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"IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING
AND HAVING HIGH EXPECTATIONS
OF OURSELVES AND EACH OTHER"

Dear members of the St Columba's
Community

"It's all about learning and having high expectations of ourselves and each other".

It's called work for a reason.

Parents, I cannot stress enough the importance of attendance for every student on every school day. Too often some students give their parents the impression that it matters little if they take a couple of days off.

As you know, learning requires hard work and a commitment to routine. This demands of every student the realisation that, nothing is achieved without effort.

Aristotle said "that happiness comes from activity, both physical and mental". We're happy when we can take pride in what we can do well. If we miss out on the joy of work we miss out on an important part of life. Believe it or not, doing a job well, cheerfully, willingly and with pride is one of the greatest pleasures we can enjoy.

Life, happiness, prosperity and success all take effort.

The "best kept" secret in life is that, if you decide what you want and then work hard to achieve it, the odds are excellent that you will be successful.

After all, it's called work for a reason.

All rights come with responsibilities.

I am becoming increasingly concerned with the way some students are speaking to their peers. Some students seem to think that swearing is an acceptable form of communication and are often oblivious to the impact crude and disgusting language has on most people.

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At a recent assembly, I spoke to the students about this, and reminded them that **'respect is not earned, it is given'**, and that when students use inappropriate language, they lower their dignity as a human being.

Parents, it should not surprise any one of you that inappropriate language and disrespect have become seemingly acceptable practices by so many of our young and not so young people, particularly when images of people openly defying our Police, are so often portrayed on our television screens, or the fact that so many people believe that they have the right to express their opinions, whenever and to whom ever, happens to be in their 'firing range'. Too many people whether they are young or old misunderstand that all rights come with responsibilities. Unfortunately, most people seem to think that a person's rights give them the license to say and do whatever they want.

These misguided beliefs and practices must be challenged whenever they arise by each one of us. Here at the College, it will never be acceptable for any student to speak or act disrespectfully to any person and any student who behaves in this way must accept the consequences of their decision to act so inappropriately

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'The two lions.'

A wise teacher was educating his students about human nature.

He told them, 'a battle is going on within me. It's a dreadful battle and it's between two great lions. One lion is wicked; he is fear, rage, jealousy, sadness, greed, pride, self-pity, shame, hatred, weakness, lies, disrespect, laziness and superiority. The other lion is good; he is happiness, harmony, love, respect, trust, sharing, peace, compassion, friendship, understanding, generosity, truth, kindness and loyalty.

The teacher said to the students that 'this same battle is going on inside you and inside every other person as well.'

The students considered his words and then one asked the teacher, 'which lion will win?'

The teacher replied thoughtfully, 'the one you feed the most.'

May God bless you always,

Mr Paul Ryan
Principal.



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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Creative Arts and TAS Showcase Evening

Congratulations to our Year 12 Drama, Music, Visual Arts, Photography Video and Digital Imaging, and Industrial Technology Timber students and their teachers for an outstanding display of HSC Performances, Bodies of Work and Major Projects last Wednesday evening at our annual Creative Arts and TAS Showcase Evening. These works are completed by students as part of the HSC examination in each of these courses, and constitute the practical component of each course. Well Done to our Year 10 Food Technology students who provided a delicious selection of food and refreshments, and for presenting this with the highest degree of professionalism. Thank you to all students, parents and visitors who came along and supported the work of our HSC students.

Congratulations Grace Butler- Year 12 Drama

It is with great pleasure that we announce that Grace Butler in Year 12 Drama has been nominated for OnSTAGE 2019 for her Individual Performance. OnSTAGE features outstanding HSC Drama performances and projects for the Higher School Certificate from students all over NSW each year. A nomination for OnSTAGE is an exemplary achievement and we congratulate Grace for this accomplishment.

Bullying Survey

Students in Years 7-11 will be completing Bullying Surveys this week. The Bullying Surveys provide an anonymous opportunity for students to disclose information about whether they or someone they know has experienced bullying since the last time the survey was completed in Term 1. This is a proactive measure to ensure students always feel safe at the College. All information provided by students is investigated thoroughly. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact your child's Leader of Missi
<https://bullyingnoway.gov.au>



Attendance

As we come towards the end of the term, it is imperative to remind students about the importance of attending school each and every day. Every day of attendance adds to a student's achievement and success at school. Learning will not be slowing down as we come to the close of the term. Please ensure your child is in attendance at school.

every learner
every day

Head of Learning- Ms Chelsea Gawthorne

It was with sadness that we farewelled Mr Shane Watson, Head of Learning last week after 21 years of association with the College. Mr Watson will be taking on new adventures in the world of business and we wish him and his family every blessing as they embark on this. Ms Chelsea Gawthorne has been appointed as our new Head of Learning. Please contact Ms Gawthorne at the College if you have matters to discuss about your child's learning.



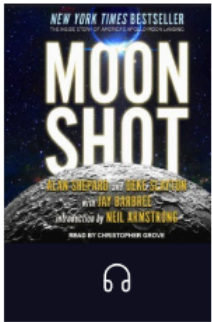
Ms Muscat & Mr Gawthorne Assistant Principals



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FROM THE LIBRARY

<p><u>Secondary Schools</u></p>  <p>Suitable for years 9 - 12</p>	<p>eBook Link: http://bit.ly/2lxqQnK</p> 		<p>Title: Moonshot Creator: Alan Shepard, Deke Slayton, Jay Barbaree & Neil Armstrong</p> <p>Blurb: On October 4, 1957, the Soviet Union launched Sputnik I, and the space race was born. Desperate to beat the Russians into space, NASA put together a crew of the nation's most daring test pilots: the seven men who were to lead America to the moon. The first into space was Alan Shepard; the last was Deke Slayton, whose irregular heartbeat kept him grounded until 1975. They spent the 1960s at the forefront of NASA's effort to conquer space, and Moon Shot is their inside account of what many call the twentieth century's greatest feat-landing humans on another world.</p>
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Great news! St Columba's will begin a new subscription to *World Book Online* from Term 4, 2019. All log-in and home access details will be provided to students in Week 1.

World Book Online offers a progressive suite of digital databases with unique, educational content and features for users of every age, ability, and interest. These intuitive databases include all the articles from *The World Book Encyclopedia*, a wealth of multimedia, and features to help with each step of the research process along with supplemental tools, such as language translation, a citation builder, and text to speech.

The College subscription will include:

Student: expansive reference database and multimedia library including 360 degree videos. Includes translations and text to speech in over 100 languages. Other features include Behind the Headlines, links to magazine (EBSCO) articles, back in time articles, a built in dictionary and atlas, a citation builder and research tools.

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Advanced: integrates primary & secondary sources plus more than 5,500 online ebooks in a single search. Includes links to external websites, Government websites, world newspapers, teaching with documents and pathfinders.

Timelines: 650 timelines including Gallipoli, World War 1 and 11, Major Disasters, Classical Music, Rock Music, History of Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Harry Potter, Star Wars and Australian literature. Edit or create your own Timelines.



Make a Meme

What makes a meme? We'll look at viral images, GIFs & videos, then brainstorm ideas to design & create our own digital or traditional-style artwork meme.

Tuesday October 1

@ Blaxland Library

2pm - 3:30pm

11yrs - 16yrs

\$ 6 per person



Bookings Essential



Ms Belinda Sefton
Teacher Librarian

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FROM THE OFFICE

SCHOOL FEES REMINDER

Thank you to the families who have finalised their third instalment of school fees for 2019. These fees were due on 28th August 2019.

Please be advised that unless alternative arrangements have been made regarding the payment of your account it will be assumed that full payment will be made on or before the due date. Fees are payable in accordance with the Diocesan School Fees Policy which states "all fees are due and payable within 30 days of the date the school account statement is issued". Outstanding accounts will be forwarded to Catholic Education Diocese, Parramatta, for actioning.

Catholic Education Diocese, Parramatta, is committed to supporting families experiencing genuine financial hardship. If you are having difficulties with the payment of your school fees, you are encouraged to contact the College office to arrange an appointment with either me or the Business Manager to discuss payment options. Your situation will be treated with care and confidentiality and an appropriate payment arrangement will be made for you. Please note that as part of this process you may be required to complete an Application for School Fees Assistance so that the College is aware of your current financial situation. Please be assured of **complete confidentiality** with regards to any information you are asked to provide.

Withdrawal of a Student: A full terms notice (10 x school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before a parent/guardian terminates the Student's enrolment. If sufficient notice of termination of the Student's enrolment is not given, the parent/guardian is to pay the School one term's school fees including any Diocesan Fees applicable. This amount reflects the School's financial loss associated with the Student's withdrawal without sufficient notice of termination. One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment.

Split Accounts: Please note that the College does not recognise 50/50 split of accounts. Enrolment signatories are joint and severally responsible for payment of fees. This means that both enrolment signatories are equally responsible for the payment of 100% of the total amount owing on the school fees account and not a proportion of it. If you have any questions regarding this, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sibling Discounts: Reconciliations to external sibling discounts are regularly conducted by CEDP. If your circumstances change regarding sibling discounts, please notify me immediately. Failure to do so could result in an increase in fees throughout the year and your current payment arrangement may not cover the balance of your account.



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If you need to discuss any issues regarding the school fees, please contact me by phone on 4754 8902 or by email rvion@parra.catholic.edu.au

School fees can be paid by Bpay, Postbillpay, cash, Direct Debit, EFTPOS, credit card or cheque.

Roselee Vion
Senior Officer – Finance and Fees

FROM THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 29 September. This year, the Australian Bishop's Social Justice Statement is titled: 'Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world'. It shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it.

For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Office for Social Justice Website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499. Order the Statement online at: bit.ly/socialjusticeshop Follow us on Facebook: @socialjusticeACBC or Twitter: @JusticeCatholic

UNIFORM SHOP

Term 4 is fast approaching now is the time to place your order for short sleeve shirts and shorts.

Please complete the order form and drop into the Student office payment box or email your order through to stcolumbasuniformshop@parra.catholic.edu.au

We also have navy socks in stock \$15 for a 3 pack.

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St Columba's Catholic College Uniform Shop Order Form

TUESDAYS only from 8am-2pm.

Telephone: 4754 8920

Email: stcolumbasuniformshop@parra.catholic.edu.au

Student's Name: _____ Homeroom: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Name/s: _____ Email Address: _____

	QTY	ITEM	SIZE	COST	TOTAL	OFFICE USE TAKEN	OFFICE USE LAYBY	OFFICE USE COMP
BOYS		Long Sleeve Junior Shirt (BLUE)		\$40.00				
		Long Sleeve Senior Shirt (WHITE)		\$40.00				
		Short Sleeve Junior Shirt (BLUE)		\$40.00				
		Short Sleeve Senior Shirt (WHITE)		\$40.00				
		Grey Trousers		\$55.00				
		Navy Shorts		\$45.00				
		Junior Tie		\$25.00				
		Senior Tie		\$25.00				
		Black Leather Belt (70cm,75cm,80cm,85cm,90cm,95cm)		\$20.00				
GIRLS		Blouse Junior (BLUE)		\$42.00				
		Blouse Senior (WHITE)		\$48.00				
		Skirt		\$67.00				
		Tights Mids / Talls / ExtraTalls		\$7.00				
UNISEX		Blazer		\$190.00				
		Wool Jumper		\$85.00				
		Cotton Jumper		\$75.00				
SPORT		Polo Shirt (Navy or White)		\$45.00				
		Shorts		\$35.00				
		Track jacket (size 10,12,14,16,S,M,L,XL)		\$90.00				
		Track pant (size 10,12,14,16,S,M,L,XL)		\$60.00				
EXTRA ITEMS		Baseball Cap – Cotton		\$3.00				
		Bucket Hat S/M L/XL		\$10.00				
		College Bag Chiropractic (Small)	S	\$80.00				
		College Bag Chiropractic (Medium)	M	\$90.00				
		Calculator (Sharp)		\$25.00				
		Food Tech - APRON		\$14.00				
		Food Tech - CAP		\$6.00				
		Science Goggles		\$6.00				
		Socks (Navy / White) 3 pack		\$15.00				
		Visual Arts Diary		\$10.00				
		Stationery Pack (Year 7)		\$40.00				
REP SPORT		Pre Loved Items						
		Football Shorts		\$27.00				
		Football Socks		\$15.00				
CASH	EFT	CHEQUE	TOTAL ORDER \$					

Prices as a Term 3, 2019 Subject to change without notice.

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Payment should be cash, cheque **made payable to St Columba's Catholic College** or credit card.

☐ **Cash:** Enclosed is \$_____ (*Exact amount only please*)

☐ **Cheque:** _____

☐ **Credit Card:**

Please charge \$_____ to credit card

Card Number:

Name on Card: _____ Expiry Date: /

RETURN COMPLETED ORDER FORM WITH PAYMENT TO THE STUDENT OFFICE

PAYMENT BOX

OR

EMAIL

stcolumbasuniformshop@parra.catholic.edu.au

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CAREERS NEWS

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University of Sydney - Sydney School of Architecture, Design and Planning Portfolio Day

12 October. 10am to 1pm

The Hearth, Level 2, Wilkinson Building, Camperdown/Darlington Campus

Register to have your portfolio reviewed by our academics and receive feedback on what it takes to create a successful submission.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/portfolio-day-2019-sydney-school-of-architecture-design-and-planning-tickets-69821884135>

University of Sydney - Economics and Business at Sydney

1 November. 4pm to 7pm

Abercrombie Building

Camperdown/Darlington Campus, Corner Abercrombie Street and Codrington Street

Learn more about the economics and business subject choices on offer, our world-class teaching, industry placements, admission pathways and scholarships.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/experience-economics-and-business-at-sydney-tickets-64158645235>

ANU - Undergraduate students

Studying at ANU means joining a community of inspired minds, working with some of the world's leading experts, choosing from Australia's widest range of flexible degree options and opening the door to opportunities that you never thought possible. Learn more about enrolling as an undergraduate student at ANU.

<https://www.anu.edu.au/study/information-for/undergraduate-students>

UTS Bachelor of Accounting Scholarship Program

Round 2 Interviews Closing Date - Friday 18 October 2019

Half day interviews on: Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13 & Friday 15 November 2019. These interviews are for applicants who are considering Bachelor of Accounting as a course preference after the close of on-time UAC applications.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/business/business-courses/undergraduate-programs/bachelor-accounting>

UNSW Elite Athletes, Performers and Leaders Program 2020 Open

Closes 30 November

The Elite Athletes, Performers and Leaders (EAPL) Program supports students with a flexible entry process that considers both academic and elite achievements and recognises these by awarding adjustment factors (more commonly known as bonus points).

Students can be considered for EAPL points for undergraduate study at UNSW. The EAPL Program awards up to five points to high school leavers who have excelled in areas of sport, academia, leadership, and/or music at an elite level. Activities and/or commitments must have been undertaken in years 11 and/or 12.

Note: An overall maximum of 10 points can be awarded across all the university's schemes (HSC Plus, EAPL and EAS)

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Students must submit an application and provide supporting documentation by November 30 each year to be considered for adjustment factors.

<https://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/adjustment-factors-eapl>

Tibra Capital Corporate Scholarship

Closes 30 November

Do you love Maths, Finance or Computer Science? Have you achieved an ATAR of 90 or above? Are you planning to study at the University of Wollongong? If yes, then you are eligible to apply for the Tibra Capital Corporate Scholarship valued at \$7,000.

The Tibra Capital Scholarship is offered to students that have achieved an ATAR of 90 or above and plan to study Mathematics, Finance or Computer Science in 2020. The aim of the scholarship is financially support high achieving students in their first year of university study at UOW.

Tibra Capital is a quantitative research and investment group specialising in equities trading, arbitrage, market making, and algorithmic trading. Locally founded in Austinmer in 2006, Tibra Capital has grown to be a global firm with an excess of 100 employees with offices in Wollongong, Sydney, London, Hong Kong and Dubai.

<https://scholarships.uow.edu.au/scholarships/search?scholarship=261>

The University of Melbourne Interstate Students Information Day

4 October. 8.30am to 6.00pm

Location: [Kenneth Myer Building](#), Parkville campus, University of Melbourne, Victoria 3000

Please note: Registrations usually close within a few days as we reach capacity quickly, so we recommend distributing this to your interested students as soon as possible.

The day will focus on aspects of the university that are of greater concern to interstate students such as the application process, scholarships, student services, accommodation options and financial assistance. Participants will have an opportunity to ask current University of Melbourne students who have come from interstate about their experience and how they managed the transition. The program will also include a campus tour followed by a free lunch at one of the residential colleges and further accommodation tours.

We hope you can pass this onto your students, so they and a guest can join us for the Interstate Information Day.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

https://study.unimelb.edu.au/connect-with-us/events-for-future-students/all-events-listing/interstate-student-information-day-october?utm_source=outlook&utm_medium=direct_mail&utm_campaign=OA_NM_2019_SR_F2F_UoM_InterstateDay_Oct

Reminder - Introduction to Actuarial Science

You may have heard of actuarial science, or you might even know an actuary, but do you know what an actuary does? During the course you'll hear from a wide variety of actuaries about their careers.



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And don't be scared that the course will be "just a whole lot of mathematics". Together, we will go beyond the math to learn how actuaries approach problems relating to risk, using examples from:

- Finance
- Investments
- Banking
- Insurance

You will learn how actuarial science applies mathematical and statistical methods to assess risk in these industries and other professions.

<https://www.edx.org/course/introduction-actuarial-science-anux-anu-actuarialx-1>

UAC News Update- ATARS released same day as HSC

ATAR's this year will be released at 1pm on **Tuesday 17 December** – the same day as HSC results.

Year 12 students will have all the information they need on the day to make their future study decisions and have more time to finalise their preferences for December Round 2 offers. This is the first major offer round for Year 12 students.

The deadline for finalising December Round 2 preferences is midnight on **Thursday 19 December** so be prepared.

Macquarie University Catchment Adjustment Factors (Note that St Columba's is not in this catchment)

If you qualify for adjustment factors, they are added to your selection rank and may improve your chances of receiving an offer for your preferred degree. Macquarie offers five additional adjustment factors to students who live in Macquarie's catchment region. These are called catchment adjustment factors. Use the tool below to check if your postcode qualifies. If you qualify, you will automatically receive five adjustment factors when you have a Macquarie course listed as one of your preferences through UAC.

Catchment Adjustment Factors are applicable to all undergraduate bachelor programs, except Bachelor of Actuarial Studies and its double degrees, Bachelor of Clinical Science and Macquarie's Cooperative Education programs (Co-op).

For all other courses, students may receive a maximum of **10 additional factors** combined across all adjustment factor schemes, excluding the following, for which students may receive a maximum of **6 adjustment factors**:

See that list here:

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-requirements/domestic/macquarie-entry/adjustment-factors/catchment-adjustment-factors>

University of New England – Oorala Youth Program for boys Years 8–10

18 September 9:00am - 4:00pm

Every day, until 20 September

The Oorala Aboriginal Centre recognises that high school students are our future leaders. We are focused on capturing students' attention to what university courses might be suitable, and, importantly the possibilities, before high school finishes and University begins.

The Oorala Youth Leadership Camp is a three-day experience for around 40 high school senior boys (years 8 and 10) students that aims to provide:

- Personal development opportunities and a range of life skills



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- Cultural awareness and pride
- Health, wellbeing and resilience
- A sharing experience from positive influences of a role model
- An introduction to university life and experiences.

The camp values are leadership, learning, culture and wellbeing.

https://www.une.edu.au/connect/events/events/oorala-youth-program-for-boys-years-8-10?SQ_CALENDAR_DATE=2019-09-18

UTS – Discover Midwifery

Discover Midwifery sessions have wrapped up for 2019. Please join us next at UTS Info Day on **Thursday 19 December**

Get a taste for what you can study in health at UTS at one of our Discover Health sessions. Find out more about our undergraduate courses at an info session, then head on a tour of our world-class facilities.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/health/why-health-uts/events-and-brochures/discover-sessions>

UTS - Discover Sport and Exercise

Discover Sport and Exercise sessions have wrapped up for 2019. Please join us next at UTS Info Day on **Thursday 19 December**

Get a taste for what you can study in health at UTS at one of our Discover Health sessions. Find out more about our undergraduate courses at an info session, then head on a tour of our world-class facilities.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/health/why-health-uts/events-and-brochures/discover-sessions>

UTS - Discover Nursing

Wednesday, 13 November. 5.30pm

UTS City campus

Get a taste for what you can study in health at UTS at one of our Discover Health sessions. Find out more about our undergraduate courses at an info session, then head on a tour of our world-class facilities.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/health/why-health-uts/events-and-brochures/discover-sessions>

UTS Girls in STEM Day

10 October

This one day event provides an opportunity for female students in years 9 -12 to participate in a range of hands-on activities plus they get an inside look at life as a female student/professional in the STEM Career area.

Register here:

<https://forms.uts.edu.au/web/index.cfm>

Southern Cross University – Aspiring Women in Engineering

Southern Cross University's Women in Engineering initiatives and activities aim to inspire, encourage and inform women of the opportunities available within the engineering sector.

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Southern Cross University offers a supportive environment for female students to enjoy studying their engineering degree with initiatives such as:-

- Lunchtime Seminars with guest speakers
- Industry Networking Breakfast for Women in Engineering
- [SCU Engineering Society](#) participation
- [Bright Futures: Student-Alumni Mentoring Program](#)

Find out more about our [engineering degrees](#).

<https://www.scu.edu.au/school-of-environment-science-and-engineering/engineering/women-in-engineering/>

Women In Engineering Camp

12-15 January 2020

UNSW Kensington Campus

Are you currently in year 10 or 11 and want a career where you can create real world impact? Do you enjoy using lateral thinking, creativity and design? Or do you love problem solving, working in teams or have an aptitude for maths and science? Join us for a three-day camp where you will find out what a career in engineering can look like! Visit sites around Sydney that showcase engineering in action-Meet a range of successful engineers at a networking function-Participant in interesting activities and workshops that explore different types of engineering-Make new friends with similar interests to you-Get a taste of what it's like to live on campus.

Apply here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/1s5dn5bgw3o3o00/WIE%20Camp%202020%20flyer%20%2B%20FAQs.pdf?dl=0>

Australasian schools of architecture - The Australian Institute of Architects

There are 18 schools of architecture in Australia offering architecture programs recognised by the Institute and accredited by the relevant state/territory architecture board. Here is a contact list for the [Heads of Australasian Architecture Schools/Programs](#).

<http://sitefinity.architecture.com.au/cpd-education/national/schools-education#australasianschoolsofarchitecture>

University of Newcastle Walking Campus Tours

Our campus walking tours are for individuals, families and parties of up to 10 people. Use our form to tell us you're interested and we will be in contact with further tour details. If you cannot find a date that suits please contact us to arrange an alternate time -

futurestudents@newcastle.edu.au

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/study/forms/campus-tour-booking-form>

ACU - University Experience - Canberra Campus

1 October

Would you like to sample uni life before you enrol to study at ACU?

Attend our free University Experience day. Tailored to your study area of interest, the day gives insight into on-campus life as a uni student.

<https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2019/october/university-experience-canberra-campus?redirect=%26FilterBy%3dUpcoming%26Year%3d2019%26PageNumber%3d1>

Reminder - University of Sydney Future Leaders Scheme

Closes 30 September

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Academic or school leadership can also help guarantee you a place at the University of Sydney. The **Future Leaders Scheme**, open to Dux students and school captains in Australia, requires a principal's nomination and an ATAR (or equivalent IB score) of at least 65 or above.

[Future Leaders Scheme nominations](#) open in **August 2019** and on time nominations close **30 September 2019**.

All schools in Australia are eligible for the scheme. To receive an offer via the Future Leaders Scheme, you need to:

- be nominated by your school principal by the due date (you cannot nominate yourself)
- achieve an ATAR of at least 65 or above (or equivalent IB score)
- place one of the courses available through this pathway as your highest eligible UAC preference, and
- meet any additional admission requirements.

For school captains and Dux students (announced by your school before the start of final exams), who are nominated before 30 September 2019, you will receive notice of what courses you're likely to be eligible for under the Future Leaders Scheme based on a predicted ATAR provided by your school before you sit your HSC exams.

Otherwise, for nominations received after 30 September 2019 and prior to 5pm, 29 November 2019 (for 2020 admission), you will receive notice of what courses you will be eligible for under the Future Leaders Scheme based on your actual rank after the ATAR release for ATAR recipients, and after the IB release for IB recipients.

<https://sydney.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/admission-pathways.html#Futureleadersscheme>

University of Sydney **Broadway Scheme**

The **Broadway Scheme** is targeted at domestic high school students who have experienced disrupted schooling and/or home environment, financial hardship, personal illness, disability, refugee status or English language difficulty.

There are 600 places allocated each year, allowing entry into most courses (with the exception of all combined Medicine courses) with up to ten points below the guaranteed ATAR. Applications for the Broadway Scheme are assessed via [UAC's Educational Access Scheme \(EAS\)](#).

<https://sydney.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/admission-pathways.html#Broadwayscheme>

University of Notre Dame - Personal Statement Topics to Address and Ace your Interview

We like to get to know our prospective students through our admissions process and part of that involves you submitting a personal statement of about 300 words with your application. Here are some tips to get you started!

Tips to Ace your Interview

So you've submitted your application and now it's time to prepare for your interview. This is our chance to get to know the person behind the application and what motivates you. Here are our top 5 tips to get prepared.

<https://notredameaustralia.tumblr.com/post/177756404087/tips-for-writing-the-perfect-personal-statement>

University of Wollongong Early Admission Update

Now that Early Admission applications have closed, UOW faculties are assessing all submitted applications. On **Monday 16 September**, UOW will send you an email to let you know what your next steps are.



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This email will include the next steps for each course that you have applied for. Please read the email carefully. Each course you've applied for may have different requirements.

For most students, this email will be an invitation to engage with us at an on-campus **Early Admission Day**. These days are the next (and compulsory) step in the Early Admission process.

How to book a time to come to your UOW Early Admission Day

If you are invited to engage with us at an Early Admission Day, the email you receive on 16 September will provide a link so that you can book online. You will be asked to book into either one or two sessions, depending on the course/s that you've applied for. So, at the booking screen there will be either one or two booking fields. **If you need to book into two sessions, the top field will correspond to your first preference, and the second (or bottom) field will correspond to your second course preference.**

If you live more than a three-hour drive from UOW, or if extenuating circumstances make it difficult for you to attend an interview on campus, you can elect to be interviewed over the phone. If you do elect 'phone interview', UOW staff may be in touch with you to confirm your phone number and location.

If you're invited to an audition for the Bachelor of Performance, you must do this in person at your Early Admission Day. More details here:

<https://www.uow.edu.au/study/high-school/uow-early-admission/faqs/>

Deferring A Uni Course - What you need to do.

Deferment is when your institution gives you permission to delay starting your course.

Deferment is for a fixed period, usually six months or one year.

All deferments are granted subject to the course being offered the following semester or following year. Some institutions will only let you defer in special circumstances.

How do I defer an offer - When you receive an offer to enrol in a course, information included with your offer will explain how to apply for deferment. You may have to accept the offer before you can defer.

Most institutions will ask you to provide a statement to explain why you wish to defer and what you'll be doing during this period. Once your deferment has been granted, you'll receive written confirmation of your deferment from the institution concerned. This will also give instructions on how to take up your deferred course.

If, at the end of the deferment period, you decide you'd like to be considered for other courses, you can complete a new UAC application and include these course preferences. If you receive an offer to one of the new courses, you can then decide whether to accept the offer or take up your deferred course.

Can my offer lapse? - Yes. If you undertake degree studies or certain levels of TAFE study other than NSW HSC courses during your deferment period, your offer at many institutions will lapse. You'll need to re-apply through UAC and declare all of your studies. Check with each institution for specific policies.

<https://www.uac.edu.au/current-applicants/undergraduate-applications-and-offers>

University of Canberra – Virtual Tours Anytime Campus Tour

Explore our campus and facilities as if you were there.

<https://www.canberra.edu.au/on-campus/campus-tours/virtual-tours>

Internationally Educated – US Universities Advice

Students looking to apply to US universities in the coming months will most likely require a letter of recommendation to support their application for admission. This letter of

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recommendation is only one component of the [holistic admission process](#) used in determining admission for an applicant.

US uni's will make clear who the letters of recommendation should come from - most times a teacher and/or a tertiary adviser or year 12 academic coordinator. To assist you and your colleagues in writing a letter of recommendation for US admission purposes we have written an article titled [Recommendation Letters 101](#).

TAFE

TAFE NSW Degrees

You don't have to go to uni to get a degree.

TAFE NSW offers a number of degree level courses and higher education options with strong industry links and both practical skills and theoretical knowledge.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/courses/tafe-nsw-degrees>

Bachelor of Commerce

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-applied-commerce>

Bachelor of Business

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-business>

Bachelor of Early Childhood Education

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-early-childhood-education-and-care-birth-5>

Bachelor of 3D Art and Animation

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-3d-art-and-animation>

Bachelor of Design (Interior Design)

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-design-interior-design>

Bachelor of Community Services

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-community-services>

Bachelor of Information Technology Data Infrastructure Engineering

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-information-technology-data-infrastructure-engineering>

Bachelor of Information Technology Network Security

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-information-technology-network-security>

Bachelor of Creative Practice

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/creative-practice>

Bachelor of Fashion Design

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-fashion-design>

Bachelor of Property Valuation

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-property-valuation>

Associate Degree of Applied Engineering in Renewable Energy

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees/associate-degree-of-applied-engineering-renewable-energy-technologies>

TAFE NSW Open Day is Now On

Saturday, 14 September from 9am to 1pm.

We can help them kickstart their career, become an aspiring apprentice, or gain exciting new skills for the job they want. There will be talks, demos, food, entertainment and more. Your students can pre-register and jump the queue when checking in on the day by visiting:

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<https://events.tafensw.edu.au/open-day>

TAFE NSW is Online, All The Time

For students thinking about their options, studying an online TVET course gives them a taste of skills in a particular industry and a head start in their future career. An online TVET course is flexible during Years 11 and 12, to study where, when and how they want for the best fit with their timetable and other commitments.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/documents/60140/76288/TVET-Brochure.pdf>

Get Your Creative On With TAFE Design Centre Enmore

TAFE NSW Design Centre Enmore is a 'design melting pot', with all design subjects taught by industry experienced mentors in purpose-built exhibition spaces, studios and professional workshops. Follow in the footsteps of extraordinary local/international talent at

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/design-centre-enmore>.

Pre Apprenticeships Now Available

The Apprentice Employment Network NSW & ACT and its Group Training members are running pre-apprenticeship programs for school leavers starting at various times through September 2017 to February 2018. Great opportunities are available to secure top apprenticeships and traineeships. For information call Jason on 0419 466 584 or visit :

<http://aennswact.com.au/pre-app/>

COLLEGES

Torrens Hospitality Scholarships 2020

Closes 13 December

Are you passionate about hospitality and keen to forge your career in this industry? Apply for a hospitality scholarship!

William Blue College of Hospitality Management has been continually developing future potential leaders of the hospitality industry for over 25 years, carving the way for the next generation.

Each year we invite aspiring hospitality managers, event managers, tourism managers and executive chefs to apply for a William Blue Scholarship. The scholarship is an opportunity to not only become accredited in the industry but to launch a stellar hospitality career.

<https://www.torrens.edu.au/apply-online/scholarships/hospitality-scholarship>

Creative Careers in IT and Design Information Night – I.T. , Film, Digital Design, Animation, Interior Design

18 September. 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Level 2, 7 Kelly Street, Ultimo

Come along and learn about the exciting career opportunities within design, animation, film, games and IT. Join us and book today at:

<https://www.ait.edu.au/information-night>

Law and Business - TOP's Career Edge and why it works

TOP's Career Edge is made up of a number of programs that aim to help our students become career ready during their studies so that they will be able to transition into the workforce confidently after graduation.

Our students are encouraged to attend [Career Prep Workshops](#) during their studies at TOP.

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Industry professionals are invited to TOP to present and offer advice on resume writing, interview skills and other insights to prepare our students for the first step of their job-seeking path.

All eligible students are invited to apply for **CareerFit**, a one-week program to learn effective business communication skills and explore business case studies to become job ready. This one-week program will be hosted by PwC Australia, at their cutting edge premises at Barangaroo.

<https://www.top.edu.au/careeredge>

Flightdeck Consulting – Pilots and Flight Attendants

Aviation's leading source of **airline pilot recruitment, airline pilot interview preparation and coaching services**. If you are searching for Flight Attendant Jobs or seeking help or guidance for a Flight Attendant Interview please visit our Cabin Crew Website.

<https://www.flightdeckconsulting.com/shop/the-complete-flight-attendant-interview-work-book/>

Our team are all airline pilots and we know the industry. All of our products and services have been tailored and designed to ensure the very best possible preparation for your interview, no matter which airline.

<http://www.flightdeckconsulting.com/>

What Do Animation and Game Development Students Really Do?

Creative pupils can follow JMC Academy students on Instagram as they complete their major Animation and Game Development projects, from beginning concept to final product! Just tell them to follow @jmcacademydesign to watch how students design, develop and build their story using industry technology, to give them an idea of work in the real world.

<https://www.instagram.com/jmcacademydesign/>

Bedford College Open Days - Glebe and Baulkham Hills

Saturday 14 September at Glebe Campus - 9:30am to 2.30pm

54 Parramatta Road, Glebe (Opposite Sydney Uni).

Saturday 21 September at Norwest Campus Time: 9:30am to 2.30pm

2 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills

Open Days are an opportunity to come and have a look at the campus facilities, speak to teachers and students (both current and past students) and gain valuable insights into the offerings at Bedford college. Contact Christine Laurent claurent@bedford.edu.au or Rachelle Perceval rperceval@bedford.edu.au.

AFTRS Intro Courses for 16+

At AFTRS they have a section of intro courses for 16+ including Intro to Directing, Documentary, Screenwriting, Producing and Production Design. Check them out in more detail here:

<http://bit.ly/31RLvCD>

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Projects Abroad Internships

Join one of our internships abroad and learn directly from experienced local professionals in developing countries. This is a chance for you to gain first-hand practical knowledge in your field of interest. You'll also get to share your ideas and contribute to the placement, while learning what you're truly capable of.

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We'll find you internship work overseas that matches your requirements and level of experience as closely as possible, so that you get the most out of your placement. We offer a wide variety of short-term and long-term internship options. Whether you're looking to learn more about law and human rights or you want to shadow doctors in a hospital, we'll help you select the perfect internship.

<https://www.projects-abroad.com.au/intern-abroad/>

How To Write an Effective Resume [A Practical Guide]

So you've read thousands of job ads and picked out the ones that sound like they're tailor-made for you.

But ask yourself this: is your resume tailor-made for them?

If the answer is no, stop what you're doing. Before sending off your application hoping to get a job interview, you need to make sure you have an effective resume.

We're talking about the sort of resume that positively screams "don't waste time reading those other applications, you've already found the right person for the job"!

Luckily, you've come to exactly the right place. Welcome to our practical guide to writing the perfect resume quickly and easily!

<https://au.jobted.com/blog/>

Conservation Volunteers Australia

You want to make a difference to the environment? Look here and explore. So many options! Conservation Volunteers makes it easy for people to care for nature by volunteering on one of our many conservation projects across the country. Volunteers come from a wide range of backgrounds and no prior skills or experience are required, and volunteer projects are available to suit your availability and particular interests.

Together we can make a positive difference to conservation of nature upon which all life depends and is interconnected.

<https://conservationvolunteers.com.au/>

Vinnie's Youth

Vinnies Youth is term given to Young Adult members and volunteers of St Vincent de Paul Society. Getting involved in Vinnies Youth is about putting faith in action – we offer a number of opportunities to serve people in your local community. These include: Kids Days Out, Buddy Camps, Home Visitation, Tutoring and Mentoring, Vinnies Shops, Soup Vans and even school's engagement.

https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Get_Involved/Youth_and_Schools/Join_Vinnies_Youth/

Headspace - For young people – Advice and Support

Learn about mental health, or if you need support, get in-touch with someone who can help.

https://headspace.org.au/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIn6Cf7ZK25AIVmYRwCh3ioQAYEAAYAiAAEgLHZPD_BwE

Chat online, email, or speak on the phone with a qualified professional. It's free, confidential and can be anonymous. Explore eheadspace, Digital Work & Study and Digital Industry Mentor Service.

https://headspace.org.au/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIn6Cf7ZK25AIVmYRwCh3ioQAYEAAYAiAAEgLHZPD_BwE



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Future Architects – Look at these great events to go to

The Australian Institute of Architects holds regular talks from some of Australia's and the world's leading architects. Keep on top of this and enjoy!

<https://www.architecture.com.au/events/>

Becoming an Architect

Architecture is one of the most influential professions in our global society. A career in architecture offers opportunities to shape, perhaps even transform the environment in which we live. Architecture brings together the arts, environmental awareness, sciences and technology.

<https://repository.architecture.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/becoming-an-architect-brochure.pdf>

The Dos and the Don'ts of Emailing to an Employer

[Email Etiquette: Improve your business writing & communication skills](#)

Knowing how to write an effective email is essential to getting ahead in your career. Business writing can be a great skill to have; it aids effective communication. Communication skills and writing skills are on display when you write a letter, so having a look at sample emails and business emails can be a great place to start. Here are some email tips to help your communication in the workplace.

<https://www.opencolleges.edu.au/careers/email-etiquette>

National Gallery of Australia – Teens Art IRL

Featuring free events and activations, Art IRL ('in real life') is the Gallery's new program connecting young audiences with art, artists and each other. Art IRL is co-produced by the Teen Council and inspired by the art and ideas that shape our exhibitions. Expect artist-led workshops, performance, live music, snacks, and social activities responding to real-life trends, technology and issues.

Upcoming Event

Art IRL: Teen Takeover, Saturday 7 December 2019. [Find out more.](#)

Teen Council

If you're aged 13 to 17 years and want to get involved, we encourage you to join the Teen Council.

Calling all young creatives

Are you a poet, dancer, musician or DJ? We are looking for young creatives to share their talents at our events. Contact teens@nga.gov.au to find out more.

<https://nga.gov.au/artirl/>

Premed Projects – Medical Work Experience

Are you a student interested in a career in healthcare? Premed Projects arranges medical work experience in UK hospitals, India hospitals and Thailand hospitals. Students join us for a 1 or 2-week hospital placement, shadowing doctors in a variety of hospital departments. During the week students stay in Premed Projects accommodation, fully supported by our comprehensive staff teams during your stay.

<https://www.premedprojects.co.uk/>



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Astronomy Open Night

Saturday 7 September

Discover the night sky like you never have before. Join us at our Astronomy Open Night on Saturday 7 September from 6.30pm for an incredible night of astronomy and physics, including the chance to view stars and planets through up to 30 telescopes. More information and tickets: <https://macq.it/astronight>

The Australian Academy of the Humanities

Workforce Futures – Humanising our Digital Transformation

Wednesday 18 September. 5pm-7pm

State Library of New South Wales

Find out more and register

Dr John Taccori

Careers Advisor

COMMUNITY NEWS

GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

Mobile Blood Service visiting: Springwood IGA Car Park

175 Macquarie Road, Springwood

Tuesday 1 October

8.30am – 2.30pm

Wednesday 2 October

12.00pm – 6.00pm

Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

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2020 Mountains Youth Band Instrumental (Low Brass) Scholarship

The Mountains Youth Band Instrumental (Low Brass) Scholarship provides the recipient with a substantial subsidy for private tuition over a period of 12 months. Tuition will be provided by a tutor appointed by Blue Mountains Concert Band Inc. The recipient will be required to become a member of the Mountains Youth Band.

Eligibility: Young people who are residents of the Blue Mountains and Nepean regions who are enrolled at school between Years 5 and 10 in 2019, have a demonstrated level of musical interest and aptitude and are prepared to make a musical commitment to their community through membership of the Mountains Youth Band.

Selection: The scholarship will be awarded to a candidate who demonstrates suitable musical ambition, commitment and aptitude. All short-listed applicants will be required to attend an interview accompanied by parent(s)/guardian(s) and present an audition piece or undertake a suitability assessment (e.g. drum test) as appropriate.

Application Procedure: Application forms, terms and conditions can be obtained via email to the Mountains Youth Band Administrator. mountainsyouthband@gmail.com OR the website <https://www.bmcb.net.au/>

Closing date is **27th September 2019.**

Enquiries: The Administrator, Mountains Youth Band. Mobile:0431953217



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2020 Mountains Youth Band Instrumental (Percussion) Scholarship

The Mountains Youth Band Instrumental (Percussion) Scholarship provides the recipient with a substantial subsidy for private tuition over a period of 12 months. Tuition will be provided by teachers at Stormer Music, who are the sponsors of the project. The recipient will be required to become a member of the Mountains Youth Band.

Eligibility: Young people who are residents of the Blue Mountains and Nepean regions who are enrolled at school between Years 5 and 9 in 2019, have a demonstrated level of musical interest and aptitude and are prepared to make a musical commitment to their community through membership of the Mountains Youth Band.

Selection: The scholarship will be awarded to a candidate who demonstrates suitable musical ambition, commitment and aptitude. All short-listed applicants will be required to attend an interview accompanied by parent(s)/guardian(s) and present an audition piece or undertake a suitability assessment (e.g. drum test) as appropriate.

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