Accessing VCE Results via SMS

Students must pre-register if they wish to receive their results by text message. To pre-register students will need to send a message to 19 787 888 with their VCE student number (just the eight digit number, not including the letter on the end) then a space and then their PIN (4 digits).

- **Non-Year 12 students:** The PIN is the first four digits of their date of birth
e.g. 21 November = 2111.
- **Year 12 students:** The PIN is the first four digits of their date of birth
e.g. 21 November = 2111 unless students changed their PIN online as was recommended.

This SMS will cost $1.10 max (incl. GST). Students must send this message from the mobile number they want the results delivered to. **Registrations open at 9.00am on Monday 9 November and will close at 12 midnight on Sunday 13 December** and the results and ATAR will then be sent to the registered mobile number at approximately **7.00am Monday 14 December 2015**.

**Students who will be overseas as this time should not register to have their results sent by SMS, but rather access them on the internet.**

Students encountering problems should please contact the helpline on 1800 501 083. Instructions on registering for SMS are also available on the VTAC website at

Year 12 students who have paid their VTAC fees will receive a copy of their ATAR statement through the post commencing Tuesday 15 December 2015.

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**Academy of Design Open Day**

The Academy of Design is holding an Open Day in December and there will also be a range of free workshops for students to attend. Registration is required.

**Date:** Thursday 3 December 2015
**Time:** 3.00pm - 7.00pm
**Where:** 220 Ingles Street, Port Melbourne

To register, visit [Academy of Design](#)
VCA & MCM Summer School Program

Focussed on developing a broad range of techniques, the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA) & Melbourne Conservatorium of Music’s (MCM) Summer School courses are perfect for extending skills for VCE, preparing students for undergraduate studies, having a great time and learning something that students are passionate about.

Taught by leading industry experts, the Summer Schools are a great way to deepen understanding, grow confidence and have fun. Students interested in Theatre, Music Theatre, Film & TV, Pop Song Writing, Dance, Musicianship, Visual Art and Gaming may like to consider attending.

Summer Schools are either three or five days long and take place within the two weeks of Monday 11 January to Friday 22 January 2016. Find out more at VCA & MCM Short Courses

Prosthetics and Orthotics at La Trobe University

La Trobe University is one of only three universities in the world offering a qualification in Prosthetics and Orthotics – the Bachelor of Applied Science and Master of Clinical Prosthetics and Orthotics. This course offers practical experience, and is the only course of its kind in the Asia-Pacific region with institutions in Scotland and Sweden offering a similar program. Prosthetics and orthotics are clinical disciplines that deal with artificial limbs (prostheses) for people with amputations and supportive devices (orthoses) for people with musculoskeletal weakness or neurological disorders. Students study anatomy, physiology, biomechanics, prosthetic and orthotic prescription, and design and fabrication. They also develop strong practical skills in research methodology, clinical assessment and the application of prosthetic and orthotic techniques. Clinical placements make up a very important part of the program. All students enrolled in the Bachelor of Health Sciences and Master of Clinical Prosthetics and Orthotics will undertake education at a clinical school during the fourth year of the course over a period of 16 weeks. In addition, a professional placement program of 16 weeks full time duration will be undertaken in the final 12 months.

A professional education placement component of the program may need to be undertaken interstate. There is also an option for some students to undertake their placement overseas.

VCE requirements are Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL; and a study score of at least 25 in two of Biology, Chemistry, any Mathematics, Physical Education or Physics. Find out more at Prosthetics & Orthotics

Career in the Police Force

Being a police officer no ordinary job! In fact, it is rather an extraordinary career. Those interested in being a part of a dynamic organisation that is dedicated to making Victoria a safer place to work and live, and who is looking to make a difference every day of their working lives, might like to visit Police Careers and find out more about the range of careers, as well as the application requirements.

Students often enquire about the physical requirements they need to enter the police force. Watch a YouTube video here to find out more. Other YouTube videos regarding the Victoria Police are available at VPBlueTube
Diploma Courses
La Trobe College of Art & Design is a small college in the centre of Melbourne offering specialised courses in visual art, digital media and design.

In the Diploma of Visual Art, students develop a range of technical and conceptual strategies in art making whilst developing an individual direction. Students undertake subjects in studio art, painting methods, sculpture, drawing and contemporary art theory, along with photography, and digital media.

In the Diploma of Graphic Design, students gain an understanding of fundamental design practices including concept development, typography, layout design and creative thinking.

For more information about the application process and selection criteria visit La Trobe College of Art & Design

Australian Youth Humanities Forum
The Australian Youth Humanities Forum offers a humanities counterpart to the National Youth Science Forum. Hosted by the University of Melbourne, the Forum is part a festival of ideas, part careers fair and aims to re-imagine the role of the humanities in the future. It will bring together 130 students entering Years 11 and 12 in 2016, current undergraduate students in the arts from universities around Melbourne, and professionals working in humanities-related fields for two full days of guest lectures, interactive tutorials and round table discussions.

The Forum will address a substantial need affecting many VCE students. Future Arts students often state a desire to make some kind of social contribution after graduation but lack knowledge about how they can use degrees in the humanities to build careers which effect social change. By setting sessions devoted to the career pathways of humanities-trained professionals alongside prominent speakers’ reflections on the humanities in community life, the forum aims to equip participants with both practical information and civic inspiration.

Date: Wednesday 20 & Thursday 21 January 2016
Venue: The University of Melbourne
Registrations: Registrations close on 20 November 2015

To find out more and/or to register to attend, visit Australian Youth Humanities Forum.

Labour Market Information Portal
The Labour Market Information Portal provides up-to-date information about our local labour market. It provides information at the national, State and regional level on:

- Unemployment and participation rates
- Employment by industry and occupation
- Centrelink and Job Services Australia customer populations

All data are presented with maps and can be viewed as charts or tables. Visit Labour Market
Bachelor of Oral Health (Therapy/Hygiene)

Oral health therapists diagnose dental decay and gum diseases, and work in collaboration with dentists to provide oral health care for children and adults, and also help to promote oral health and preventive dental practices among school children and the broader community.

The Bachelor of Oral Health is a 3 year Charles Sturt University (CSU) degree offered at Holmesglen Institute’s Chadstone campus with the third year delivered in Wagga Wagga. On completion of this program, students will be eligible to register with AHPRA as a registered Oral Health Therapist.

For more information visit Bachelor of Oral Health or call (03) 9564 1920.

News from Monash University

Profiling: Bachelor of International Business

The Bachelor of International Business offered at the city campus is regarded as a degree with a difference. Some quick facts include:

- Complete a three year business degree in two years
- 3 trimesters a year
- Flipped classroom teaching style
- Work integrated learning based degree
- More contact with lecturers
- Guaranteed industry placement or study abroad option
- Study in a real-world business environment
- Choose International Business or Accounting sequence
- Designed for students who want to start their business career sooner
- Monash Business School is in the top 1% of business schools globally and has achieved ‘triple crown’ accreditation

Find out more at Bachelor of International Business

Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

A pathway to pharmacy for students and science graduates

Students who do not meet the entry requirements to enter the Bachelor of Pharmacy directly from Year 12 may be able to enter the Pharmacy program at third year as graduates of science-based degrees. This entry point means that graduates wanting to become pharmacists will no longer need to commence their studies at first year level and will qualify for their pharmacy degree in just two years.

Students who have successfully completed an approved degree with a 70%+ GPA in the following disciplines may be eligible to apply:

- pharmaceutical science
- biomedical science
- biomedicine
- science

For more information, please visit Pathway to Pharmacy
Advanced Diploma of Justice

The Advanced Diploma of Justice is a 2-year course providing training for students interested in a career in the justice sector within the Victoria Police, community corrections, customs, local government departments, the court system, youth justice and other related agencies.

Holmesglen has a unique partnership with the Victorian Police Academy. Students participate in a role playing program (playing victims and/or offenders) at the Academy in Glen Waverley, and this is particularly beneficial to students interested in a career with the Victoria Police.

Over the 2-year course, students get to cover a variety of subjects including Criminal Law, Criminology, Family Violence, Human Rights, Justice Administration, Justice and law enforcement, Legal studies, Police studies, Psychology, Sociology.

To find out more, visit Advanced Diploma of Justice

Work Experience at Austin Health in 2016

Each year Austin Health places secondary school students from within the local community for work experience. This provides an opportunity to promote health professions to the youth of today who may become your workforce in the future. It also gives students the chance to observe a workplace and learn about the jobs available within the Health industry. This assists these individuals as it helps them to decide which career path suits them best. The Work Experience program is typically aimed at Year 10 students and placements are usually one week long.

Applications have opened and students should note that placements are allocated on a "first come, first served" basis, and unfortunately not all departments are able to offer placements and not all weeks are available.

Further information and an application form are available at Austin Health Work Experience.

Employability Skills

As defined by the Department of Education, the eight employability skills are skills that are relevant to employers across a variety of jobs and careers. In addition to strong academic results, these are skills employers look for in graduates and future employees. Developing these skills and being able to refer to them in job applications and interviews provides a distinct advantage and may help students gain employment and succeed in the workplace.

The eight employability skills are:

- Communication
- Teamwork
- Problem Solving
- Initiative and Enterprise
- Planning and Organizing
- Self-Management
- Learning
- Technology

For more information, including examples on how to develop each of these skills, visit Employability Skills.