



Career News



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Open Days & Info Sessions

[#OranaOnline | Info Session for School Leavers and Aspiring Fashion Pros](#)

15 July 2020, 1:00 pm

Online

Do you dream of a career in fashion? Are you obsessed with social media?

We help our students transition from student to thriving professional in fashion business and social media.

Join us live at #OranaOnline to find out how to finish high school with no-stress and much excitement for your future.

The next session will be held on July 15th at 1.00pm (AEST).

During the session we'll cover:

- How to apply for early entry and why
- What we look for in a scholarship candidate
- What courses we offer, including our brand new social media course, launching in 2021!

Spaces are limited for our early entry and scholarship programs, so if you know you want to make fashion or social media your career, head to our website to apply now:

<http://oranacollege.com.au>

Want to get to know us more? Click here to download our course guide:

<https://bit.ly/OranaCourseGuide>

We look forward to seeing you at #OranaOnline

Find out more: <https://bit.ly/OranaOnline>

[Monash | Inside Monash Webinars](#)

15 July 2020, 5:30 pm - 27 August 2020, 8:00 pm

Online

Get the inside story on what it's really like to study at Monash. Over the course of the coming months, you'll have the opportunity to hear from current students, past students, and academics from all ten faculties. You'll find out about course information, entry schemes, scholarships, accommodation and so much more.

Find out more: <https://www.monash.edu/inside-monash>

[Camp America | Online Information Session](#)

15 July 2020, 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Online

Summer Camps are looking for you! Teach your skills all summer, make a difference and meet great mates on your next adventure. Stop dreaming and start your next adventure from home.

Join Camp America for an Online information session from the comfort of your home. We've got heaps of tips and tricks to make your dreams reality and make application stand out. Get a full rundown of what your Camp America Experience could look like. Bring mum, dad and your best friend, all are welcome.

Topics Covered:

- What is Camp America?
- The role of the Counsellor
- Before and after camp travel
- Program Costs
- Application tips
- And more!

Find out more: <https://www.campamerica.com.au/events/camp-america-online-3>

Fed Uni | Webinar: Study Psychology

21 July 2020, 12:30 pm - 1:15 pm

Online

When studying psychology at Federation University, you are a name, not a number. Learn about our course work and range of psychology programs. Hear from our passionate psychology experts, and students about the learning experience at Federation University.

Find out more: https://federation.edu.au/events/details?event=EVT-001964-ARRCH6&variation=1&return_asset=290792

Fed Uni | Webinar: Bachelor of Biomedical Science

22 July 2020, 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Online

Biomedicine is an exciting area that plays a major role in helping people lead healthier lives. In Federation's Bachelor of Biomedical Science. Students learn about the human body and the processes associated with disease. Find out about the wide range of career options available to you at the completion of this degree.

Find out more: https://federation.edu.au/events/details?event=EVT-001965-PZ70T1&variation=2&return_asset=290792

La Trobe | Aspire Early Admissions – Applications 101 Webinar

22 July 2020, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Online

At La Trobe, we know there's more to being a good student than marks alone. Our Aspire Early Admissions Program rewards your involvement in community, leadership and volunteering with an early conditional offer into your chosen course at La Trobe. In this webinar, we'll tell you

exactly what goes into writing a successful Aspire application. You'll get the opportunity to ask questions that help you need.

Find out more: <https://www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/la-trobe-aspire-early-admissions-applications-103>

Fed Uni | Webinar: Study Physiotherapy or Occupational Therapy

3 August 2020, 12:30 pm - 1:15 pm

Online

Hear from academics and students about our new programs in occupational therapy and physiotherapy offered at our Gippsland campus, and discover a vast range of careers available.

Find out more: https://federation.edu.au/events/details?event=EVT-001969-FCISZA&variation=5&return_asset=290792

Fed Uni | Webinar: Bachelor of Veterinary and Wildlife Science

5 August 2020, 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Online

If you are passionate about animal science, this degree provides an exciting opportunity to focus on animal health and management. Laboratory based learning is supported by fieldwork at sites such as farming and breeding enterprises, animal health practices and natural habitats with wildlife populations. Hear from a student currently in the program about the hands-on nature of this degree.

Find out more: https://federation.edu.au/events/details?event=EVT-001970-538FXE&variation=6&return_asset=290792

RMIT | Virtual Open Day

8 August 2020, 10:00 am - 9 August 2020, 3:00 pm

Online

This Open Day will be an online experience not to be missed. This is your chance to explore our campus and facilities through immersive virtual tours, chat directly to our students and staff to find out what studying at RMIT is really like and get all of your questions answered.

You can also enjoy one of the many presentations to explore your course options, join live Q&A panels and information sessions, and explore the study tours, industry placements and clubs that you can join when you become part of the RMIT community.

Find out more: <https://www.rmit.edu.au/openday>

Torrens University | Virtual Open Day

11 August 2020, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Virtual Open Day is an online event designed for you to explore your study options in courses related to Business, Design & Creative Technology, Hospitality, Health and Education.

Hear from a variety of inspiring guest speakers, get involved in virtual workshops, and get all of your questions answered. Your future is waiting for you.

Find out more: <https://www.torrens.edu.au/about/events-and-workshops/virtual-open-day-2020>

Fed Uni | Webinar: Think of Federation for Health and Life Sciences

11 August 2020, 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Online

Discover the exciting range of Science degrees available at Federation, from Biotechnology to Veterinary and Wildlife Science

Hear from leading academics from the School of Science, Engineering, IT and Physical Sciences about our undergraduate and postgraduate degrees. Speak with our Recruitment team about available scholarships and receive tips and advice on application submissions.

Find out more: https://federation.edu.au/events/details?event=EVT-001931-7H4O27&variation=7&return_asset=290792

ACU | Guarantee and Entry Pathways Webinar

11 August 2020, 5:00 pm

Online

We know there's more to you than your entry mark which is why we offer a range of entry and pathway programs that consider your personal circumstances as well as your achievements. In this webinar we'll take you through how to apply for our entry programs, including ACU Guarantee, a new admissions program which can guarantee your place at ACU based on your Year 11 results.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/august/acu-guarantee-and-entry-pathways-webinar>

Macquarie University | Open Day Streamed

15 August 2020, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Online

At Macquarie, it's our mission to prepare you for the future, and this year we're streaming Open Day to you.

Join us online at Open Day Streamed to find out how our industry connections, passion for

collaboration and appetite for unconventional thinking will prepare you for tomorrow's world of work – all from the comfort of your own home.

With multiple locations to explore – including our student-hosted Centre Stage – you can participate in live events with activities, interviews with our experts, and discussions about your area of interest. Open Day Streamed is an experience made for (YOU)^us.

You can:

- discover more about single, double and bachelor + master degrees
- join live chats and watch videos about some of our most popular courses
- get access to exclusive content
- chat to current students and experts
- find out how to apply to Macquarie
- learn more about our adjustment factors, scholarships and pathways

Find out more: <https://www.mq.edu.au/open-day>

ACU | Talk with Arts Graduates Online

18 August 2020, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Online

Join us online to hear from ACU alumni about life after university. Take part in a Q&A session with our graduates and get an insider's perspective on working in the arts.

Find out more: <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/august/talk-with-arts-graduates-online>

ACU | Virtual Open Day

29 August 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

5 September 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

12 September 2020, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Online

Deciding what to study is a pretty momentous decision. That's why we run Open Day – it's everything you need, in one place, to help make your choice.

This year we are running Virtual Open Days, so you can join us online from the comfort and safety of your own home.

On the day you can:

- chat with current students and staff
- learn more about our courses
- discuss your study options with experts
- check out videos, virtual tours and photos of our campuses
- join online Q&As and discussions
- discover how ACU can help you achieve your goals.

Find out more: <https://openday.acu.edu.au/>

La Trobe | Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Medical) Webinar

9 September 2020, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Help address the shortage of medical professionals in regional areas and launch your career in rural health with the Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Medical). Offered exclusively to 15 rural and regional students, this degree offers a guaranteed pathway to the rural Doctor of Medicine (Rural Pathway) at the University of Melbourne Shepparton Campus.

In this webinar you will have the opportunity to hear direct from the Course Coordinator and Head of Department. Hear about the entry requirements, study outline, conditions of the program and even hear from a current student about their study experience.

Find out more: <https://www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/bachelor-of-biomedical-science-medical-webinar2>

Workshops & Courses

Make with MAC Workshops

Join artists from Moonah Arts Centre for free video workshops and activities.

Suitable for a range of ages and all abilities, these workshops and activities will get you making, crafting, performing and playing.

Find out more and participate here: <https://glenorchyarts.com.au/make-with-mac/>

NGV Online Course: Surrealism – 1920s to Now

National Gallery of Victoria curators and guests present an intermediate level study of the history of Surrealism and its ongoing influence on contemporary art and visual culture.

Starting with the birth of the movement in Europe in the 1920s, the course introduces the key techniques and processes used by the Surrealists, its arrival in Australia in the 1930s and the ways that it continues to be referenced by artists, film-makers and advertisers working today. This course is self-guided and delivered through introductory videos, essay readings, activities and quizzes developed by NGV curators, specialist academics and industry experts.

Find out more and enrol here: <https://www.ngv.vic.gov.au/program/surrealism-1920s-to-now/>

Scholarships

SAE Creative Indigenous Scholarship

Value: Full-tuition fees

Open/Closing Dates: July 1, 2020 – October 30, 2020

A full-tuition scholarship for a domestic indigenous student applying for Bachelor degree commencing in February 2021.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must meet [SAE's published entry requirements](#)
- Applicants must be commencing students who have not previously studied with SAE
- Applicants must be 17 years of age, turning 18 the first year of study or older
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Applicants must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent

Applicants are considered on their creative skill, academic excellence and leadership.

[Find out more](#)

SAE Kickstarter Grant

Value: \$15,000

Open/Closing Dates: July 1, 2020 – October 30, 2020

Tuition Scholarships for high achieving Year 12 domestic students applying for a Bachelor degree, commencing in February 2021 (Diploma available in Adelaide only).

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must meet [SAE's published entry requirements](#)
- Applicants must be commencing students who have not previously studied with SAE
- Applicants must be 17 years of age, turning 18 the first year of study or older
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Applicant must have completed year 12 in 2020

Applicants are considered on their creative skill, academic excellence and leadership.

[Find out more](#)

SAE Excellence in Creative Media Scholarship

Value: Full-tuition fees

Open/Closing Dates: July 1, 2020 – October 30, 2020

A full-tuition Scholarship for domestic students applying for a Bachelor degree commencing in February 2021.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must meet [SAE's published entry requirements](#)
- Applicants must be commencing students who have not previously studied with SAE

- Applicants must be 17 years of age, turning 18 the first year of study or older
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident

Applicants are considered on their creative skill, academic excellence and leadership.

[Find out more](#)

Competitions

STAEDTLER Secondary School Art Competition 2020

Are you a budding artist in years 7-12? Enter the STAEDTLER Secondary School Art Competition. All you need to do is create a piece of artwork using STAEDTLER products, then upload a picture of it to their website.

There are heaps of prizes to be won, including 3 x \$1,000 cash prizes.

Entries are open until Sunday 26 July.

Find out more and enter here: <https://gleam.io/P9Egt/staedtler-secondary-school-art-competition-2020>

2020 Country to Canberra Leadership Competition

Young, rural & driven? Country to Canberra's Leadership Competition is bigger than ever before!

Female students from across Australia in years 10, 11 or 12 are invited to enter by submitting a written essay or video answering the following question:

LIFTING US UP – How can women and girls empower each other and their communities in times of uncertainty and change?

The winners will receive a five day, all expenses paid 'Power Trip' to Canberra, as well as heaps of other perks.

Entries are open from Monday 20 July to Friday 4 September.

Find out more and enter here: <http://countrytocanberra.com.au/leadership-competition/>

2020 Peace Motion Graphics Competition

The world today is facing complex and interconnected challenges that block the path toward peace.

To raise awareness of the various themes of peace around the world and expand the culture of peace, the Sunhak Peace Prize Foundation is holding a motion graphics video competition. Choose a peace theme from the given list and explore the topic and achievements of those who are working to further peace in that area. Then showcase your artistic and technical skills to create a motion graphics video to share with the world what you have discovered.

Entries are open from Saturday 1 August to Monday 31 August.

Find out more and enter here: http://sunhakpeaceprize.org/bbs/board.php?bo_table=45_eng

The Moth Art Prize 2020

The Moth Art Prize is awarded annually by *The Moth* magazine to a body of figurative or representational artwork. It is open to anyone (over 16) from anywhere in the world.

The Prize consists of €1,000 plus a two-week stay at The Moth Retreat in rural Ireland.

To enter, you can submit a portfolio of images of 5–10 2D artworks, including figurative or representational paintings, drawings (including mixed media), and original prints.

Entries are open until Monday 31 August.

Find out more and enter here: <https://themothmagazine.com/a1-page.asp?ID=5858&page=23>

Careers & Jobs

Getting into Game Design

Have you considered a career as a game designer? Gaming is a growing industry in Australia, worth over \$4 billion.

If you're creative, love storytelling, and have a passion for gaming, this is a career you might like to consider.

Junkee talked to three professional game designers to find out what the industry is all about, and how you can prepare for a career in game design.

Take a look at the article here: <https://junkee.com/game-design-career-advice/257126>

Further Learning

5 tips for online Open Days

[Open Days](#) are an opportunity to answer any questions & find out everything else you need to know about university *before* you enrol. We've put together 5 tips for online Open Days that could help you get the most from these virtual events.

Online Open Days – think of the benefits

You might be feeling a little disappointed that you can't get to the campuses in person, but there are benefits to online Open Days too.

Check out more options than you might have otherwise since you won't have to travel and you could even attend different events on the same day (as long you register for them).

Say you miss out on the actual day, or you don't catch all the information first time around, or you'd like to revisit information later to help you make up your mind... well you can. Online

Open Days often have lots of recorded information sessions and tours so you can watch the videos even after the event is over.

You won't have to worry about early starts, traffic jams, navigating through cities, finding parking spots or what to wear.

What to expect from online Open Days

Online Open Days are probably new to most universities too, but there's no doubt they'll be working hard to provide you with all the information you'll need as well as the details you haven't yet thought about.

Information could include:

- A tour of the campus and facilities (maybe even the city or surrounding areas)
- Get shown around the departments you're interested in studying with
- Take a look at the accommodation options on offer
- Find out about each university's strengths and unique points
- Meet and chat to staff (teaching and admin) and current students
- Talk to experts about courses you're interested in, learn more about them and find out where to download information to read through
- Explore your study options and career outcomes
- Find alternative courses that might suit you better
- Learn about the application process
- Look at alternative entry pathways
- Get answers to specific questions you might have
- Finance options including scholarships, welfare, and more.

5 Tips for Online Open Days:

If you're not sure where to start, then here's our top tips to help get you started and ensure you get the most out of all that online open days have to offer.

1. Get [organised](#) before the event

Find out which unis are having online open days – decide which ones you'd most like to attend. Make a note of the dates and *register* (you might not be able to get access on the day if you don't).

Make sure you have a quick read of any introductory emails you're sent. These will ensure that you know which platforms are going to be used and how to access them. Plus, they could help you plan your days and be more prepared when the open day rolls around.

Note down the courses and departments you're most interested in for each university, it could help you stay focused when the event starts and ensure you don't miss the most useful bits.

Put time aside in your calendar for these events, so you double book yourself or skip them in favour of another offer.

2. Prepare your questions

Take some time to write down any general questions you might have, these could be relevant to every university and you can ask the same questions at each open day. Then you'll easily be able to compare the answers later.

If you have any questions about specific courses – make a note of those too.

You can ask questions about any aspect of university life, so it's great to make the most of this opportunity (if you forget to ask something or you think of something later don't stress – you can contact the uni afterwards).

Having a mental block about what you should be asking? Here are a couple of example questions that might inspire you:

- How many places are available on the course?
- How many hours a week are there of lectures etc., and what's the recommended amount of self-directed study?
- What study modes are available for this course (on-campus, online, or mixed)?
- Will this course provide any hands-on industry experience e.g. work experience or internships?
- What exactly does the course cover and what are my career outcomes if I complete this degree?
- Can you recommend another course that might be a better fit for me and my goals?
- What assessment methods are used?
- I'm looking at similar courses elsewhere, so why should I choose your course over another university?
- Is there any academic support available?
- Are there part-time job opportunities available at the uni, or would it be possible to complete this degree whilst working part-time?
- What societies are available at university and which are the most popular ones?
- Is a place in halls guaranteed?
- What's the best way to get around the campus and city?
- What student support services are available?
- Which is the most popular accommodation option and why?
- What's the social life like?

Don't be embarrassed to ask any questions you've got, that's what this experience is all about.

3. Watch the welcome talk first

You might be tempted to skip the intro or welcoming talk and head straight off for the campus tour or find out more about the department you're interested in.

But we'd recommend taking the time to watch this bit first. They're designed to answer some of the questions you might have about the uni, let you know about their special features and qualities, plus they could give you some tips about the best way to get the most out of their Open Day, where to find more information and much more.

4. Immerse yourself

Deciding on a the right uni and course for you is an important step, so dedicating some time and your attention to these events will mean you'll get more out of them and could help you to make the best choice.

As you watch the welcome talk, take notes – highlight the bits you really don't want to miss out on such as talks or tours that could be the most interesting and informative for you.

Do take the virtual campus and accommodation tours. It's not exactly the same as being there but with amazing technology like 3D and 360° footage you could get a really great sense of what the university is like. The bonus is that you may get to see some areas that you might not have had access to in person.

Universities are selling themselves on open days so there's bound to be some great videos, presented in a fun and easy to understand way, there may even be interactive segments too. Watch and participate as much as possible and you'll probably get much more value from your experience.

You could even ask your parent / carer, sibling or friend to watch with you, then you'll be able to discuss it with them afterwards.

5. It's good to talk

Take part in any webinars, Q&A sessions, or sign up for other options like one-on-one zoom chats. Or, use the live chat features to engage with staff and current students. You'll sign off satisfied you've got every ounce of information possible and that ticked off all your questions. If you don't get first-hand information you'll at least be told where to find relevant information on their website (it's not always straightforward finding exactly what you're looking for).

You could take note of any phone numbers or email addresses that might be handy if you have more questions later on.

What's next?

Once you've attended an [Open Day](#) – decide how you feel about what you've seen. Love it? Great, add it to your list of preferences and start thinking about getting your application ready.

Hate it? That's OK too, cross that course or uni off your list.

Still not sure? Put it on your maybe list. If you don't fill up all your preferences, then you can come back to these options and reassess them later on.

Looking for more information?

At Study Work Grow we aim to make your life easier, so we've done all the research for you. Check out our [Open Days page](#), you'll find online events listed and updated in our [events calendar](#), or you can download our Open Day Guide for 2020 with all the universities, events, dates, times and links listed – it'll be coming out soon.

Have a read of [JCU's FAQ's about Online Open Days](#) to get an idea of what you can expect from attending a virtual event like these.

[NIDA 2021 Applications Open Now](#)

Applications to study at the National Institute for Dramatic Art (NIDA) in 2021 are now open. As Australia's leading dramatic arts education institution, NIDA empowers artists in their chosen field to find their individual creative voices.

You can apply for their Bachelor of Fine Arts, majoring in Acting, Costume, Design for Performance, Technical Theatre and Stage Management, Properties and Objects, or Staging. You can also apply for one of their many Vocational or short courses.

Applications are made directly to NIDA, and are open until Wednesday 30 September.

Find out more and apply here: <https://apply.nida.edu.au/>

[Apprenticeships in VIC](#)

Looking to start an apprenticeship? MEGT has heaps of opportunities currently open for applications, including in:

- Baking
- Horticulture
- Carpentry
- Plumbing
- Administration
- And more.

There are opportunities available across the state.

Find out more and apply here: https://www.megt.com.au/job-board?field_industry=All&field_state=63&field_location=All&page=1

[Schindler Lifts Electrical Apprenticeship Program 2021](#)

Applications are now open to Schindler's 2021 Electrical Apprenticeship Program.

Throughout your apprenticeship, you will combine working with Schindler and studying for your trade qualification (Electrotechnology Certificate III).

Applications are open to people over the age of 16 who have completed Year 10.

There are positions available across the country.

Applications are open until Friday 31 July.

Find out more and apply here: <https://www.schindler.com/au/internet/en/careers/why-schindler/apprenticeship-program.html>

CQUni | Your options if you don't meet entry requirements

What happens if you finish high school and realise you haven't met the entry requirements required for your chosen course? At CQUni, we have plenty of options and pathways for everyone! Find out how you can get into your chosen course by watching our video and visiting our FAQs.

If you want more information about our enabling program STEPS, attend one of our online STEPS Information Session.

Still have questions about CQUni? Make sure you keep in touch to receive more information from CQUniversity, or Book a Conversation with one of our dedicated team.

Find out more – <https://www.cqu.edu.au/courses/future-students/future-study-options/high-school-to-uni/year-12-uni-toolkit>

Macquarie University Q&A Series

Did you miss one of Macquarie University Webinars? You can now watch all 17 of the recordings on YouTube!

The virtual Q&A series gave parents and high school students the chance to ask our student ambassadors any questions, live! Topics included early entry, adjustment factors, accommodation, uni life, scholarships and courses you can study.

Watch the recordings here: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLcvEM-D1EF1ufdDuUich9r_3t7fkjkjPW

New Pathways to La Trobe

La Trobe University has announced that they are now offering two new pathways to study – Achieve at La Trobe and Prepare at La Trobe.

Through the two pathways, Year 12 students get the opportunity to study either full or micro subjects at La Trobe. Once you've finished, you can either use the results from your subjects or your ATAR for admission – whichever is higher.

Find out more about the new pathways here:

<https://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/apply/pathways/undergrad>

Changes to the Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Medical) at La Trobe

The Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Medical) provides a pathway into the graduate entry Doctor of Medicine offered by the University of Melbourne in Shepparton for regional students intending to practice medicine in a regional location.

La Trobe has made some changes to the degree to make entry less stressful for Year 12 students. Some of the changes include:

- The raw minimum ATAR for this course has been lowered from 85 to 80.
- The weighted average mark (WAM) that students need to secure a place in the University of Melbourne's Doctor of Medicine Rural Pathway, has been reduced from 75 to 70.
- Multiple mini interviews (MMI) are conducted as part of the course selection process.
- The course is now included in the [Regional Benefits Scholarship program](#).
- The course is now part of the Aspire Early Admissions Program. Note that although it is included, it only guarantees a place at the MMI in January.

Find out more about the changes here: <https://career-practitioner.blogs.latrobe.edu.au/course-update-bachelor-of-biomedical-science-medical/>

Free TAFE in VIC

Are you thinking about studying a VET qualification when you leave high school? The Victorian Government offers free TAFE courses in high priority areas.

To be eligible for free TAFE, you must be an Australian or New Zealand citizen under the age of 20. If you are over 20, obtaining a qualification with a higher level than any qualification you already have.

You can start your course at any time throughout the year, and some courses can also be studied online.

The course you choose also needs to be in a high priority area. These courses are decided by the Government and can change each year. Take a look at the list of current priority courses on the [Government website here](#).

Some of the courses currently offered for free include:

- [Diploma of Accounting](#)
- [Certificate IV in Agriculture](#)
- [Diploma of Building and Construction \(Building\)](#)
- [Certificate III in Commercial Cookery](#)
- [Certificate IV in Cyber Security](#)
- [Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care](#)
- [Diploma of Justice](#)
- [Diploma of Nursing](#)
- [Certificate III in Horticulture](#)

- [Certificate IV in Mental Health](#)

There are also a variety of pre-apprenticeship courses offered for free to help you prepare for your future career, such as:

- [Certificate II in Automotive Servicing Technology](#)
- [Certificate II in Baking](#)
- [Certificate II in Electrotechnology \(Pre-vocational\)](#)
- [Certificate II in Engineering Studies](#)
- [Certificate II in Furniture Making](#)
- [Certificate II in Horticulture](#)
- [Certificate II in Meat Processing \(Food Services\)](#)
- [Certificate II in Plumbing Pre-apprenticeship](#)
- [Certificate II in Printing and Graphic Arts \(General\)](#)
- [Certificate II in Salon Assistant](#)

To apply for a free TAFE course, just follow these steps:

1. Find a course you'd like to study
2. Find somewhere to study it
 - You can find providers on the [Victorian Government website](#)

Free means the Victorian Government will cover the full cost of training in a high priority qualification, so eligible students don't contribute to training fees. However, you still might have to pay for costs such as textbooks and equipment.

Read more about free TAFE in Victoria here: <https://www.vic.gov.au/free-tafe>

Resources

[Lattitude Global Volunteering – Apply for 2021](#)

Looking for something different to do in your gap year?

Lattitude Global Volunteering gives you the opportunity to experience life in a different country, all while helping in the community.

They are still taking applications for their programs in Australia, Canada, Ghana, Greece, New Zealand, Poland, Spain, and the UK. You can volunteer in the community, help kids learn in schools, be a medical assistant, a language coach, and so much more.

Find out about what's happening and the programs available here:

<https://lattice.org/departure-list/>

[Bored? Listen to a Podcast](#)

If you're looking for something to do that's fun, and can help you learn something new, a podcast is a great choice.

You can find podcasts on almost any topic, from arts and sciences, to crime and business. You can have a book read to you, get tips on your health and wellbeing, or just chill out and relax. Here's a list of podcasts recommended by other teens and young people to get you started: <https://www.screenagersmovie.com/tech-talk-tuesdays/22-podcasts-kids-and-teens-are-listening-to-right-now>

CQUni | Let's talk about ATAR

Like most students, you might have a lot of questions about what an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) is and what it means for you. Your ATAR is only one of many entry pathway options that will help you study the course you want at university. The great thing about CQUni is that we have plenty of options and pathways for everyone!

We've put together a quick video to explain the ATAR and answer some of the most frequently asked questions. To find out more, you can also contact your Tertiary Admissions Centre (TAC). Still have questions about studying at CQUni? Make sure you keep in touch to receive more information from us, or book a conversation with one of our dedicated team members.

Find out more: <https://www.cqu.edu.au/courses/future-students/future-study-options/high-school-to-uni/resources-for-teachers/atar-information>

Your Mental Health Matters

We have all been going through a pretty tough time lately. If you're finding that you feel anxious, sad, angry or frustrated, it's important to remember that you're not alone.

In fact, according to [Orygen Research's latest survey](#), up to 80% of young people reported that their studies had been affected in the past year by issues such as stress, lack of energy, anxiety, and panic.

Remember that there are plenty of resources out there that can help you through times like these. We've gathered some here that you might want to take a look at.

- Headspace – they have great resources for [young people](#) and [Indigenous students](#)
- R U OK? – a [“Mateship Manual”](#) to help you support your friends going through stressful times
- Beyond Blue – more [important resources](#) for young people
- MyCompass – an [easy tool you can use](#) to self-assess your mental health and find ways to deal with any problems
- ReachOut – they have some great resources for both [students](#) and [their parents](#)

Don't forget, it's okay to reach out to the people around you, including your friends, family and teachers.

Job Spotlight

How to become a Costume Designer

What do Costume Designers do?

Costume Designers design and create costumes for actors in film, television and on stage. They enhance authenticity and encourage imagination by creating costumes accurate to individual settings and time periods.

Costume Designers also design costumes for fancy dress and specific events (e.g. Halloween) and sold in retail outlets.

Are you creative with an eye for detail and work well under pressure? A career as a costume designer could be perfect for you.

About you:

- Artistic with good colour and design sense
- Knowledge of fashion, pattern making and sewing
- Works to strict deadlines and thrives under pressure

The job:

- Work with customers or directors to determine the style of costumes and budget
- Research to ensure you get the details right
- Take accurate measurements and prepare materials for production
- Undertake or supervise the creation, alteration, and repair of costumes

Costume Designer salary in Australia (average) \$61,380 per year

(Source: [payscale.com](https://www.payscale.com))

As with most careers, pay varies with time and experience. Some costume designers can earn up to \$123,000 a year (source: [payscale.com](https://www.payscale.com)).

Job growth in costume design is stable (source: [joboutlook.gov.au](https://www.joboutlook.gov.au))

If you'd like to be competitive in this field, you should get as much work experience as possible, be prepared to move and travel a lot, and keep your knowledge up to date.

How to become a Costume Designer in Australia

A degree isn't essential for entry to this career, but some formal training may be preferred by employers unless you have an amazing resume and portfolio of your works.

Step 1 – Study English, Maths and any creative classes that inspire you at high school.

Step 2 – Get relevant work experience by volunteering at your local theatre or film company.

Step 3 – Choose and complete a relevant qualification. Consider VET pathways. Examples include:

- [Bachelor of Fine Arts \(Design for Performance\)](#) from NIDA
- [Bachelor of Fine Arts \(Design and Production\)](#) from the University of Melbourne
- [Certificate III in Applied Fashion Design and Technology](#) from TAFE QLD

Step 4 – Find an internship or mentor and gain further work experience. Make useful industry contacts and keep an up to date portfolio of your works.

Step 5 – Continue to build on your skills through professional experience and short courses.

Find out more here –

<https://www.design.org.au/>

Similar Careers to Costume Designer

[Fashion Stylist](#)

[Event Planner](#)

[Interior Designer](#)

[Makeup artist](#)

[Food Stylist](#)

Location Scout

Corporate Stylist

[Visual Merchandiser](#)

Set Designer

[Photographer](#)

Find out more about [alternative careers](#).

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- **How long does it take to become a Costume Designer?**

Becoming a costume designer could take 4 to 5 years after leaving high school if you do a degree. Otherwise you could start in a junior role as soon as you leave school and work your way up.

- **Where do Costume Designers work?**

Costume designers work as part of a team for theatre and film companies, television stations, and video production houses – often working alongside the director, make-up artists, set designers and other creatives. You could find yourself working on set, backstage, in an office, or in a workshop.

- **Do I need to go to university to become a Costume Designer?**

No, you don't have to go to university. But relevant qualifications and lots of work experience could fast track your career and open up more opportunities.

- **Is Costume Designer a good career to aim for?**

If you love the creative arts and would like a career that could be flexible and varied, costume design could be a rewarding career for you.

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