Info Nights in Brisbane and Byron Bay from 6-8 pm on Thursday 9 May 2019. Visit the website for more information about the courses offered and to register to attend the Info Night.



#### National Volunteer Week (NVW): 20 - 26 May 2019

National Volunteer Week is the annual celebration of to acknowledge the generous contribution of our nation's volunteers. Volunteering Australia is excited to announce their new National Volunteer Week theme: Give a little. Change a lot. This years' theme represents the millions of volunteers who make a profound impact in their communities and on society, through giving a little time. Keep track of NVW events on the Volunteering Australia <a href="website">website</a> or Volunteering Queensland <a href="website">website</a>. According to Volunteering Queensland, volunteering is all about making a difference in your community; it also benefits you personally as it offers the chance to:

- act on your values, passions and interests
- make new friendships and create professional networks
- gain work experience and learn new skills
- enjoy new social and cultural experiences
- develop personally and build confidence
- enjoy better physical & mental health as studies show volunteering makes us healthier & happier
- challenge yourself in a supportive environment
- help your community
- have fun!

#### **Upcoming Events:**

20/05/2019 to 26/05/2019 National Volunteer Week



#### Additional entry requirement for teaching courses

If you are nominating Teaching as one of your QTAC preferences, you must meet <u>academic and non-academic entry requirements</u>. Academic entry requirements include subject prerequisites and OP/minimum selection threshold. You can find academic entry requirements for each course in <u>Course Search</u>. If you do not submit the additional entry requirements you won't be considered for a place in teaching at any institution.

You can meet academic entry requirements through:

- senior secondary (Year 12) results
- successful prior study at university or VET level
- successful completion of relevant professional qualifications
- approved admissions tests

<u>Contact the relevant institution</u> for more information on what qualifications are accepted for entry to initial teacher education courses. Information on the selection guidelines including the process for assessment of non-academic capabilities is available from the QTAC website.

#### Adjustment Factors - How can they assist me?

Adjustment Factors help you gain entry into university courses. If you are eligible for Adjustment Factors your position on the merit scale for entry into a course will be 'adjusted' to give you a new, more competitive score.

Universities award Adjustment Factors for a variety of reasons and programs so you will have to enquire with every university you are interested in attending, to fully understand their eligibility requirements. The process for applying for 'Adjustment Factors' may vary so it's important that you start your research now.

Visit the **QTAC** websire for information on the following Assistance schemes:

- Year 12 subject scheme
- Access and equity schemes
- Regional preference scheme
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander schemes
- Elite Athlete and Performer Schemes
- QUT Elite Athlete Special Entry Scheme
- Access USC Elite Athlete Adjustment Scheme
- Other special admissions schemes

#### **Time is passing Year 12s**

Did you know there are only four months left until the QTAC online application is activated (1 August 2019). You need to begin serious planning for 2020 if you have not already started. If you haven't a clue where to start or aren't aware of your options, make an appointment with your school Guidance Officer/Counsellor ASAP. Starting this term, you will have many opportunities to explore your options. For example:

- 24 25 May 2019 <u>Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo</u> at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre. Also, <u>careers expos</u> will be held in regional centres throughout Queensland.
- From May to September most of the institutions have <u>open days</u> at which you can obtain information about courses and check out the campuses.
- You will receive the *QTAC Guide* in June/July. This booklet contains information about courses you can apply for through QTAC and application processes.
- 20 21 July 2019 <u>Tertiary Studies Expo</u> (TSXPO) at the RNA showgrounds. Interstate universities will be represented at this expo.
- From 1 August 2019, you can access a range of up-to-date information about the 2019/20 QTAC application and offer processes and the courses offered from the QTAC website.

Take advantage of all these opportunities to plan your immediate future. 30 September 2019 is the final date to apply for some courses so check your QTAC book carefully for critical dates when you receive it.



#### Regaining your life balance - the Wheel of Life

When study demands take over your life, it's all too easy to find yourself off balance, not paying enough attention to other important areas of your life. This is where the Wheel of Life activity on the MindTools website can be useful. It helps you take a 'helicopter view' of your life, so you can bring things back into balance and manage your life more effectively. The MindTools website has other topics (e.g. Time Management and Decision Making) you might find useful.



#### **TAFE QLD Brisbane**

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**Doing Years 11 and 12 differently** – The Alexandra Hills campus offers a Year 11 and 12 program. Students can take an OP or a Vocational pathway as well as meeting the eligibility criteria for the Queensland Certificate of Education. Visit the <u>Senior College website</u> for information about the subjects available. You can download the 'Do Year 11 & 12 Differently' course guide from the website or fill in the 'Make an Enquiry' form to gain more information.

#### **TAFE Qld Gold Coast**

**Gold Coast Careers Festival** will be held this year on Wednesday 15 May and Thursday 16 May 2019. Visit TAFE Queensland at the Gold Coast Event Centre, Bundall. For more information check out the <u>Gold Coast Careers Festival webpage</u>.

**Trade Training Centre** - TAFE Queensland will open its doors for you to explore all of their course options from all industry areas. Experience our Trade Training Centre at Ashmore and try a host of interactive actives.

#### **TAFE Qld Study Abroad opportunities**

Would you like to combine completing your TAFE studies with a once in a lifetime opportunity to travel overseas? Great news! TAFE Queensland is offering Study Abroad opportunities to current TAFE Queensland students in eligible programs. Studying Abroad will provide you with the chance to:

- Travel to locations across the globe
- Network with industry professionals
- Gain international work experience

Register now to learn about how you can participate in the TAFE Queensland's study abroad program. For additional information regarding Study Abroad including upcoming tours and scholarship options visit their webpage.



#### **ACU: Pathway programs**

If your OP doesn't get you into the degree course you want at ACU, you have several <u>Pathway Programs</u> options available. You could explore:

- Sub-degree qualifications are recognised as pathways into a related bachelor degree, including: associate degrees, advanced diplomas, diplomas and certificates
- Upgrade by completing a year of a less competitive degree at ACU. For example, if you want entry
  to B Paramedicine, passing a year of a less competitive course like ACU's Bachelor of Nursing or
  Bachelor Exercise and Sport Science should give you the score you need to gain entry to
  paramedicine the following year
- Consider one of ACU's Pathway programs. ACU offers Diplomas, Certificates and VET (Vocational Education and Training) courses that may help you gain entry to your preferred course. It is helpful to select a pathway program related to your preferred degree. It is also important to check with ACU as to whether the pathway course you choose will provide direct entry to your preferred ACU degree and/or provide you with academic credit

Read more about ACU's Pathway Programs on their website.

#### **ACU: Undergraduate course guide**

It is never too early to research university and course options for after school. The ACU 2020 Undergraduate Course Guide is now available online. Start now to find out what courses will be on offer next year. Quality research results in better career decisions. <u>Click here</u> to download a copy of the ACU 2020 Undergraduate guide.

#### ACU: A day in the life of an education student

Interested in making a positive impact in the lives of children? Perhaps studying education is the right career for you. Follow a day in the life of ACU education student <u>Jessica</u> to see what you can expect.

#### **ACU: Virtual tours**

<u>Explore our campuses</u> on your computer or device with our 360-degree virtual tours. Walk through the campuses, check out our facilities and get a feel for campus life.

#### **Bond: Bond University Twilight Open Day**

Bond will be opening their doors for their annual Twilight Open Day on Saturday 27 July 2019. Experience all-access to their campus. Pre-register now and they'll provide tips and tricks for making the most out of your day, behind-the-scenes content and speedy check-in when you get here. Check out the <a href="Open Day website">Open Day website</a> and register to get an all-day pass.

#### **Bond: Experience Days in May 2019**

These events provide you with a chance to gain a deeper understanding of courses you are interested in. You also have an opportunity to check out the campus and experience a day as a university student. The following experience days, for students in Years 10 - 12, will be held in May 2019:

- Bond Business School Year 12 Extension Program Early May (see website for multiple dates)
- Business, Hotel and Tourism Management Tuesday 21 May
- Actuarial Science and Commerce 22 May

For more information and to register to attend, visit the Experience Day website.

#### CQUni: Schools Business Challenge - Round 1:

The CQUni SBC is an annual competition in which participating secondary schools enter a team of four Year 12 students. Participating teams are challenged to correctly answer a number of multiple choice questions on diverse business-related subjects. The total prize pool is worth more than \$50,000 including \$7,500 in cash prizes available to winning schools and \$46,000 in scholarships to be shared among winning students. The SBC will be conducted over two rounds. Round 1 will see schools compete within their own region at their local CQUni campus - Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, Emerald, Mackay, Rockhampton and Townsville. Visit the webpage for more information.

#### CQUni: Gladstone Careers Expo

If you are looking for post-school options, visit the CQUni booth at the <u>Gladstone Careers Expo</u> on 8 May 2019. The event will provide an opportunity to speak with CQUni academics and teachers, while exploring your career and pathway opportunities.

#### **CQUni: STEPS Information Session**

Need a little help to meet the entry requirements of your chosen university course? Or perhaps you just want some additional support to gain the knowledge, skills and confidence to successfully enter and undertake further study. CQUni's <a href="Skills For Tertiary Education Preparatory Studies">Skills For Tertiary Education Preparatory Studies</a> (STEPS) is a FREE, Centrelink approved enabling course that is designed to help you acquire the necessary skills, knowledge and confidence to gain entry into university.

#### **CQUni: University Experience Mackay and Townsville**

Throughout May CQU will hold free University Experience days. These on-campus events allow Year 12 students to explore their post-high school options. They will have an opportunity to experience a day in the life of a university student. For more information see your Career/Guidance Counsellor.

#### **GU: Gold Coast and Logan Campus Priority Access Pathway**

If you're a local, you may be eligible for Priority Access. This scheme awards a bonus of one OP band or two adjustment factors when you apply for programs at the Gold Coast and Logan campuses. Priority access regions and course exceptions are listed on the <u>website</u> (scroll down to find the information).

#### GU: Griffith OP 1 – 6 (Rank 89+) Guarantee Scheme

Through this scheme, applicants can gain a guaranteed place in most Griffith degrees, whatever the published minimum Selection Rank. Excluded courses are listed on the <u>website</u> (scroll down). Prerequisites and additional entry requirements still apply. This scheme is automatically applied when you apply through QTAC for Griffith courses.

#### **GU: GriffithBUSINESS Ambassadors Program**

The <u>GriffithBUSINESS Ambassadors Program</u> offers students their first real look at university life, whilst providing them with a greater understanding of social innovation and social enterprise through working with academic staff from Griffith University. These full day workshops at Nathan, Loganlea and Gold Coast are free to attend. Students will receive a Certificate of Participation and will officially become a Griffith Business School Ambassador. To find out when the workshops are and/or more information visit their <u>website</u> and talk to your Business teacher. Click to <u>Register</u>.

#### **GU: Year 12 Subject Adjustment Pathway**

Through this scheme Year 12 applicants can gain bonus adjustment factors for successfully completing specific senior subjects. Courses in medicine, dental science and dental technology are excluded from this scheme. You can receive a maximum of six adjustment admissions factors under this scheme. Visit the website for details about the Year 12 Subject Adjustment Scheme.

#### **GU: Future-Proof your career – The Griffith STEM Showcases**

Cairns, Toowoomba, McKay, Rockhampton and Northern Rivers. The Showcases are for students, parents and teachers interested in learning more about the exciting career and study opportunities in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Hear from Griffith STEM researchers and lecturers about

the range of STEM degrees and experiences offered at their Brisbane and Gold Coast campuses. Receive advice on how to best position yourself in the future job market. Visit their <u>website</u> for more information about dates and to register to attend.

#### **GU: Pathways to Medicine for School Leavers information evenings**

The <u>GriffithBUSINESS Ambassadors Program</u> offers students their first real look at university life, whilst providing them with a greater understanding of social innovation and social enterprise through working with academic staff from Griffith University. These full day workshops at Nathan, Loganlea and Gold Coast are free to attend. Students will receive a Certificate of Participation and will officially become a Griffith Business School Ambassador. To find out when the workshops are and/or more information visit their <u>website</u> and talk to your Business teacher. Click to <u>Register</u>.

#### **GU: Schoolgirls' Breakfast Career Experience Day**

Griffith Buisness School's Department of Tourism, Sport and Hotel Management and the School of Engineering offers students an insight into a variety of industries from sport management to exercise science at the schoolgirls' breakfast each year. This free half day event is open to Year 9-12 school girls and includes breakfast, a panel presentation, and three workshops. Register via email <a href="mailto:projectofficehsl@griffith.edu.au">projectofficehsl@griffith.edu.au</a> and <a href="mailto:visit">visit</a> their website for more information.

#### **GU: Science and Engineering Challenges**

The Science and Engineering Challenge was developed by the <u>University of Newcastle</u> to inspire young people through fun and practical hands-on activities, about current and future opportunities available in STEM. Griffith Science Education Alliance in partnership with Rotary hosts four Science and Engineering Challenges in South-East Queensland. Two events in South Brisbane at Canterbury College on the 27th and 28th of May and two events at Queensland Academies - Health Sciences campus on the 30th and 31st of May, 2019. The Challenge is open to all schools with only 8 school places each day. You can register teams up to 32 students from Year 9 and 10. <u>Click here</u> to find out more.

#### Medicine at the University of Sydney and Medicine in Samoa

See Interstate and International section for more details

#### **QUT: Information evening for parents and students**

Parents/guardians of senior high school students and students are encouraged to attend the <a href="Parent">Parent</a> <a href="Information Seminar">Information Seminar</a> on 8 May 2019 and find out about making course and career decisions, entry to university and study costs and take part in an optional twilight campus tour from 5.15 - 5.45pm. Seminar will commence at 6pm till 7.30pm on the Gardens Point Campus

linformation on the following will be provided:

- making course and career decisions
- getting in to university
- life as a university student
- transition to university and support for students
- study costs and financial support
- resources for parents and students.

Click here to register now.

#### **QUT: Short courses for parents and students**

QUT offers many short courses including:

- <u>Beginning Acting</u> This course is for beginners and drama students. It focuses on craft, imagination development, improvisation and the voice.
- <u>Stepping off a cliff: Starting your first novel</u> This is an introductory course for first-time novelists to learn the elements of writing, including plot, structure and character development.
- <u>Fashion illustration for beginners</u> (1 & 8 June 2019). This is the course for you if you want to develop a fashion portfolio.

These are just a few of the courses on offer. Visit the <u>Short courses and professional development website</u> to see the full list.

#### **QUT: The Engineering Link Project**

The two-day Engineering Link Project (4 – 5 July 2019 July) gives Year 10, 11 and 12 students the chance to get hands on with university-level projects, working with practicing engineers and experiencing activities that will open their eyes to possible career paths. Register now.

#### **QUT: Bachelor of Health Information Management**

Health information managers (HIM) collect, maintain and analyse data that can improve patient care and help the health system run efficiently.

QUT offers the only <u>health information management course</u> in Queensland. The course has been designed in response to national health reforms and the introduction of eHealth systems and associated infrastructure. Study focuses on business management, analysing and managing budgets, and eHealth systems. Health units will develop knowledge in medical terminology, the Australian healthcare system and clinical classifications.

Health information managers are well suited to leadership roles because they understand clinical practices, finance functions, information technology applications and staff management. The combination of knowledge across business, information technology and health will prepare you for many roles.

#### **QUT: International students**

The <u>International Students website</u> provides international students with information about applying for courses at QUT. On their webpage you are able to access information on:

- Finding a course
- Applying
- Accommodation
- QUT and Brisbane
- Study abroad and exchange
- Find a QUT representative in your Country
- Get support at QUT
- Connect with Us
- Scholarships
- Live in Brisbane
- English and pathway programs

Once you've visited the website and explored the vast range of information, see your Career/Guidance officer contact QUT directly if you have any questions.

#### QUT: Mathematics is one of the oldest pure sciences

Mathematics is the technical language of science, engineering and business. With qualifications in mathematics, employers recognise that you are equipped with the specialist analytical skills for today's complex world.

The <u>Bachelor of Mathematics</u> (<u>Applied and Computational Mathematics</u>) combines studies in mathematics with involvement in real-world applications and computational simulations. Computer simulation and visualisation techniques can be used in many research projects including bone fracture and wound healing and modelling saltwater intrusion in coastal systems.

QUT's Mathematical Sciences School is a leader in delivering world-class teaching and research outcomes, offering advanced, relevant and modern courses designed for the real world and is underpinned by award-winning research.

#### **QUT: Register for Open Day**

QUT's Open Day will be held on 28 July 2019 at the Gardens Point campus. Open Day is your best chance to chat with staff and students from all faculties and study areas. You can attend course information seminars and check out the campus facilities. Register for this event on the <a href="Open Day webpage">Open Day webpage</a> to receive information and updates.

#### **QUT: STEM Camp**

QUT's <u>science</u>, <u>technology</u>, <u>engineering and mathematics</u> (<u>STEM</u>) <u>camp</u> provides high-achieving Year 11 students with an exciting opportunity to attend an interactive 5-day camp and engage in solving some of the major challenges facing our society and planet today. The camp will be from Monday 30 September - Friday 4 October 2019 (school holidays) from 8.30am-7pm each day. The camp <u>is free and accommodation and transport</u> options for rural and regional students will be provided.

All STEM camp students are inducted into the QUT STEM Scholars program. QUT STEM Scholars program offers:

- access to the STEM Scholars virtual Facebook hub
- QUT STEM Ambassadors career advice
- invitations to exclusive STEM Education events and activities
- research assistance for extended essay projects
- opportunities to assist QUT with user-testing of programs and workshops.

STEM camp applications are now open and close at midnight on Monday, 20 May 2019. <u>Click here</u> for application form.

#### **QUT: The Living Reef**

<u>The Living Reef</u> is The Cube studio's new project in development at P-Block, QUT Gardens Point Campus with new environments, interactive learning experiences, and information from the latest in reef science.

<u>The Digital Designer Workshop</u> will be held on Saturday 25 May and is a hands-on workshop where students will be stepped through the process designers use to create digital experiences. and design a digital activity that could be included in *The Living Reef* project. Students will receive feedback on their designs by BOP Industries, QUT staff, and ambassadors. No design or digital technology experience is required. There is a \$25 fee and bookings are essential.

#### Start university while still at school

The following universities offer programs that enable high achieving Years 11 and/or 12 students to study a university subject. Subjects may be free and may provide credit towards a university degree and/or guarantee entry to a degree at the end of Year 12. Successful completion of a university subject will contribute credit towards your Queensland Certificate of Education and may give you adjustments towards your QTAC application. Entry to these programs must have the support of your school and your parents.

Bond University has a Student for a Semester program for in Years 11 and 12 who live on the Gold
Coast, Brisbane and Northern New South Wales. Applications for the May 2019 semester are closed
and the September 2019 semester will open on 12 July and close 16 August. You can download a
copy of the May 2019 Student for a Semester Timetable The September timetable will be available
online from 12 July.

- CQUniversity has a Start Uni Now (SUN) program for students in Years 10, 11 and 12. Applications
  for term two, 2019 (15 July 2019 to 11 October 2019) will close on 21 June 2019. See the <u>SUN</u>
  website for more information.
- Christian Heritage College has LAUNCH which offers the opportunity to excel academically and
  experience life as a CHC student. When you successfully complete a CHC unit in the LAUNCH
  program, you automatically meet the academic entry requirement into the related undergraduate
  course when you complete Year 12 (other entry requirements may also apply). You will also receive
  credit towards your degree and subjects may count towards your QCE. LAUNCH students do not pay
  tuition fees. Visit the LAUNCH website for more information.
- The **Griffith University** Early Start to Tertiary Study (GUESTS) program is offered to students in Year 11 and 12. Applications for Trimester Two (8 July to 4 October) close on 15 June 2019. See the GUEST website for more information.
- The **Queensland University of Technology's** (QUT) Start QUT Program is offered to students in Year 11 and 12. Applications for Semester two 2019 (the semester commences in July) close on 16 May 2019. See the <u>Start QUT website</u> for more information.
- The **University of Queensland** offers an Enhanced Studies Program (ESP) for Year 12 students during semester 1 only. Applications for 2020 open 31 August 2019 and close 31 October 2019. See the website in July for more 2020 information.
- The University of Southern Queensland (USQ) has a Head Start Program for students in Years 10 12. This program is offered on-campus at USQ's Toowoomba, Springfield and Ipswich Campuses, or
  via distance education. Applications for Semester Two (15 July 28 October 2019) close on 1 July
  2019. See the Head Start website for more information.

Universities often hold information sessions to inform students and their parents about these programs. Find out about these sessions on the websites listed above.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

16/05/2019	QUT START Program – Applications Close
15/06/2019	GU GUEST Program
21/06/2019	CQUni SUN Program – Applications Close
01/07/2019	USQ – HEADSTART Program Applications Close
12/07/2019	Bond Univeristy – Student for a Semester Applications Close Online
31/10/2019	UQ – 2020 ESP Applications close

#### **UCAT reminder for Medicine and other health science courses**

Students applying for medicine and other health science courses may be required to sit for the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) as part of the application process. You need to <u>register and book</u> a test date and bookings close at 11.59 pm on 17 May 2019. Results will be available at the end of your test. <u>Click here</u> to find out more information and the universities and courses that have UCAT as a prerequisite for entry.

#### **UQ: Gatton Campus Tours**

Gatton provides tours for school groups and individual students and occur throughout the year and are tailored to suit an area of interest in Agribusiness, Equine Science, Horticulture and Agronomy, Production Animals, Veterinary Science and Wildlife Science.

#### UQ: King's College 2020 going Co-residency

King's College is a residential college providing accommodation for 317 women and men within The University of Queensland and Brisbane based universities. The College operates as an academic residential community of undergraduate and postgraduate members drawn from across the country and international universities. King's College will be open to women residents as it moves into co-residency form 2020. It will provide a vibrant, inspiring community along with academic, sporting and cultural programs, to all potential students.

Living at college will provide you with the opportunity to:

- Get the real student experience of living and studying on campus
- Access extensive tutorial program and academic support
- Make friends for life in a supportive and sage collegiate environment
- Take part in comprehensive sporting and cultural programs
- Never go hungry with self-serve catering!

2020 applications are now open. To find out more or book a tour visit their website.

#### **UQ: Student Careers and Employability Centre**

This Centre, located at the St Lucia campus, offers activities and experiences for current UQ students to strengthen the range of global, professional and leadership experiences offered to students. If you are thinking about UQ in the future, you can learn more about the programs offered at the Centre by visiting their website.

#### **UQ: International students wanting to study Medicine or Dentistry**

If you are needing to gain the prerequisite of English and may not achieve a pass in Authority English at the end of 2019 you could sit and gain an appropriate grade in one of the following tests:

<u>IELTS</u> – International English Language Testing System

**TOEFL** – Test of English as a Foreign Language

Pearson Test of English

For more information speak with your Guidance officer or Careers counsellor or phone <u>UQ International</u>.

#### **USC: Visit USC campus**

Visiting USC is a great way for you to experience the campus first hand and meet students and staff. You can attend annual events such as Experience USC or you could book in a campus tour at a time that suits you. Find out more by visiting their <u>website</u>.

#### **USC: Campus Locations**

USC has campuses in Caboolture, Fraser Coast, Gympie, Noosa, Online, Sippy Downs and Southbank. To find out more about the different campuses visit their <u>website</u>.

#### **USC: South Bank**

The USQ Southbank campus offers full degree in the Business faculty. You can also study postgraduate programs in business, IT, and health promotion. USC South Bank is located within the TAFE Queensland Brisbane, South Bank campus. The following undergraduate courses offered at this campus are taught by USC lecturers and tutors:

- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Business (Human Resource Management)
- Bachelor of Business (International Business)
- Bachelor of Business (Tourism, Leisure and Event Management)
- Bachelor of Business (Management)
- Bachelor of Business (Marketing)
- Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting)

Read about the USC Southbank campus and its courses on the website.

#### **USQ: Deadly Ways**

See the Indigenous section of this bulletin for more information about the 2019 Deadly Ways programs.

#### **USQ: Year 11 and 12 Experience Day**

Student Experience Days at the Springfield and Toowoomba campuses are an engaging and immersive way for Year 11-12 students to explore their fields of interest. Students choose a study stream for the day, consisting of interactive sessions led by USQ's team of academics. Students will also learn about pathways and scholarships, as well as take tours of the campuses and residential colleges (Toowoomba). Current students are involved throughout the day, offering high school students the opportunity to learn about their journey to university. Visit their website for more information.