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A must for yr 10 – 12
students. See www.vtac.edu.au
for full listing

1. MELBOURNE CAREER EXPO -
The Herald Sun Melbourne Career Expo is an education, training & employment
exhibition, showcasing tertiary institutions, training colleges, employers and government
initiatives. When: 10am-4pm, Sat 25 & Sun 26 July; Where: Melbourne Exhibition
Centre, Clarendon St, Southbank; Cost: $6
(cons), $12 (general), free (u/13); Info:

2. NEW JOURNALISM DEGREE -
Swinburne (Hawthorn) is offering a Bachelor
of Arts (Journalism) in 2010. The media
environment has undergone change, leading
to the redefinition of what journalism is and
what journalists do. Combining traditional
and new journalistic skills, this course aims
to equip you to work as a journalist now and
in the future. You will gain conventional
journalistic knowledge like clear
communication, research skills, media
law/journalistic ethics, and skills in
independent web-based publications,
digital production, social networking and
community building. Career outcomes:
journalism/new media/publishing/media
research/writing/communications/content
production/multimedia (opportunities in TV,
radio, news agencies and magazines).

3. WHY BECOME A DOCTOR?
Good reasons given at a recent career
counsellors’ conference at Melbourne Uni
were: you are interested in people,
you have a commitment to life-long learning,
you are interested in biological sciences,
you desire a career that is more than just a
job. Poor reasons given were: you love Dr
House and ER, you want to be rich, your
parents or grandparents want you to be a
doctor or because you receive an ENTER of
99.90. The only university in Victoria now
offering a school-leaver medical degree is
Monash (Clayton). Melbourne, Deakin and
Monash (Gippsland) universities offer post-
graduate courses. Entry requirements vary -
some are quite prescriptive; eg Melbourne
requires prior knowledge of anatomy,
physiology and biochemistry (gained, for
example, in the Bachelor of Science or
Biomedicine or another degree where
breadth subjects could cover pre-
requisites). Selection to Melbourne is based
on undergraduate Grade Point Average
(GPA), test results (GAMSAT) and a multi-
mini interview (www.medicine.unimelb.edu.au).
Deakin will consider applicants from a
variety of undergraduate backgrounds, also
using the GPA, GAMSAT and interview.
NOTE: Many medicine applicants apply
interstate to increase their chance of
obtaining a place.

4. WANT TO FIND OUT
ABOUT MONASH? ‘Experience
Monash’ gives Year 10-12 students the
chance to find out about courses offered,
get a taste of what it is like to study at
Monash, see the facilities and participate in
workshops (choose from areas like
nanotechnology, journalism, computer games,
engineering and law). Attend presentations
on managing transition to uni, parent
info session and tours. When: 10am-3.15pm,
7 July; Where: Clayton; Info/registration:
www.monash.edu/study/events/experience.

5. WORK EXPERIENCE. Our yr 10s
did a tremendous job over the last week of
term and over the holiday break. It was
wonderful to see how many embraced the
opportunity to extend their learning beyond
the classroom and further, take
responsibility on the job!! See the SBC
careers website for an album of photos,
taken on work experience visits.

6. ICT CAREERS DAY. Any student
with a strong interest in IT should attend
this day. It is held at Melbourne High School
on Saturday 1 August 10AM-3PM.

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