

## Guidance News Senior School

### Year 12 University Information – Term 2

Please be aware we have one coffee morning left with QUT on Friday 21 June. In addition, on the same day during lunch we will have Griffith Uni here to speak to the Year 12s. These sessions will be a great opportunity for students to discuss University courses and scholarships.

21 June – QUT – P Block (8:15am – 9:00am)

21 June – Griffith University Year 12 Presentation (School Theatre 11:30am – 12:15pm)



### Scholarship Applications are now open!

Bond University's Scholarship Program encompasses a range of full-fee and part-fee tuition remission scholarships available to future leaders and provides them with access to an exceptional educational experience. These scholarships are awarded to the best and brightest all rounded students who have excelled academically, or in the areas of leadership, community and sport, including but not limited to:

- Vice-Chancellor's Elite Scholarship – 100% tuition remission
- Bond University Indigenous Scholarship – up to 100% tuition remission
- Sporting Scholarships – up to 100% tuition remission
- Excellence Scholarship – 50% tuition remission
- Transformer Scholarship – 50% tuition remission
- Leadership Scholarship – 25% tuition remission (NEW)

Download the [2020 Domestic Scholarship Brochure](#) for more information including the application process and important closing dates.

Announcement of NEW Leadership Scholarship



Bond University is excited to introduce a new scholarship available to students commencing in January 2020. Leadership Scholarships aim to award students who hold outstanding community and leadership achievements. The scholarship will award 25% tuition remission for either a single or combined degree (excluding Bond's Medical Program). [Learn more here.](#)

How can you assist with your student's application?

A school reference will be required to support your student's scholarship application.

Reference forms will be emailed directly to you in Term 3 and will be kept in confidence and not shared with the student. We appreciate your support and want to thank you in advance for completing references by the deadline date that will be provided to you in the reference email.

For more information please visit [bond.edu.au/scholarships](http://bond.edu.au/scholarships).

## Indigenous support

### Support for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander students

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pathways run across Australia and were once the main form of travel and exchange. Pathways are not only areas of physical movement, but also places where knowledge and meaning flow.

On this page, you'll find information that will help young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, in consultation with their families and communities, consider a range of options for making deadly pathways after school.

If you have an initiative, such as an educational or career pathway or support service that you would like considered for inclusion in this page of our website, please email [deadlypathways@qcaa.qld.edu.au](mailto:deadlypathways@qcaa.qld.edu.au).

## Financial support

### Government support

Did you know that the Australian government provides financial support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students undertaking further education and training?

- [ABSTUDY](#) provides financial help to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians who are studying or undertaking an Australian apprenticeship.

## Scholarships

Did you know that there are scholarships available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people that can help pay for further education and training and/or living expenses while studying?

- The [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pharmacy Scholarship Scheme](#) offers three scholarships each year for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students wishing to study pharmacy.
- The [Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme](#) offers financial assistance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying towards an entry-level qualification in an eligible health-related discipline at an Australian university or TAFE (certificate IV and above).
- Each of Queensland's universities offers awards and scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.



## University & TAFE support

There are support services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at [TAFE and at each of Queensland's universities](#).

- [Australian Catholic University](#) — the [Indigenous Higher Education Units](#) provide social, cultural, personal and academic support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.
- [CQUniversity](#) — The Office of Indigenous Engagement encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to take up every opportunity for success. This includes applying for and asking for assistance where needed. Tutoring can also be arranged for students in an undergraduate program.
- [Griffith University](#) — The [GUMURRII Unit](#) can help students choose a course of study, enrol, and apply for grants and scholarships. The university's Hands Up! Tertiary Preparation program assists first year students to adapt to university life and improve their academic skills in a relaxed and supportive environment.
- [James Cook University](#) — The [Indigenous Student Support Services](#) unit provides financial and study support services for students.
- [Queensland University of Technology](#) — [Oodgeroo Unit](#) staff members provide one-on-one support for students who gain entry to the university through the Oodgeroo Alternative Entry Program.
- [The University of Queensland](#) — The [Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit](#) provides personal and academic support services.
- [University of Southern Queensland](#) — The [College for Indigenous Studies, Education and Research \(CISER\)](#) supports students before and during their studies at the university.
- [University of the Sunshine Coast](#) — The [Indigenous Services](#) team provides a range of support services, including an orientation program, tutorial assistance scheme and Indigenous Alternative Entry Program.

## Employment support

Did you know that there are employment programs and support services available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait young people?

### Apprenticeships, traineeships and cadetships

- The [Aboriginal Employment Strategy](#) offers mentoring support and apprenticeship and traineeship services to students.

### Banking

- Some banks such as the [ANZ](#), [Commonwealth Bank](#) and [NAB](#) offer traineeship programs for Indigenous students.

### Health

- The [Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association website](#) contains information and answers frequently asked questions about becoming a doctor.
- [Nurse Info](#) outlines career opportunities within nursing, domestically and internationally, in urban and regional settings.



## Public sector

- The [Australian Public Service Commission](#) is responsible for the Commonwealth Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy, which aims to build Indigenous employment within the Commonwealth public sector.

## Starting your own business

- [Indigenous Business Australia](#) provides information, loans and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people starting their own business.

## Jobs and careers websites

- [GenerationOne](#) has information on mentoring, business, employment, community and education opportunities and programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- The [Koori Mail](#) posts job vacancies and graduate employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The [National Indigenous Times](#) posts job ads for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from the print editions of the National Indigenous Times

## Scholarships

University/Institution	Dates
Bond University	<a href="https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/how-apply/scholarships">https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/how-apply/scholarships</a>
Griffith University	<a href="https://www.griffith.edu.au/scholarships">https://www.griffith.edu.au/scholarships</a>
Southern Cross University	<a href="https://www.scu.edu.au/scholarships/undergraduate-scholarships/">https://www.scu.edu.au/scholarships/undergraduate-scholarships/</a>
Gold Coast TAFE	<a href="https://scholarships.tafeqld.edu.au/">https://scholarships.tafeqld.edu.au/</a>
Study Queensland	<a href="https://www.studyqueensland.qld.gov.au/Study/Scholarships">https://www.studyqueensland.qld.gov.au/Study/Scholarships</a>
Good University Guide Scholarships	<a href="https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/scholarships">https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/scholarships</a>
Queensland University of Technology Gardens Point Campus	<a href="https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships">https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships</a>
University of Queensland	<a href="https://scholarships.uq.edu.au/">https://scholarships.uq.edu.au/</a>
SAE Creative Media Institute Brisbane	<a href="https://sae.edu.au/admissions/scholarships/">https://sae.edu.au/admissions/scholarships/</a>



## Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships

### – Message from Karen Andrews MP

Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships program are now open and would encourage you to promote this scholarship program to your students.

Eligible students could benefit from up to \$18,000 towards the cost of studying an eligible university or vocational education course.

The second round saw scholarships offered to students on the Gold Coast undertaking undergraduate, postgraduate and Vocational Education and Training (VET) science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) courses.

Round three has been expanded to include all areas of study, and I hope there will be a record number of applications from across the Gold Coast.

The scholarships cover courses ranging from certificate IV through to PhD level, with support for those seeking flexible study arrangements, as well as providing \$500 for students undertaking an internship to ensure they are job-ready.

I encourage all prospective students living on the Gold Coast who need financial support to gain a tertiary qualification or undertake further study to apply.

Applications for the third round close on 14 June 2019.

For more information or to apply, visit <https://www.education.gov.au/rural-and-regional-enterprise-scholarships>

## University Co-op Scholarships Guide

These scholarships offer much more than just money. You'll get access to exclusive mentoring, work experience, leadership programs, and other benefits to make your transition to uni easier, like a relocation allowance, gym membership, and accommodation support. And while some of these programs are highly competitive, you'd be surprised at how achievable scoring one of the scholarships could be, so if you've worked hard at school check out what's available.

We've checked with every single university across Australia to bring you the details you need:

- How to apply
- Eligibility Criteria
- How much you could get
- Application deadlines

Please go to:

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/e471f7cf4840e0648d2559ba0/files/d9b4cac2-fb66-4920-a0de-f3b3ca5acbef/University\\_Co\\_op\\_Scholarships.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/e471f7cf4840e0648d2559ba0/files/d9b4cac2-fb66-4920-a0de-f3b3ca5acbef/University_Co_op_Scholarships.pdf)

## Open Days/Events

University/Event	Dates
Bond University Open Day	Saturday 27 July 2019 <a href="https://bond.edu.au/open-day">https://bond.edu.au/open-day</a>



<b>Bond University Headstart Day</b> Yr10 and yr11 students experience uni life for a day	TBA by Bond Uni – held on student free day for QLD Education. <a href="https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/see-yourself/headstart-day">https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/see-yourself/headstart-day</a>
<b>Griffith University Open Day</b> Gold Coast, South Bank, Nathan	Sunday 11 August 9am – 2pm <a href="https://www.griffith.edu.au/open-day">https://www.griffith.edu.au/open-day</a>
<b>Southern Cross University</b>	Sunday 18 August 2019 <a href="https://www.scu.edu.au/study-at-scu/info-days/">https://www.scu.edu.au/study-at-scu/info-days/</a>
<b>Gold Coast TAFE</b>	<a href="#">June 19 2018 (Tuesday)</a> TAFE Queensland Southport Information Session Southport Campus 4pm-7pm <a href="#">August 10th 2018 (Friday)</a> TAFE Queensland Ashmore Trades Open Day Ashmore 4pm-7pm
<b>Gold Coast Careers Expo</b> Gold Coast Event Centre, Bundall	Wednesday 15 May 9am – 6pm Thursday 16 May 9am – 3pm <a href="https://www.studygoldcoast.org.au/careers/careers-festival/">https://www.studygoldcoast.org.au/careers/careers-festival/</a>
<b>Tertiary Studies Expo (TSXPO)</b> Brisbane, Royal ICC Showgrounds	Saturday 20 and 21 July, 10am – 4pm <a href="http://www.careersevent.com/tsxpo/">http://www.careersevent.com/tsxpo/</a>
<b>Queensland University of Technology</b> Gardens Point Campus	Sunday 28 July, 9am – 3pm <a href="https://www.qut.edu.au/study/events/qut-open-day">https://www.qut.edu.au/study/events/qut-open-day</a>
<b>University of Queensland</b>	Sunday 4 August, 9am – 3pm <a href="https://future-students.uq.edu.au/open-day">https://future-students.uq.edu.au/open-day</a>

## 2020 Senior Pathways Information

Please be aware of important resources for all senior pathway students, parents and guardians.

### Career planning resources

#### Career Exploration

- **Myfuture** - <https://myfuture.edu.au/> is a comprehensive career and education website that help students explore career options based on their skills and interests.
- **Job Outlook** – <https://joboutlook.gov.au/> is an Australian Government website providing information about Australian careers, labour market trends and employment projections, covering around 350 individual occupations. It includes an interactive Career Quiz that helps to identify work styles and suggests careers options.
- **Open Colleges** <https://www.opencolleges.edu.au/careers> contains career information, links and resources about career pathways and relevant online learning courses.
- **myPROFILER** <https://myprofiler.tafegld.edu.au/> is a career profiling tool developed by TAFE Queensland that uses visual responses to stimulus to suggest career choices that match talents, skills and interests.
- **My Path** - <https://www.qtac.edu.au/atar-my-path/my-path>



### Tertiary Information

- [Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre](#) — processes applications for the majority of undergraduate courses at Queensland universities
  - [My University](#) — information about Australian universities and other higher education providers
  - [Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency](#) — Australia's independent national regulator of the higher education sector
  - Applying to university in Australia
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- The Good Universities Guide <https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/> is a course comparison website that helps students find courses, explore careers and search for scholarships at Australian universities, TAFEs and training colleges.
  - [QILT - Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching](#) website helps you compare study experience & employment data from Australian higher education institutions.
  - [Study Assist](#) — information for students about Australian Government assistance for financing tertiary study
  - [Open Colleges Australia](#) contains information, links and resources to help you find the career pathway that's right for you.
  - VET pathways into Griffith University <https://www.griffith.edu.au/apply/admission-pathways/vet>

### Vocational Education and Training

- Apprenticeships and traineeships <https://www.qld.gov.au/education/apprenticeships>
- Apprenticeships Info <https://training.qld.gov.au/apprenticeshipsinfo> is a one-stop shop for information about apprenticeships and traineeships in Queensland.
- Australian Apprenticeships <https://www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au/> provides information about Australian apprenticeships for employers, job seekers, school leavers and career advisers.
- Australian Apprenticeships Pathways <https://www.aapathways.com.au/> helps students find available apprenticeships and provides links to job pathways charts and job descriptions.
- The Group Training Australia website <http://www.grouptraining.com.au/home.html> is a directory of organisations offering traineeships and apprenticeships across the country.
- MySkills <https://www.myskills.gov.au/> provides information about vocational education and training and connects students with nationally accredited training providers.
- Queensland Skills Gateway <http://www.skillsgateway.training.qld.gov.au/> contains everything students need to know about vocational education and training in Queensland, including courses, training providers, government funding and career pathways.

### Workforce

- JobActive <https://jobsearch.gov.au/> includes job advertisements, information about training providers and tips on résumé writing and writing job applications.
- JobAccess <https://www.jobaccess.gov.au/home> contains information about disability employment services, including job advertisements, financial support for workplace modifications and support for finding or changing jobs
- [CareerOne](#) provides job listings, career advice, job hunting tips and company profiles designed to help you with your job search.
- [Australian JobSearch](#) helps you find jobs and career information.



- [Seek](#) contains an extensive listing of job vacancies, career development resources, training information and tips on how to look for and apply for jobs.

#### Other resources

- Student Connect
- [Study Queensland](#) — information for international students on Queensland study opportunities, universities, programs, courses, visa procedures, costs, lifestyle and Australian education contacts worldwide
- [Queensland Ombudsman](#) — independently reviews the administrative actions of state government agencies
- [Australian Qualifications Framework](#) — national framework for all regulated qualifications in Australian education and training

#### Parent information

- <https://www.gcaa.qld.edu.au/parents-carers/senior/pathway-planning>
- <https://www.griffith.edu.au/apply/admission-pathways/vet>

### QUT | Code a Solar System Workshop

Monday 8 & Thursday 11 July | 9:30am – 12:00pm | \$25 | The Cube, QUT Gardens Point

This workshop provides students with an introduction to coding and investigates the relationships between planet mass, orbit, orbital speed, and distance from the sun. They will learn the basic principles of programming using Sphero's drag and drop interface, to design and model a robotic solar system that reflects Kepler's three laws of satellite motion.

Find out more and register: <http://www.thecube.qut.edu.au/whats-on/2019/winter-solarsystem.php>

### QUT | Mechatronics: Bionic Arms Workshop

Thursday 11 July | 12:30pm – 3:00pm | \$25 | The Cube, QUT Gardens Point

In this STEM workshop, students will use the engineering principles of mechatronics to construct a robot arm from a range of components and motors. Based upon their selected components, students mathematically determine the physical limits of a prosthetic arm. Using this information they test their hypothesis by remote controlling the arm to perform a variety of tasks, testing the capability of their robotic claw.

Find out more and register: <http://www.thecube.qut.edu.au/whats-on/2019/winter-bionicarms.php>

### QUT | Understanding Space-Time and Relativity

Wednesday 10 July | 10:00am – 3:00pm | \$35 | The Cube, QUT Gardens Point

This workshop will introduce students to the concepts of gravity, special and general relativity and time travel, and how they can be applied to better understand the universe.

Find out more and register: <http://www.thecube.qut.edu.au/whats-on/2019/winter-spacetime.php>





## **QUT | Green Energy: Big Data Workshop**

Monday 8 July | 12:30pm – 3:00pm | \$25 | The Cube, QUT Gardens Point

In this STEM workshop, students will see how maths and engineering can work together to achieve a greener built environment. Students will take a tour of QUT's '5-Star Green Star' Science and Engineering Centre to see how this smart building continually monitors and adjusts its internal and external environment to make this one of Brisbane's most environmentally friendly buildings.

Find out more and register: <http://www.thecube.qut.edu.au/whats-on/2019/winter-green.php>

## **QUT | Driving Into the Future: LEGO Robotics Workshop**

Tuesday 9 & Friday 12 July | 9:30am – 2:00pm | \$35 | The Cube, QUT Gardens Point

This interactive hands-on workshop will step students through a range of programming challenges using LEGO® MINDSTORMS® EV3 software. They will test drive a robot and learn how to operate its environmental sensors.

Find out more and register: <http://www.thecube.qut.edu.au/whats-on/2019/winter-driving.php>

## **Aviation Expo 2019 – Brisbane**

Saturday 17 August | 10:00am – 4:00pm | Aviation Australia, Brisbane

The largest event of its kind in Queensland, the Aviation Expo in Brisbane showcases the thriving aerospace industry, with a significant focus on aviation skills development, careers and employment opportunities.

The Aircraft Experience Zone will once again be a major attraction, featuring a range of iconic aircraft that visitors will have the unique opportunity to see up close and perhaps even go on board.

The Aviation Expo also features dozens of exhibitors from the aviation, defence and education industries who will inspire and educate visitors about the range of interesting roles available in aviation.

There are many activities for visitors to experience, including cabin crew evacuations, avionics workshop demonstrations, insight into an operational hangar environment, roving entertainment and careers seminars.

Find out more and register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/2019-aviation-expo-tickets-54626922596>

## **Scholarships & Competitions**

### **Swinburne University | Six Word Scholarship**

**Open/Closing Dates:** – 12/06/2019

**Value:** \$1,600 – full fees for the **Learning and Communicating Online Single Unit**



The sign of a great communicator is the ability to write succinctly. In the world of social media and ever shortening attention spans, this skill is now more important than ever.

For the chance to earn a scholarship to the **Learning and Communicating Online single unit** course, you need to share your original story, using just six words in the comments of Swinburne University's Six Word Scholarship Facebook post.

Entries are open until Wednesday 12 June.

Enter [here](#).

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### **The John Marsden & Hachette Australia Prize**

The John Marsden & Hachette Australia Prize for Young Writers is a developmental award open exclusively to Australian secondary school students in categories of fiction, nonfiction and poetry.

Fifteen shortlisted writers receive feedback on their work, are invited to meet John Marsden, and participate in an exclusive creative writing workshop and special event at the Melbourne Writers Festival. Prize winners will also receive a \$500 cash prize and a book pack courtesy of Hachette Australia.

Entries are open until 11.59pm on Sunday 30 June.

Find out more and register: <https://expressmedia.org.au/programs/john-marsden-prize/>

### **Australian Life Photography Competition**

The Australian Life and Photography Competition is looking for engaging and intriguing photos that depict Australia beyond the icons.

You may capture any aspect of Australia – everyday occurrences, fleeting moments, unusual places, comical characters, celebrations or rituals, natural or artificial environments.

Entry is free, and open until Sunday 16 June.

Find out more and enter: <https://www.artandabout.com.au/australian-life-photography-competition/>

### **Crown Sydney Artist Initiative**

Crown Resorts Limited is taking an innovative approach to sourcing art for the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort, Sydney's first 6 star hotel, by creating an initiative that endeavours to showcase photography by Australia's most promising emerging creative talents.

Winners and finalists will have their work showcased within the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort, featured on the Crown Sydney Artist Initiative website, published in the Art of Crown hardbound book, which will be featured in all Crown Resorts properties, and exhibited at the 2019 Crown Sydney Artist Initiative Finalist Exhibition. Winners will also receive a cash prize.

Find out more and enter: <https://artistinitiative.crownsydney.com.au/submit>



## Victoria University Short Story Prize for New Writers

This annual competition encourages excellent and original short fiction by new writers of up to 3000 words in length. At a grand first prize of \$6000, it is a coveted annual fiction award for new writers.

Entries close Monday 10 June.

Find out more and enter: <https://overland.org.au/prizes/vu-short-story-prize-for-new-and-emerging-writers/>

## Careers & Jobs

### The Growth of Women in Mining

You might think that mining is a very male dominated industry.

However, the amount of women in TAFE NSW's Muswellbrook Mining Skills Program has risen over the years. This year 29% of the class is female.

TAFE NSW aims to attract and retain women to training and careers in mining. They believe that diversity in the workforce benefits everyone.

If you want to read more, you can view the rest of the article [here](#).

## Further Learning

### New High-Tech TAFE Training Hub

TAFE Queensland's Ashmore Trade Training Centre has just undergone a huge \$1.5 million renovation, and now houses state-of-the-art training equipment for electrical and air-conditioning refrigeration students.

The new technology will greatly enhance the learning experience for students.

If you are interested in doing a course at the new Ashmore Trade Training Centre, check out TAFE Queensland's website [here](#).

To read more about the new refurbishment, you can [read this article](#).

### Certificate IV in Celebrancy

Do you love to celebrate? Be involved in the biggest days of people's lives as a celebrant.

Rose Training Australia is currently offering a Certificate IV in Celebrancy. Upon completion of the course you are able to register as a celebrant, and perform a variety of roles, including at weddings, civil ceremonies, naming ceremonies and funerals.

The course is currently available to be studied on location at:

- Queensland – Brisbane, Townsville and the Gold Coast
- Victoria – Melbourne
- South Australia – Adelaide



- New South Wales – Sydney
- Western Australia – Perth

Or you can also choose to study from anywhere in the world online.

Find out more about the Certificate IV in Celebrancy [here](#).

## **The Science of Gardening**

Do you have a green thumb, or want to learn more about the science behind your garden? From the most experienced gardener to those who have never planted a seed before, at the University of Tasmania you can study the course Science of Gardening, as part of their Diploma of Sustainable Living.

Be more sustainable at home by learning about how to grow your own flourishing garden. Learn more about how plants grow and the ideal conditions to make your plants healthy, as well as much more.

Best of all, this course can be studied entirely online, meaning you can do it anywhere, anytime.

You can read more about the Science of Gardening course unit [here](#). Find out about the other interesting things you will learn as part of the Diploma of Sustainable Living [here](#).

## **Closing the cultural gap for Muslim nursing and midwifery students**

Western Sydney University has launched Australia's first branded hijab for nursing students along with a suite of cultural resources for teachers and students aimed at reducing drop out rates.

Upon seeing increasing drop out rates among their Muslim students, the university decided to do something to help. Their aim is to become more culturally sensitive and aware to ensure that all students have a positive experience while studying.

Read more about their progress [here](#).

## **Actors Centre Australia Foundation Program**

ACA's Foundation Program is a 20 week intensive course designed to give passionate emerging actors the skills they need to build their future careers as actors.

Entries are submitted by digital audition, and are open until Sunday 16 June.

Find out more and apply: <https://www.actorscentreaustralia.com.au/foundation-program/>

## **Volvo Group 2020 Apprenticeship Program**

Volvo Group Australia is currently recruiting their 2020 Apprenticeship Program for their Brisbane dealerships located in Pinkenba and Wacol.

Volvo Group Australia's apprenticeship Program offers practical, on-the-job experience that lead to a nationally recognised qualification. You'll be working with a world leader in transport solutions and have the opportunity to learn from some of the best Technicians in the heavy vehicle industry.

Entry requirements:

- Have completed Year 12 with a pass in Maths and English



- Have a genuine interest in the heavy vehicle automotive industry
- Motivated and willing to learn
- Reliable, trustworthy and punctual
- Team player with good communication
- Share Volvo Group's values: Customer Service, Trust, Passion, Change and Performance.

Applications close 25 June.

Find out more and apply: <https://www.volvogroup.com/en-en/careers/job-listing/95888BR.html>

### **Wilmar Sugar Mills Apprenticeship Program**

Wilmar Sugar Mills offer a variety of trades through their apprenticeship program. These include electrical, boilermaking, fitting and turning, and diesel fitting. Wilmar has mills in the Herbert, Burdekin and Mackay areas.

Their program runs for four years and combines on the job experience with training at TAFE.

Applications for their 2020 intake open in July.

Find out more here: <https://www.wilmarsugarmills.com.au/our-people/apprenticeships>

## **Resources**

### **Science Teacher Association Awards**

Each State and Territory has their own Science Teacher Association that run a science competition. Winners from these competitions are nominated into the BHP Foundation Science and Engineering Awards.

#### **Queensland – [Queensland Science Contest](#)**

The Queensland Science Contest is an opportunity for students from Prep to Year 12 to have their scientific work judged for awards and prizes.

Entries are due by Tuesday 8 October.

### **Aboriginal Summer School for Excellence in Technology and Science (ASSETS)**

ASSETS is a program that targets high-achieving Year 10 students, bringing them together for a residential summer school. The summer schools are open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Year 10 students from across Australia.

2020 summer schools will be held in Newcastle and Adelaide on the following dates:

Newcastle: 5 – 13 January 2020 (Science Focus: Water Chemistry and Renewable Energy)

Adelaide: 15 – 23 January 2020 (Science Focus: Biodiversity, Food and Nutrition)

There is no cost for students to attend the nine-day summer school with return airfares, accommodation and meals all provided.

Eligible students are those who:



- are completing Year 10 studies in 2019
- have an interest and demonstrated ability in science and mathematics
- identify with their Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander culture and heritage
- are prepared to challenge themselves academically and personally in a supportive environment.

Applications close Monday 24 June.

To find out more and apply, visit the CSIRO's website [here](#).

### **Minimum wage rise of 3% announced**

Around 2.2 million Australian workers will receive a pay rise after the Fair Work Commission increased the national minimum wage by 3 per cent, amounting to an extra \$21.60 a week.

- The minimum wage from July 1 will be \$19.49 an hour, or \$740.80 a week for full-time workers
- The Fair Work decision affects around 2.2 million workers on the minimum wage or modern awards
- Like the minimum wage, modern award pay rates will rise by 3 per cent on July 1

The commission's annual review decision takes the minimum wage to \$740.80 a week or \$19.49 an hour.

Find out more here – [www.abc.net.au/news/2019-05-30/fair-work-commission-raises-minimum-wage/11162780](http://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-05-30/fair-work-commission-raises-minimum-wage/11162780)

### **Primetime Science TV Show Casting Call**

Chicken & Chips Casting are seeking the brightest students who are excelling in Science, Maths & Engineering subjects to be a part of a Studio Show!

Requirements:

- You must be between 16-19 years old – either in your final years of school or in your first year of university
- Sydney based or willing to travel for the shoot
- Available to shoot, at night, on the 24th June 2019
- You must have a genuine interest in STEM, Astronomy and have a passion for space!

Find out more and apply: <https://www.chickenandchips.com.au/casting-call-science>

## **Job Spotlight**

### **Medical Doctor**

#### **What do they do?**

Doctors are highly qualified and skilled people who diagnose, manage, treat, cure and prevent illness and promote wellness in their patients.





There are lots of different types of Doctor, depending on your area of interest and strengths you might like to consider these options – but you won't have to decide until much later on your journey to becoming qualified.

If you're good with people, compassionate but analytical, can retain and use information in lots of different way, and enjoy variety then you could consider becoming a Doctor.

**Duties** vary depending on the type of Doctor and practice, but examples include:

- examine patients to determine the nature of the disorder or illness and record the patient's medical information
- order, perform and analyse laboratory tests, X-rays and other diagnostic images and procedures
- provide overall care for patients, and prescribe and administer treatments, medications and other remedial measures
- aid in the prevention of diseases and disorders by advising patients on diet, exercise, hygiene and general health
- prescribe and administer medication and inoculate patients to prevent infectious or contagious diseases
- provide pre-natal and post-natal care
- report births, deaths and notifiable diseases to government authorities
- arrange for patients to be admitted to hospital
- refer patients to other medical specialists and exchange relevant medical details.

**Skills required:**

- Good communication skills, compassion and a good bedside manner
- Self-confidence
- Able to exercise high ethical standards
- Enjoy working with people
- Able to cope with the physical demands of the job
- A high degree of motivation and self-discipline
- Ability to work long hours, often under pressure
- Good practical skills
- Ability to solve problems
- Effective decision-making skills
- Leadership and management skills
- Drive to continue learning throughout career
- Analytical ability
- Time management

**Pathways**

The training required to accomplish this goal will take nearly a decade AFTER high school and be extremely rigorous.

Entry into medicine is competitive and you will need to demonstrate perseverance to complete the training, a strong desire to help others, a true intellectual curiosity about medicine in particular, and a love of learning in general.



You'll have to complete:

- Highschool
- Undergraduate (3 years) & Master's degree (3 years) OR a combined direct entry program (5-7 years)
- 12 month (47 weeks full time) internship / postgraduate year 1 (PGY1) doctor completing rotations in: emergency medical care (12 weeks), medicine (10 weeks), surgery (10 weeks), & 19 weeks in a range of other approved positions in areas such as aged care, anaesthesia, general practice, palliative medicine, psychiatry, rehabilitation medicine or surgery.
- Receive general medical registration through [Medical Board of Australia \(MBA\)](#)

Then:

- Pursue a research career / work as locum / continue to work in hospitals as non-vocational doctor typically known as Career Medical Officers (CMOs).

OR

- Work 1 – 3 years as a resident and apply to a recognised medical specialty training program – Doctors during this period of prevocational on-the-job training are known as Resident Medical Officers (RMO) or "Resident", Hospital Medical Officer (HMO) in Victoria or Trainee Medical Officer (TMO) in South Australia.
- Obtain fellowship from one of the recognised specialist medical colleges, and practise medicine independently as a Registrar

OR

- Undertake additional sub-specialty training e.g. anaesthetists may undertake additional training in intensive care.
- Obtain unrestricted Medicare provider number, which enables you to practise medicine independently in your chosen field, anywhere in Australia. Choose to practise in:
  - Private medical practice
  - A combination of private medical practice with a visiting medical officer engagement at one or more public hospitals
  - Employment as a staff specialist in a public hospital or health facility

**Average salary:** \$107,442

Varies with experience, speciality, location, organisation, bonuses, overtime. (Source: payscale.com)

**Job growth** in this area is strong (source: Joboutlook.gov.au)

## University Finance Options explained

Going to University is expensive. When you add up tuition fees, accommodation, books, living expenses etc., it can seem overwhelming.



So let's talk about money.

### **Don't be put off**

If you'd really love to go to Uni, or if your dream job requires a certain qualification for entry (make sure you've checked out all the possible pathways too), there will most likely be a way to get yourself there.

And, if you have your heart set on one Uni in particular, don't let the costs of moving interstate or living away from home put you off either. Life's just too short for regrets.

Once you've decided to make the leap, you'll need to figure out your finances, find the best options for you. Trying to minimise your debt after leaving Uni while still having decent accommodation, eating more than fresh air and having a bit of fun money too.

### **Some options to consider**

There are lots of ways of getting some financial assistance to help you get through University. Here are some of the finances that might be available to help you afford Uni:

#### **Subsidies:**

[Commonwealth Supported Places](#) (CSP) – the government pays for a portion of your university fees. It's not a loan and you don't have to pay it back. You must be able to cover the "student contribution amount".

If you're an Australian Citizen you are eligible.

- You must make sure that the course you want to study is a CSP, so check with the Uni
- Apply for the course via TAC or direct entry
- Follow the instructions in your acceptance letter (it will advise you if you have secured one of the CSP's or not)
- Complete the required online form before the close date.

#### **HELP Loans:**

[FEE-HELP](#) – is a loan to help pay for tuition fees (all or part). The maximum amount or limit you could receive is \$104,440, (\$150,000 if studying medicine, dentistry or veterinary science) (2019 figures).

An additional 25% loan fee applies to some undergraduate units. For example you're using FEE-HELP to pay for a \$1,000 unit, you'll end up paying back \$1,250. The fee loans don't count towards your FEE-HELP limit though.

Australian citizens enrolled in an eligible course with a provider who offers FEE-HELP (check with the Uni) can apply for the loan.

To apply, you'll need a [tax file number \(TFN\)](#) and to fill in a *Request for FEE-HELP assistance* form (from the Uni) and return it before the census date.

[HECS-HELP](#) – a loan to help pay for the student contribution amount of tuition fees on commonwealth supported places at Uni.

To be eligible you must be enrolled in a CSP at Uni and be an Australian Citizen.

To apply for HECS-HELP, you'll need to apply for a [TFN](#) and fill in a *Request for Commonwealth support and HECS-HELP* form (from the Uni) and return it by the census date.



[SA-HELP](#) – a loan is to help pay for the SSAF (student services and amenities fee) that Uni’s charge to students. Not all Uni’s charge this fee, so it’s worth checking when you’re applying, so you know whether you’ll have to cover this cost.

The SSAF covers campus costs including child care, food services, financial advice, sporting and recreational activities or employment and career advice.

To be eligible you must be an Australian citizen enrolled on a course with a provider who offers HELP loans (check with the Uni).

To apply you’ll need to apply for a [TFN](#) and fill in a *Request for SA-HELP assistance* form (from the Uni), and submit it by the census date.

**Note:** although these loans are interest free, HELP loans are indexed. This means that on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June every year an additional charge will be added to your loan. The charge will vary depending on the overall health of the economy.

You’ll start paying back your interest free (indexed) loan when you’re earning above the compulsory threshold amount (\$51,957 in 2018-19), or you can start making voluntary repayments to the ATO at any time.

### **Centrelink Payments:**

These are not loans, so you won’t have to pay them back. You’ll need to apply for these payments through Centrelink, meet the eligibility requirements, and keep your myGov account updated with any changes in your circumstances.

You’ll need to set up a myGov / Centrelink account if you haven’t already got one.

[Youth allowance](#) –aged 24 or under & in full-time study.

You’ll need to be an Australian citizen enrolled on a course with a Uni that offers HELP loans to receive this payment. (You don’t have to take out a HELP loan to be eligible though).

The payment rate you could receive is variable, and is calculated based on your individual circumstances (assessed when you apply). But for example if you are over 18, with no children and need to live away from home to study the maximum you could receive would be \$455.20 per fortnight.

Follow the instructions on [how to apply](#). You’ll need supporting documentation on hand so read up on what you’ll need before you start.

[Austudy](#) – a means tested payment available to over 25’s in full-time study at an approved institution.

The amount you’ll receive varies depending on how much you earn and if you have any assets. For example, the highest rate you can receive if you’re single with no children would be \$455.20 per fortnight.

Follow the instructions on [how to apply](#), you’ll need supporting documentation to hand so read up what you’ll need before you start.

[ABSTUDY](#) – payments for Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islander students studying full or part time.

It covers study and housing costs, living expenses and travel.

The amount you will receive depends on your individual circumstances, but for example, if you are aged 16-21 and living away from home you could receive a maximum of \$455.20 per fortnight.



Follow the instructions on [how to apply](#). You may need supporting documentation to hand, so read up or give the Centrelink office a call to find out what you'll need before you start.

### **Additional payments include:**

**Student start-up loan** – a loan of \$1,077 twice a year. You must be receiving one of the above payments and be studying an accredited course at Uni full-time.

**Relocation scholarship** – get an annual payment of \$4,553 in 1<sup>st</sup> year, \$2,278 2<sup>nd</sup> year & \$1,138 every year after that. If you receive ABSTUDY / Youth Allowance / Energy Supplement, need to move to or from a regional or remote area for higher education study.

**Fares Allowance** – Covers the cost of travel to & from your place of study (limited trips). You must be a tertiary student living away from home, receiving Youth Allowance / Austudy / Pensioner Education Supplement, study online or by distance.

**Rent Assistance** – variable, but for every \$1 above the set minimum rate, you could receive \$0.75 back. To be eligible you must be receiving other payments from Centrelink.

**Pensioner Education Supplement** – must be receiving other payments from Centrelink, studying full-time, or studying part-time as a single parent / have a disability, injury or illness. You can receive \$62.40 per fortnight / \$31.20 per fortnight depending on your eligibility.

If you're working part time while you study, look at job seeker allowances including:

#### **Newstart Allowance**

#### **Youth Allowance as a job seeker**

If you're not eligible for any of the above payments but you're on a low income you could apply for a **low income health care card**. (From 1 Jan 2019 if you're receiving Youth Allowance, Austudy or ABSTUDY you'll automatically receive a Health Care Card).

It may entitle you to cheaper prescription medications, energy and electricity, healthcare, and public transport.

**Youth Disability Supplement** – The maximum amount is \$129.80 per fortnight and you'll be automatically assessed when you apply for Disability Support Pension / Youth Allowance / ABSTUDY.

Use the [Payment and Service Finder](#) to see if you eligible for any of the above payments, and if there's anything else you might be able to apply for.

### **Tertiary Admissions Centres (TAC)**

TACs are the state / territory organisations who process most of the applications for Universities (some Universities only take direct applications, and some offer the choice of applying directly or through a TAC).

They offer financial assistance to students with low socio-economic backgrounds, to help them get to Uni. Some TACs assess each student on the basis of their original application and the information supplied, while others require you to make a separate application. So read all about the requirements and how to apply, and make sure you get your applications in before the cut-off dates.

#### **UAC (NSW & ACT)**

#### **Educational Access Scheme (EAS)**

#### **QTAC (QLD)**



### [Educational Access Scheme \(EAS\)](#)

#### [VTAC \(VIC\)](#)

You can apply for some scholarships through VTAC. Check this [list](#) for a which Universities and which scholarships apply.

#### [Special Entry Access Scheme \(SEAS\)](#)

#### [SATAC \(SA & NT\)](#)

Undergraduate [Institution Equity Scholarships \(IES\)](#), SATAC processes Equity Scholarships on behalf of the University of South Australia.

#### [TISC \(WA\)](#)

No specific programs, but each of the 4 Universities (Curtin, Edith Cowan, Murdoch & UWA) have scholarships and programs that you may be eligible to apply for.

#### [UTAS \(TAS\)](#)

Through UTAS you may be able to access financial counselling or the [Safety Net Grant Scheme](#).

### Scholarships

Scholarships are awards that help students achieve further education goals. They're usually a financial boost, a one-off payment, or an annual payment for the duration of the lucky recipients' studies. But sometimes they come with other benefits, including mentoring, access to special schemes, networking etc.

Scholarships directly aimed at helping students from low-socio economic or rural and remote backgrounds are often called equity scholarships. But even if you're not classed in one of those categories, there are plenty of scholarships you are still eligible to apply for.

Scholarships are awarded based upon various criteria, decided by the donor or founder of the award. They usually go towards (or cover) tuition fees, living and accommodation costs.

There are over 3,000 scholarships available in Australia. They come from a number of sources including Universities, private donors, private organisations and the government.

Examples of scholarship categories include:

- Merit / achievement / academic
- Gender
- Indigenous
- Sporting excellence / Athletic ability
- Financial support (low income) / equity
- Regional / remote (students from remote areas that may otherwise be disadvantaged)
- Leadership

Scholarship money is not a loan and **not** required to be repaid.

However, there are usually conditions attached. For example studying in a particular field, studying at a specific Uni, retaining a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA), you must write to the donor, etc.





Always check the terms and conditions before applying for and accepting any scholarships to make sure that you're happy to comply.

When you've decided what you want to study and where, it's definitely worth spending some time researching your scholarship options and applying. You've got nothing to lose.

### **Grants:**

Similar to scholarships, grants are a sum of money donated (so not a loan and don't need to be repaid) to students to help them with their studies.

Generally speaking the amounts of money involved tend to be smaller than what's available in Scholarship funds, but this isn't always the case.

It's definitely another option worth researching when you're making your Uni applications, and **do** apply for them.

### **Bursaries:**

Like a grant, a bursary is a sum of money awarded to a student to help them in their studies. They're provided by the Uni and are often linked to different schools.

Check what's available when you've decided on the courses you'd like to apply for.

### **What other options could you consider:**

If you're still unsure whether you can afford to go to Uni, or you're just not sure that the loans and payments you've applied for will be enough, before you get disheartened you can:

- List all your expenses and incomes
- Work out a budget
- Start working now and begin saving
- Consider getting part time work (check how much you're allowed to earn before any payments you are receiving are stopped)

Speak to your parents, teachers and the Universities you'd like to apply for. They can help you come up with ways that could help you achieve your goals.