REMINDERS

1. OPEN DAYS REMINDER – Universities and other institutions hold Open Days. More details next term, however, the dates are provided again here for your diary.

Sat 2 Aug - Monash University (Berwick & Peninsula campuses)
Sun 3 Aug - Deakin (Warrnambool), Monash (Caulfield, Clayton & Parkville), Swinburne
Sun 10 Aug - Australian Catholic Uni (ACU) (Melbourne), Deakin (Geelong), RMIT (Bundoora, Brunswick, City)
Sun 17 Aug - La Trobe Uni (Bendigo), University of Melbourne
Sun 24 Aug - Box Hill Institute, Deakin (Melbourne), La Trobe (Melbourne), Victoria, William Angliss Institute
Sun 31 Aug - ACU (Ballarat), Federation Uni (Ballarat & Gippsland)

2. GAINING A PLACE IN GRADUATE-ENTRY MEDICINE – At the University of Melbourne, medicine is a Graduate-entry degree, with applicants first needing to complete a degree including prerequisite studies (eg the University of Melbourne’s B. Biomedicine or the B. Science). Selection to this degree is based on the Graduate Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT), usually sat in the final year of the undergraduate degree, performance in the undergraduate degree (including completion of prerequisite studies) and an interview. Students attend an interview if they meet the other two criteria. Each criteria is weighted equally by the selection panel. Info: [www.medicine.unimelb.edu.au/study here/md/application process](http://www.medicine.unimelb.edu.au/study here/md/application process). As this is a postgraduate qualification, there is no need to sit the Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT). (The UMAT is now only required to be sat in Victoria by applicants for the undergraduate medicine degree at Monash University).

Two other Graduate-entry medical degrees are offered in Victoria, at Deakin University in Geelong and Monash in Gippsland (Monash also offers the only Victorian undergraduate medical degree).

As previously stated, from 2017, at least 50 of the 75 domestic places available into the Monash Graduate Entry MBBS will be reserved for students who have completed Monash University’s Bachelor of Biomedical Science. The others will be open to students who have completed the following Monash University degrees: Bachelor of Biomedical Science (including double degrees), Bachelor of Pharmacy, Bachelor of Physiotherapy and Bachelor of Science (dependent on the completion of designated units). Selection of students for the Graduate-entry MBBS will include a multiple mini interview; the GAMSAT will not be required.

Deakin does not specify any undergraduate degree to be completed first, but applicants will need to be equipped to answer questions in the GAMSAT and complete an interview.

3. MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS –

- Monash VTAC domestic first preferences increased by 4.7% this year (+635), while under-graduate offers of places increased by 3.5%, with 10,866 offers being made.
- New courses at Monash for 2015 – Berwick campus will offer the Bachelor of Nursing, Clayton will offer the Diploma of Higher Education – Science, a new City location will offer the Bachelor of International Business, and Peninsula will offer the Bachelor of Education (Honours) Primary and Secondary Health and Physical Education.
- From 2015, all 4+ year Monash degrees will give an honours qualification. This can lead on to a one year Masters’ degree, with only one year being full-fee paying.
- Selection to the medical imaging degree will include an interview for the 2015 intake.
- Monash offered 5,868 scholarships in 2014 – up 37% on 2013.

4. NURSING AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY –

Health courses at VU give hands-on experience and learning through scenario-based placements and clinical assessment. Students gain the latest knowledge, skills and experience to be work-ready and career-focused before graduation. The three-year B. Nursing prepares graduates to be qualified registered nurses recognised by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council. It is also a pathway to paramedics through the B. Health Science (Paramedic). See: [www.vu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-nursing-hbnb](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-nursing-hbnb).

NOTE: Division 1 Nursing is also offered at ACU, Deakin, Federation, La Trobe, Melbourne, Monash, and RMIT Universities.
5. ENVIRONMENTAL AND MARINE CAREERS EXPO – Join the experts for a careers, employment, and training expo at Melbourne Aquarium. The Expo brings together professionals from a variety of industries and tertiary institutions. **When:** Twilight session 4.30-8pm, Thurs 7 Aug; **Where:** Sea Life, Melbourne Aquarium; **Cost:** $20 per person early bird (by 27 June), $25 afterwards; **Bookings:** 9923 5911, bookings@melbourneaquarium.com.au; **Info:** www.melbourneaquarium.com.au/schools.

6. INTERNATIONAL COURT RULES DEAKIN LAW STUDENTS BEST IN WORLD – Deakin University has taken one of the world’s most prestigious law student competitions, winning the team’s award in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in Vienna. The mock court competition, known as the Vis Moot, is a highly prestigious event, with 290 law schools from around the globe competing. The competition requires students to prepare materials for a hypothetical international commercial law dispute and then argue that case against other teams.

7. IT@DEAKIN – Deakin offers a range of IT disciplines, including games design and development, IT security and computer science. The perception of computer games has completely shifted. Games are now fundamental tools used in sales and marketing, business strategy, education, and science – much more than just entertainment products and graduates are well prepared for careers beyond traditional roles in gaming companies. **IT security** is suited to students interested in tackling cyber-crime and cyber-security head-on. Graduates with skills in this area are highly sought-after. **Computer science** focuses on the technological aspects of computing and IT, including development of analytical skills and an understanding of programming and software engineering.

8. INTERESTED IN LOGISTICS? Logistics is about getting materials/foodstuffs to the right place at the right time. The Victorian Transport Association Logistics Cadetship is a 2-yr program with recipients **employed fulltime** with logistics companies while **studying for a Certificate IV/Diploma in Logistics**. Cadets are released from work to study at VU. Cadets **earn a full time wage** while studying. If you want a career in business, this could be the one for you. **Info:** Leni Carrion, Ph 9646 8590, cadetship@vta.com.au; **See:** www.vta.com.au.

9. SECURE YOUR PLACE AT LA TROBE UNI BEFORE YOUR ATAR – Don’t forget that Aspire Early Admissions Program applications open on Tuesday 1 July. Check out the program and key dates to **apply now**.