OPEN DAY REMINDER – vital for year 12s, highly recommended for 10s and 11s.
- Sun 7 Aug – La Trobe Uni (Melbourne);
- Monash Uni (Caulfield, Clayton, Parkville);
- William Angliss TAFE
- Sun 14 Aug – Australian Catholic Uni (ACU) (Melbourne);
- RMIT (University and TAFE)
- Sun 21 Aug – Uni of Melbourne;
- Swinburne (Hawthorn, Lilydale and Prahran)
- Sun 28 Aug - Deakin Uni (Burwood)

Students are reminded to bring open day questions (student resources) and review open day guide online – before they attend. All 10s and 11s are encourage to attend at least one open day.

SUBJECT SELECTION INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS – once students have attended a group subject selection session with myself (10s ending this week, 11s ending next week) students and parents can request an individual careers appointment.

HERALD SUN CAREERS EXPO REMINDER – free tickets from front reception. This weekend.

EXPLORE CAREERS IN PUBLIC RELATIONS AND ADVERTISING - Get an up-to-date overview of these industries, and the employment opportunities by attending careers days at RMIT. Students interested in pursuing careers in either of these areas are encouraged to attend. When: Advertising:
- 10am-3pm, Sat 27 Aug;
- Public Relations: 10am-3pm, Sat 10 Sept; Cost: $55 (incl lunch); Building 108, level 9, lecture theatre 16, 239 Bourke St; Info: 9925 8111, businessevents@rmit.edu.au. See: www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au.

AUSTRALIAN JOBS – There are 19 broad industries in Australia. The largest are Health Care and Social Assistance and Retail Trade which employ 1.3mil and 1.2 mil workers respectively. Construction and Manufacturing are also large employing industries, with around 1 million workers each. These four industries combined employ two in every five Australian workers. Although Mining had the largest percentage rise in employment over the five years to Nov 2010, it had only the eighth largest number of new jobs, reflecting its small employment size. Employment in Manufacturing fell over the five years to Nov 2010 but there are still nearly five times more workers employed in this industry than in Mining. Both these industries create thousands of jobs in other industries as well like Transport, Postal and Warehousing, Professional, Scientific and Technical Services and Construction.

So where are the new jobs? Over the five years to Nov 2010 more than 1.3m jobs were created. Growth was in: Health Care and Social Assistance (up 275,200), Construction (179,400), Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (136,100), Education and Training (120,800) and Transport, Postal and Warehousing (84,000).

Which Industries are declining? Manufacturing (down 33,800) and Information, Media and Telecommunications (23,700).


SO YOU WANT TO STUDY MEDICINE? Competition for places in medical degrees is fierce. To improve your chances of obtaining a place you need to be aware of your options and apply widely. There are four medical degrees offered in Victoria. Monash University is the only one offering an undergraduate degree. Applicants for this degree must be current Year 12 students or have completed VCE or equivalent no more than two years previously and have not undertaken any tertiary study since. Selection is based on results in the Undergraduate Medical and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT), the MMI (Multiple Mini Interview) and ATAR. Prerequisite VCE subjects are English and chemistry. Three graduate entry medical degrees are offered, at Monash (Gippsland), Deakin (Geelong) and Melbourne universities. Entry to these degrees requires (at least) completion of an undergraduate degree, sitting for the Graduate Australian Medical School Admission Test (GAMSAT – www.gamsat.edu.au) and an interview. Many applicants for medicine apply for interstate universities as well to improve their chance of
obtaining a place; some apply for the University of Otago in Dunedin, NZ, as its medical degree is recognised in Australia.

4. **DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A TEACHER?** If so, do you want to be an Early Childhood teacher, a primary school teacher, a secondary teacher? If you can’t decide there are sometimes ways to become qualified in two of these areas, thus keeping options open. Some Primary Teaching degrees can qualify you as an Early Childhood teacher as well (eg ACU’s Early Childhood and Primary Degree at Melbourne and Ballarat, RMIT’s Bachelor of Education or VU’s Early Childhood/Primary degree at St Albans). Another option is to qualify to teach **Prep through to Year 10**.

- **NOTE:** VU already offers a P-12 course at Footscray and St Albans campuses and Ballarat Uni offers a P-10 course. If you decide to become a secondary teacher you need to be qualified to teach **two school subjects** (eg history and English, maths and science, PE and health). Your degree subjects will need to be chosen with this requirement in mind.

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