CAREERS NEWS AUGUST #2, 2014

OPEN DAY REMINDERS
Sun 24 Aug Deakin (Melbourne), La Trobe (Melbourne), VU
Sun 31 Aug ACU (Ballarat), Federation Uni (Ballarat & Gippsland)

YEAR 12 VTAC APPLICATIONS – all year 12s intending to apply for a tertiary course are expected to attend a VTAC application session, running this week. After this, students are encouraged to make another individual appointment, if required.

‘WHERE GRADUATES GO’ – Decisions about higher education are some of the biggest you will make. Where Grads Go is dedicated to helping you make informed choices by providing the latest information. Figures here are from the 2013 Australian Graduate Survey, conducted by Graduate Careers Australia. In 2013, the average bachelor graduate earned a full-time salary of $55,000. Examples: engineering - $65,000; medicine - $60,000; education - $57,000; nursing - $52,000; social work and welfare - $55,000; visual and performing arts - $40,000. Getting a job after graduation can be a different matter. In 2013, full time employment of graduates was as follows (four months after graduating): in engineering: 82.6%; medicine: 96.9%; education: 70.8%; banking/finance: 75.4%; psychology/behavioural sciences: 56%; law/justice: 75.4%; visual/performing arts: 48.3%. In some fields (eg engineering, nursing), most graduates work in the field they trained for. Graduates of other fields often find work in a wide variety of jobs. Additionally, Postgraduate study can lead to a higher salary and more likely employment. See: www.graduatecareers.com.au, www.graduateopportunities.com.

NEW MEDICAL IMAGING DEGREE – Deakin is offering Medical Imaging from 2015 at its Geelong (Waurn Ponds) campus. Medical imaging (sometimes known as Medical Diagnostic Radiography) is the production of high quality images of the structure and function of the body to assist medical diagnosis and decision making. Radiographers play a pivotal role in medicine and health care, contributing to improving patient outcomes. They work with doctors and allied health professionals. The university is seeking accreditation with the Australian Health Practitioner Agency (AHPRA), with statutory direction provided by the Medical Radiation Practice Board of Australia (MRPBA). Salaries range from $41,000 to $115,000 plus, depending on your position, experience, chosen work area and possible future study. Pre-requisites: 3/4 English; biology, physics or chemistry; maths methods or spec maths. Info: ph 03 9251 7777; health-enquire@deakin.edu.au.

DEFENCE FORCE INFORMATION SESSIONS – To find out more about defence force jobs, attend one of these sessions: 1 Sept – ADF Technical Trades; 2 Sept – Engineering Information Session; 3 Sept – Army 1 Year Roles; 10 Sept – ADFA Information Session; 17 Sept – Royal Military College; 23 Sept – Army Reserve; 24 Sept – Women in Defence. All 6-7pm. Where: Defence Force Recruiting, Level 14, 501 Swanton St, Melbourne; RSVP: CPTVIC@dfr.com.au (date/session/number of seats).
RMIT NUCLEAR MEDICINE LAB VISITS – This program is for students interested in finding out more about nuclear medicine and the role of nuclear medicine technologists in the investigation, diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of disease. In this full day tour, students will visit nuclear medicine departments that support the Bachelor of Applied Science (Medical Radiations) programs. **When:** 25 and 26 Sept; **Info/registration:** 9925 7075, medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS – The Department of Health (Victoria) is offering five scholarships of $10,000 for **nuclear medicine students** commencing the RMIT Bachelor of Applied Health (Medical Radiations) in 2015 and 2016. **Info:** [www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/nuclear](http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/nuclear).

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