Introduction:

Welcome back to Term 3. I wish Year 12 all the best and hope that they all do very well., work hard, do their best and they will definitely achieve what they deserve. After Trials all Year 12 will have formal Careers Interviews and appointments for editing applications.

Changes to the 2020 Educational Access Schemes (EAS):

Educational Access Schemes (EAS) aim to help students who have been negatively impacted during their senior years receive an offer of entry to university. There have been changes to EAS this year as a result of both Bushfire (Code NO1D) and COVID-19. Added are two new disadvantages in response to COVID-19, which have a reduced minimum period of 3 months. They are if your parent or guardian is in receipt of Job Keeper (Code FO1K) or Job Seeker (Code FO1S) allowances for at least 3 months. These codes will be added on the application after the 1st of August.

Early Entry Programs:

(ACU) Community Achiever Program (CAP):

The Community Achiever Program (CAP) is a program that offers future students who are active in their community early entry to their undergraduate course of choice.

If you're successful in applying for the CAP, you could receive an offer as early as August. Applications will open on 1 May, 2020 and will close on 5/8/2020 for Blacktown Campus, 9/9/20 for North Sydney Campus and on 16/9/20 for Strathfield Campus. https://www.acu.edu.au/study-at-acu/admission-pathways/i-volunteer-regularly

Macquarie University Leaders and Achievers Early Entry:

This scheme recognises your academic performance and your extracurricular activities beyond the classroom. You are required to provide up to three examples of your involvement in leadership and service during Year 11 or Year 12. This may include voluntary or paid activities you participated in at your school or within your community. Applications are now open and will close on 31 August, 2020. Please note that there are 3 rounds of offers and selection is based on first in first served. First round closed on 10 July, 2020, Second round will close on 10 August, 2020 and Third round will close on 31 August, 2020

Visit to complete your application and stay up to date: https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-program
Apply here: https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-requirements/domestic/entry-schemes-and-pathways/macquarie-leaders-and-achievers/how-to-apply

University of Tasmania Rural Applicants for Medicine only:

Applications open in August, 2020 and close end of September. Email admissions@utas.edu.au requesting a "rural application form" complete and submit along with application for Medicine ay UTAS before the cut off date. For more info and to apply visit: Utas.edu.au/health/study/medicine/rural-application-process

UNSW Medicine Low-SES Entry Scheme:

From April UNSW Medicine is making it easier for applicants from low socio-economic background to join their undergraduate Medicine program. A new Low-SES Entry Scheme is available for eligible students applying for the 2021 intake. Visit <u>UNSW's website</u> from April 2020 for eligibility criteria and application details.

Upcoming events

<u>Careers Excursions, Incursions, Work Experience & Career Programs</u>

Year 10:

- Mock Interview Preparation Session ~ Friday 20/11/20
- The Future of Work Program—School—Thursday 19/11/20 and Friday 20/11/20
- Startsmart Careers Program—School— Thursday 19/11/20 and Friday 20/11/20
- Australian Business Week ~ Monday 23/11/20 until Friday 27/11/20 (All Students)
- Work Experience Week ~ Monday 30/11/20 till Friday 4/11/20 (All Students)
- Mock Interviews ~ Monday 7/12/20, Tuesday 8/12/20 and Wednesday 9/12/20 (All Students)

Year 11:

WSU Careers Event Day - UWS Campbelltown Campus
 Friday 20/11/20 (Optional)

Year 12:

 Formal Careers Interviews and Editing Applications ~ Monday 17/08/20 until Friday 25/09/20

Joint Program in Medicine Western Sydney University and Charles Sturt University

From 2021, Western Sydney and Charles Sturt University will be delivering a Doctor of Medicine (MD) course together. The Joint Program in Medicine is a five-year undergraduate entry degree that qualifies you to be a medical intern in Australia and New Zealand.

Successful applicants study their degree either in the Greater Western Sydney region at Western's Campbelltown campus or in the Central NSW region at the Charles Sturt University, Orange campus.

1 - 31 July 2020 - UCAT ANZ testing dates
1 August 2020 - Applications for 2021 intake open
30 September 2020 - Applications close for 2021 intake
Mid October 2020 - Applicants invited to interviews/ assessments

16-20 November 2020 - Charles Sturt University
23-27 November 2020 - Western Sydney University
MMI interviews held at two locations, does not determine your

final study location.

Interviews for domestic applicants (Australian citizens and permanent residents)

Mid December 2020 - ATAR release date
January 2021 - Round 1 offers released
https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/courses/
undergraduate/doctor-of-medicine.html

UNSW Study Medicine in Wagga Wagga:

From 2021, students can undertake their undergraduate Medicine degree from the Wagga Wagga Campus. Visit the <u>UNSW's website</u> from April 2020 for more information on campus selection.



Co-Op Scholarships:

Co-op Scholarships are offered by Macquarie University, UTS & UNSW. They are offered primarily in: Accounting, Actuarial, Business, Data Science & Decisions, Engineering, IT & Material Science. You can go to the university websites to see their range of courses. A Co-op scholar receives 12 months of Industry training throughout their degree. They are VERY desirable to employers upon graduation and are offered Graduate positions when they graduate. A co-op scholar will receive between \$15,000 - \$19,600 pa (tax-free) for the duration of their degree.

UNSW Co-Op Program New Information for 2020:

Friday, 1 May 2020- Co-op Program applications open online Friday, **2020** Your Career Mav Create Wednesday, 30 September 2020 – Co-op Applications close Wednesday, 11 November 2020— Interview Notification Tuesday, 24 November 2020 - Interview Briefing Day Wednesday, 25 November 2020—Interviews Day Tuesday, 8 December 2020—Conditional offers

If invited for an interview applicants will complete a 2 minute video snapshot. In the snapshot the student will introduce themselves and say something interesting, unusual, unique or different about themselves to expand on their written application. For further info see the **Co-op Apply page**

The Co-op Program scholarship is increasing to \$19,600 p.a. for 4 years from 2020. Scholars undertaking a 5 year Engineering Co-op program also have the chance to compete for a 5th year Honours scholarship

Macquarie University Co-Op Program:

Macquarie University coop program applications for Actuarial Studies and Professional accounting will open on 1 April and will close on 25 September 2020. Apply at eforms.mq.edu.au/Co-op

UTS: Bachelor of IT Co-op Scholarship:

Round 1 Application opened in February and will close 6 September. Bachelor of Information Technology Co-operative Scholarship Program provides students with \$49,500 and two six month full-time industry placements with sponsor organizations. https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/information-technology/ essential-information/how-apply/how-apply-bit

Business Cadetships Season is on now:

Lots of accounting firms look for cadets at this time of year. These cadetships pay you to work fulltime while you study part time. Here are some you may find, but if you google cadetships in Business you'll find many many more: Australian Taxation Office, BDO, Bentleys NSW Pty Ltd, Boroughs Australia Pty Ltd, Boyce CA, Camphin Boston, Crofts, HLB Mann Judd, McGrathNicol, Nexia Australia, Pears Chartered Accountants and Pitcher Partners Sydney. Please note that most of these cadetship applications close in July.

Employment Guide Chartered Accountants ANZ:

Are you seeking to inspire your students to pursue a business, accounting or finance career? Featuring hundreds of employers, offering: graduate, vacation, internship and cadetship roles in accounting, business and finance. https://youunlimitedanz-guide.com/?cid=O~P~CareersGuide2019~CAANZ~201902

Westpac Young Technologist Scholarship:

Value: \$5,000

Open/Closing Dates: June 1, 2020 - November 20, 2020 Are you intrigued by technology and how it can change the world for the better? Westpac Young Technologists Scholarships are designed specifically for high school graduates who are passionate about technology and eager to explore its potential for good. Westpac is looking for curious young minds, open to new ideas and untapped opportunities. Open to students who have: A passion for technology, Interest in enhancing Australia's future technology landscape, Focus on personal growth and development., Commitment to be an active Westpac Scholar Alumni member, Diverse skills and experience. Academic excellence, with a minimum credit average for the duration of the degree.

Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident under 26 years of age. Students must have completed the appropriate education certificate to gain university entrance. Please refer to your preferred university's terms and conditions. Find out more here: https://scholars.westpacgroup.com.au/ scholarships/young-technologists/

Choosi Futures Grant Program:

Value: \$5,000

Open/Closing Dates: January 15, 2020 - October 31, 2020 The Choosi Futures Grant Program offers financial assistance to those studying the health, fitness and medical disciplines to help them, help others lead healthy lives. To be eligible, you must be a citizens or permanent residents of Australia, have reached 18 years of age to enter, be enrolled full-time in an accredited Australian Education Institution and be studying for a degree in any of the following areas: Medicine - eg: Medical & Health Sciences, Medical Science, Medicine / Surgery, Medical Studies, Medical Research. Health Sciences & Healthcare industry – eg: Health Sciences (any specialty), Applied Science (health & fitness-related specialties), Health & Sport Sciences, Health Services Assistance. Specialist healthcare - eg: Nursing, Optometry & Vision Science, Dentistry, Dental Surgery, Dental Science, Dental Medicine, Pharmacy. Find out more here: https:// www.choosi.com.au/grants

Scholarships for Medicine:

Plan ahead and research these great options.

Bonded Medical Places Scheme

Rural Australia Medical Undergraduate Scholarship (RAMUS) John Flynn Placement Program Medshop Australia Student Scholarship Program

Medical Insurance Group Australia - elective grants program

Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS)

Support for Rural Specialists in Australia Funding General Practice Rural Incentives Program

Australian College of Rural & Remote Medicine (awards and

Cowra Country Women's Association Medical Education Grant Rural Resident Medical Cadetship

Bush Bursary/CWA Scholarship

HETI GP in Psychiatric Medicine Scholarships

More info at:https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/universityscholarships/

The 2020 University of Sydney Leadership Award Applications open on Wednesday 1 July 2020 and close on Sunday 30 August, 2020.

The University of Sydney Leadership Award rewards students who display leadership qualities and demonstrate involvement in extracurricular, community and social justice activities. Participating schools which are co-educational will receive two awards to be given to one female and one male student.

Award component

Firstly, the recipient will be acknowledged at the graduation ceremony in September. The Leadership Award will be presented to the recipient, and includes:

- ☐ A trophy, certificate and/or gift pack
- ☐ An on-campus experience with a representative of the university and senior student ambassador.

Secondly, if the recipient decides to attend USYD, they will receive:

- □ A guaranteed scholarship valued at \$6,000 for their first year.
 □ Note: if students would like to be considered for a scholarship for
- the duration of their undergraduate study, they are encouraged to apply for a Sydney Scholars Award in addition to the Leadership Award.

Selection Criteria:

- The Selection Committee will consider applicants with reference to:

 1. Future goals: Students must describe their future goals in relation to university study and beyond. Students should explain how they think studying at university will help them achieve these goals.
- 2. Academic achievement: Students should demonstrate academic achievement beyond cohort rankings through engagement in academic activities. Examples include: academic competitions, enrichment programs, public speaking, debating etc
- 3. Leadership qualities: Demonstrated experience and commitment to developing and displaying leadership skills within a school context. This may relate to holding formal leadership roles within extra-curricular activities or may be demonstrated in an informal setting such as care for peers and leadership within the learning environment.
- **4.** Extracurricular/community and social justice involvement: Demonstrated involvement in extracurricular, community and social justice programs both within the school and general community.

Selection Process:

- 1. Students apply online to be considered for the Award. The online application will require applicants to input their personal details, responses to the selection criteria and upload their most recent school report.
- 2. After the Award closing date, the University will send the School Selection Committee a spreadsheet with all eligible applicants with their responses and supporting documents.
- 3. The School Selection Committee must then assess the responses of the applicants. The School Selection Committee will be provided with an online survey where they rank each applicant in two categories a. Future Goals and Academic Achievements and Leadership and Extracurricular activities. However the final decision rests with the University.
- 4. The University Selection Committee will then review the School's feedback and make a final determination.
- 5. The University will award the recipients and advise schools accordingly of the outcome.

USYD: Dalyell Scholars program:

Students with an ATAR (or equivalent) of 98+ will be invited to enrol in the Dalyell Scholars program. Studying alongside other high -achieving peers, Dalyell Scholars will have the opportunity to take on additional challenges and access exclusive opportunities such as: tailored mentoring and professional skills development specialised Language and Mathematical Sciences programs research and entrepreneurship programs.

<u>Great at Art or Music? NEW! University of Sydney Creative Arts Special Admissions Scheme:</u>

This new scheme offers talented Year 12 students a chance to enter music and visual arts degrees based on audition and portfolio prior to getting their ATAR.

Exceptionally talented students in music and visual arts can now apply for courses at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and Sydney College of Arts prior to receiving an ATAR. Students can receive an early offer based on an audition and interview or by submitting a portfolio of art works and undertaking an interview. The offer applies to domestic students wishing to apply for studies in 2021.

The new admissions scheme ensures talented students are selected on ability and potential rather than academic ranking. https://www.sydney.edu.au/news-opinion/news/2020/07/02/newearly-offers-for-talented-students-in-music-and-visual-arts.html? tc=edm|stud|mc-student|edu-staff-hss|%20|

WSU - Bachelor of Music Applicants

All music applicants will need to apply through UAC or direct. You may **either** audition into the degree **or** submit qualifications for Band 4 HSC Music, or AMEB theory and practical qualifications or TAFE qualifications.

Auditions Submissions will be accepted until 5 February, 2021 To audition for the degree, either submit videos of two performances made on a phone or other video recording device saved as MP4 files, OR a composition portfolio of two or more works, in score and recorded formats. Performances may be on more than one instrument or voice, and backing tracks may be used as accompaniment. Upload the videos along with a document containing your email address, phone number and photo ID to the following link. Please begin the label for each file with your name. All files will be stored securely.

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/how-to-apply/music -applicants.html. Submit audition files here: https://cloudstor.aarnet.edu.au/plus/s/fxnkZufrkvjJe5B

<u>Inside Cyber Security Careers – New Hub</u>

Thinking about studying IT or computer science? There'll be 3.5 million new jobs in cyber security by 2021, which makes it an awesome and in-demand area to specialise in. The brand-new cyber security careers hub will tell you what to study, which employers to hit up and what's involved in the job.

http://careerswithstem.com.au/category/cybersecurity/?

Early Offer for University of Notre Dame

Applications to Notre Dame University's Early Offer program will close on July 31, 2020. Receiving an Early Offer means you can take your Year 12 exams with the added confidence of knowing you have a place at Notre Dame University next year. Have a **seamless transition** to University life, with the full support of their Academic and Admissions staff helping you every step of the way. https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/early-offer/early-offer-sydney?



Bond University Scholarships:

Bond University offers one of Australia's most generous scholarship programs, featuring a range of full-fee and part-fee scholarships awarded to the best and brightest applicants. Scholarships are designed to reward and recognise students who have excelled in the areas of academia, leadership, community and sport; including but not limited to:

- Vice Chancellor's Elite Scholarship 100% tuition remission
- \bullet $\;$ Bond University Indigenous Scholarship up to 100% tuition remission
- Sporting Scholarships up to 100% tuition remission
- Excellence Scholarship 50% tuition remission
- Leadership Scholarship 25% tuition remission Applications are currently open and close on: **Sunday, 9 August** for Vice Chancellor 's Elite Scholarship applicants.

Sunday, 6 September for all other scholarship applicants

How do students apply?

Step One - Complete the Bond University Study Application Form at apply.bond.edu.au.

Step Two - Complete the Scholarship Application Form at <u>apply.bond.edu.au/scholarships</u> by the earliest closing date relevant to the scholarships they are applying for.

Your free guide to a career in Optometry:

Given that approximately 75% of vision loss is preventable or treatable, there is usually something that can be done to help your patients.

Given that work-related factors such as clinical challenges keep 78% of Australian optometrists happy and satisfied with their profession, you will most likely enjoy this profession if you like the challenge of putting together all the clues to reach a diagnosis and management plan in complex cases.

The scope of practice of optometrists is expanding. Students commencing an optometry degree in the future will be therapeutically endorsed when they graduate. This means that they will be better placed to assist some of their patients who present with eye inflammations, infections and injuries. It is expected that the number of people presenting to optometrists instead of emergency departments with eye injuries will increase https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/optometry-career/

Mind the Gap – Tax Made Easy to Understand:

How do I file my very first tax return? (TFNs, PAYG summaries, tax agents, deduction basics)

How can I check my boss is paying me right? (Payslips, modern awards, leave and loading)

And what about superannuation and other money stuff? (Super, insurances, banking, money)

Mind the Gap is your pathway into the workforce! Mind the Gap offers an online course and classroom workshops tailored to your needs. For schools, institutions and the general public, Mind the Gap Online is a place to for to learn the basics of money in Australia. http://www.mindthegapacademy.com.au/#

WSU HSC True Reward (Early Entry):

HSC True Reward is for Year 12 students completing their HSC and provides students with an early offer into Western Sydney University based on HSC results, instead of a scaled ATAR. HSC True Reward is offering students entry into university based on their Year 11 results or Year 12 results.

Another exciting new innovation to the True Reward program this year, is the inclusion of the University's Alpha platform – a ground breaking digital experience that provides tailor-made content for students based on personal and professional development needs and goals. Alpha's Edge playlist is a playlist of learning activities that will assist students with career decision making and prepare them for university.

Applications are now open and close at midnight on 11 December 2020. For further information on Western Sydney University's early offer programs and pathways. The following webinars are open for registration:

Join the HSC True Reward Webinar to learn more about the early offer program and the exciting new changes in 2020 for 2021 intake. Learn about how students can use either their Year 11 or 12 results, receive conditional offers, and the inclusion of the new Alpha's Edge playlist, a ground-breaking digital experience providing students with an incredible head start for both University study and their future careers.

Courses Excluded from True Reward

The following courses are excluded from the True Reward program due to additional selection criteria and capped placements.

- Bachelor of Architectural Design
- Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedicine)
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy
- Bachelor of Podiatric Medicine
- Bachelor of Speech Pathology
- Bachelor of Laws (Graduate Entry)
- Bachelor of Laws (Non-Graduate Entry)
- Doctor of Medicine

- Bachelor of Midwifery
- Bachelor of Nursing (Enrolled Nurse pathway)
- Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth-5/Birth-12) Diploma pathway
- Bachelor of Education (Primary) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education
- Associate Degree in Engineering
- Bachelor of Occupational Therapy

To find out more about eligible courses, important dates and how Year 12 students apply, visit:

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/hsc-true-reward.html?cid=em:whats-on-hsctr

ACU Guarantee Opens 3 August

The ACU Guarantee program offers eligible Year 12 students a place at ACU based on your Year 11 results.

Offers may be made as early as September. While successful applicants must still complete their Year 12 exams, you can do so secure in the knowledge that your marks from Year 11 meet our entry requirements. You may also enhance your entry score by including a short personal statement that gives ACU an insight into your personal circumstances and motivation for university study. https://www.acu.edu.au/study-at-acu/admission-pathways/acuguarantee? cldee=Z2FyeS5ncmFudEBqb2JqdW1wLmNvbS5hdQ% 3d%3d&recipientid=contact-5003b227bd3fe5118108c4346bac3e68-184cb8bcbc7543f5b1bf8ccc9247fd6a&esid=866491ee-b9c4-ea11a812-000d3a085914

<u>University of Sydney Scholarships Workshop</u> Tuesday 6 August, 5.00pm-6.00pm

Join us for a practical session where we will use the Sydney Scholars Award to work through tips and examples for scholarship applications. https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN PYji--4JQUC5BVj4Vk6XbQ

University of Wollongong (UOW) Virtual Open Day Register

8 August. 12.00 to 5pm

Get all the information you need, in one spot. With a range of interactive virtual experiences available, you'll receive all the information you need to start uni in 2021. Get your questions answered live by UOW experts, learn more about UOW courses and entry requirements, roam the campus facilities in 360° or book a personalised on-campus tour, all from the comfort of your own home. https://www.uow.edu.au/openday/

CSU Parent Information Day

4 August. 6.30pm to 8pm

Want the complete picture of your child's path from high school to uni? Our free online Parent Information Session will give you everything you need to know.

Sign up to join us on Tuesday, 4 August and we'll send you a link so you can hop into the event. Connecting online is super easy and we'll give you a simple guide to help you.

Breakout sessions

There are eight specialist sessions on offer. When you sign up, select the two you'd most like to attend. Each session will have a 10minute presentation and then you can fire away with any questions! https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events/parents.

<u>Careers with Engineering free webinar:</u> 21 August 12pm

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In this webinar, we ask three engineers to go head-to-head to answer all of your burning engineering questions and bust the most common myths about what engineering careers really look like, from hiking boots to hijabs and heels.

Join Careers with STEM co-founder and journalist Heather Catchpole online as we speed test the latest edition of Careers with STEM: Engineering and meet some engineers working on fascinating challenges and learn about how they got involved in their

careers in this interactive careers webinar. Info here: https://careerswithstem.com.au/events/? utm_source=Refraction+Media&utm_campaign=dbd36e2bca-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_04_04_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_20dc88b9ea-dbd36e2bca 148898187&mc cid=dbd36e2bca&mc eid=5a58dfdde9 Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/

Ask A Teacher:

Do you have questions about a future career in teaching for current NSW public school teachers. Webinar Guest hosts include:

30 July: Yasodai - HSIE Teacher 6 August: Amy - Primary Teacher

13 August: Jonathan - Mathematics Teacher

A unique webinar link will be emailed to you following registration.

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ask-a-teacher-tickets-

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ments.

Want to be a teacher? Requirements for all teaching courses:

For accreditation as a teacher in NSW, graduates will need to meet requirements set by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA). Students entering accredited teaching programs need to have achieved a minimum of three Band 5s, one of which must be in English, in their HSC or meet a comparable academic standard early in the program. Check with individual institutions for further information on requirements for particular teaching programs and other approved pathways to study if you do not meet these require-

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission requirements are set out in the individual course descriptions accessed through the course search. For further information, check with individual institutions about their specific entry requirements.

Some institutions require you to complete a questionnaire as part of your application.

How to complete the teaching questionnaire. SUBJECT CONTENT REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATE ENTRY TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

You must meet the NESA subject content requirements either before admission or before graduation.

To be offered admission to a postgraduate primary teaching degree, your undergraduate (or any postgraduate) degree/s must contain at least one year of full-time study in one key learning area or a combination of key learning areas from the primary school curriculum.

To be offered admission to a postgraduate secondary teaching degree, your undergraduate (or any postgraduate) degree/s must contain a major in the first subject you intend to teach and a minor in any additional subjects you would like to teach. The initial teacher education providers determine if you meet these subject content requirements.

Check the NESA website for details of requirements for teachers in NSW. LITERACY AND NUMERACY TEST FOR INITIAL TEACHER EDUCATION

If you do not meet these requirements, you may not be able to undertake practical course requirements in NSW schools.

Acknowledgement - Excerpt from UAC

Teaching 101 webinar with teachNSW:

Register for a Teaching 101 webinar with the teach. NSW team to learn more about the wonderful opportunities available to current senior students considering a career as a teacher with NSW Department of Education.

The webinar series will commence Monday 20 July and will run through to Thursday 27 August. Each webinar will run for approximately 30 minutes and will contain information on: 2021 scholarships for future teacher, university entry requirements, benefits and incentives offered to teachers in public schools and career development opportunities with the NSW DET.

Registration is now open. Find out more and register now for your preferred sessions. For further information about the Teaching 101 webinar series, email the teach. NSW team at: hrpromotions@det.nsw.edu.au.



Year 10 Work Experience—Term 4—Week 8 is Going Ahead:

The Year 10 work experience is scheduled to run this year in Term 4—Week 8 from Monday 30th November until Friday 4th December, 2020. The Student Placement Record form submission is supposed to be by Monday 3rd August, 2020. However due to the COVID 19 second wave, the uncertainty of this period and the difficulties that most students are finding in applying for work experience we understand that it is difficult to stick to this due date. We are investigating other alternatives like an online virtual work experience or e work experience as a replacement for those who can't find a spot to go to. Further information will be provided as soon as we finalise our options.

The Australian Signals Directorate (ASD) Work Experience:

The Australian Signals Directorate (ASD) is the national authority for information security and through its Work Experience Program offers students from Years 11-12 an opportunity to extend their knowledge and skills in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), with a focus on information/cyber security. High achieving Year 10 Students with a strong interest in this field are also encouraged to apply and may be considered for a placement. The ASD Work Experience Program offers a number of challenges designed to increase STEM knowledge and understanding, such as:

python programming

identifying security intrusions on a computer system

identifying email compromises

monitoring network traffic to detect exploits

conducting forensic examinations of hard drives

exploiting web application vulnerabilities

learning modern encryption methods and how they are used to protect data

performing geospatial analysis and utilising geospatial tools for imagery analysis

engineering hardware and software solutions for security problems robotics programming using Arduino

constructing electrical circuits

Interstate students are encouraged to apply – financial assistance may be available.

The placement will run from 28 September – 02 October 2020. For more information: https://www.defence.gov.au/WorkExperience/Default.asp

University of Newcastle Bachelor of Coastal and Marine Science

Is the ocean and coast part of your life style? Are you wanting to learn about the marine environment?

The coastal and marine environment provides recreation, food, energy, and other resources, and needs to be sustainably managed in the face of an uncertain future. Australia is home to some of the most unique and diverse coastlines and marine ecosystems in the world.

By understanding the ecological, physical, conservation, societal and management issues they face – such as climate change, pollution, urbanisation and conflicting users – UON can help find solutions to these problems. When you study a Bachelor of Coastal and Marine Science you'll be learning from experts in marine, coastal and ecological fields – giving you practical skills to make a difference to our world. For more info visit: https://www.newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-coastal-and-marine-science

SAT and ACT Admission Tests - What's the Difference?

Internationally Educated has updates an article comparing the SAT and the ACT tests which are used for admission purposed to US universities. Any queries, contact 8006 9737.

US University Admissions and COVID-19

Secondary school students across the globe have gone from attending school as they know it to distance learning during a very critical time in their studies. During this transition, student concerns include assessments, grading scales, and other longer-term academic implications. These academic concerns coupled with the suspension in sport, clubs and other leadership opportunities has left many students with extra time, which they've never previously experienced, but also with a sense of uncertainty.

If you are a year 12 (or 11) student looking to study in the US, you will be questioning how COVID-19 will impact your US university admissions and your applications. The global pandemic will affect US university admissions, but to what extent . Below are some ways in which we already know admissions will be impacted as well as some ideas to consider with your US university applications in mind. SAT and ACT Tests - The SAT and ACT tests, which are usually an admission requirement, have postponed their testing dates globally. Read more here:

https://www.internationallyeducated.com.au/post/2020/04/08/us-university-admissions-and-covid-19

2020 SAT and ACT Test Dates

SAT - 29 August , 26 September, 3 October, 5 December

ACT - 12 September, 10 October, 12 December

To learn more about SAT Subject Tests read the article titled 'Optional standardised tests for admission purposes to US uni's - who should take them?' They have also updated an article which summarises the SAT and ACT as well as an article which provides an overview of the US admission process. From 2019 in Australia the ACT has moved to computer based testing (CBT) where the SAT continues to be a hard copy testing format.

https://www.internationallyeducated.com.au/post/2020/02/25/2020-standardised-test-dates.

WSU Bachelor of Speech Pathology

Campbelltown Campus

Speech pathology assesses and treats disorders of communication in areas such as speech, voice, language and swallowing in children and adults. Make a difference in the lives of others with the skills learned in this degree.

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/courses/undergraduate/bachelor-of-speech-pathology.html

Western Sydney University Advantage Schemes:

The WSU Advantage Scheme is designed to provide you with more opportunities to study at WSU and achieve your own degree of success. Students may receive up to 10 (Adjustment Factors)Bonus ATAR points qualifying for a range of WSU schemes including regional bonus points, subject bonus points, the early offer program, educational access scheme and the elite athlete and performer bonus scheme. http://uws.edu.au/informationabout/uwsadvantage scheme.