INTRODUCTION TO UNIVERSITY
YOUR FUTURE

Now is the time to start thinking about your options for further study.

University offers a world of possibilities. Most courses require you to have studied certain subjects at VCE (or equivalent) level. This can include interstate qualifications, some TAFE qualifications or relevant work experience. It’s important to keep your options open.

And that’s what this guide is about – helping you to make the right choices now, to ensure you reach your career goals.

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS ‘WORLDLY’?
Watch a YouTube video: deakin.yt/what-is-worldly.
‘Every day I experience Deakin’s technology-savvy facilities, from the computer labs to interactive lecture devices and even the amazing science equipment.’

ASHLEY CHAN
Bachelor of Vision Science
Read Ashley’s story at deakin.is/ashley-chan.
GETTING STARTED

What are your skills and interests?
• What subjects do you like?
• Do you excel in any particular subject or study area?
• What are you interested in?
• What inspires you?
• Do you volunteer, play sport or are you involved in a music group or other activity?

Is university for you?
• Does the job or career you want require a degree or university qualification, such as nursing, law or teaching?
• Will having a degree help you succeed in your field of interest?

Research, research, research
• Talk with your parents, teachers, careers practitioners, friends and colleagues about the subject options available at school and how they’re relevant to courses and jobs you’re interested in.
• Check the subject prerequisites and extra requirements for all of the courses you are interested in. There may be prerequisites and extra requirements for school-leavers as well as for non school-leavers. Find out about prerequisites at deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course.
• You can find out about extra requirements on the VTAC website www.vtac.edu.au and in Victorian Tertiary Entrance Requirements (VICTER) publications.
• Look at careers and employment opportunities available from your preferred courses at deakin.edu.au/yourcourse-yourcareer.
• Consider work experience in areas that appeal to you.
## HOW DOES UNI COMPARE?

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<td><strong>Weekly contact hours</strong></td>
<td>30</td>
<td>25–35</td>
<td>8–25</td>
<td>Up to 40</td>
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<td><strong>Course length</strong></td>
<td>Six years (VCE or equivalent, two years)</td>
<td>Four months–two-and-a-half years</td>
<td>Two–six years</td>
<td>Varies</td>
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<td><strong>Class structure</strong></td>
<td>Classes, 25 people, one teacher per subject</td>
<td>Classes and workshops, 12–20 people, one teacher per subject</td>
<td>Lectures, up to 700 people Tutorials and practicals 15–30 people, one subject teacher (tutor)</td>
<td>No classes</td>
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<td><strong>Style of learning</strong></td>
<td>Hands-on and theory</td>
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<td>Mostly theory but can be hands on</td>
<td>On the job</td>
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<td><strong>Qualifications</strong></td>
<td>VCE, VCAL or International Baccalaureate (IB)</td>
<td>Certificate I, II III, IV, diploma, advanced diploma</td>
<td>Associate degree, bachelor’s degree, combined course or concurrent course</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td><strong>Teachers</strong></td>
<td>High school teachers</td>
<td>Industry trained</td>
<td>Academics, researchers, industry professionals</td>
<td>Managers/ mentors</td>
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*Check with individual institutions for specific details.*
‘I was lucky enough to receive 8 credits from my TAFE diploma. This meant I had essentially taken a full year off my Deakin combined course.’

ANDREW CONTE
Bachelor of Design (Architecture)/Bachelor of Construction Management
Read Andrew’s story at deakin.is/andrew-conte.
‘All the lecturers know me by name and we chat whenever I see them around campus. You can always ask them for help.’
WANT MORE INFORMATION?

We’ve got lots of useful information on our website deakin.edu.au. You can also find out about coming events by visiting deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/important-dates.

YOU MIGHT ALSO FIND SOME OF THESE SITES HANDY:

Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC)
www.vtac.edu.au

Career exploration and information service.
www.myfuture.edu.au

Australian Government site providing advice for young people thinking about their future and looking for work.
www.youth.gov.au

Information about jobs and careers.
www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au

Information on education and training options open to the community including apprentices, trainees, students, teachers, trainers, businesses and employers.
www.skills.vic.gov.au

Higher education options in Australia.
www.studyassist.gov.au
LEARNING THE LINGO

**Associate degree**
A two-year, full-time (or part-time equivalent) program designed for students who may benefit from a supported entry to tertiary study. It provides flexible pathways into university, and can be used as a guaranteed pathway into a range of approved degrees. 

Visit deakin.edu.au/doorstep.

**Class**
A general meeting for all enrolled students, for which students do not need to register, and where teaching staff engage students through presentations and learning activities. Formerly known as lecture.

**Bachelor’s degree**
Normally the first university course undertaken, also known as an undergraduate award.

**Faculty**
An organisational division in a university; for example, the Faculty of Arts and Education is one of the four faculties at Deakin University. Within each faculty are several schools, e.g. the School of Law is in the Faculty of Business and Law.

**Deferment**
You can postpone your studies, but still keep your university place. At Deakin you can defer for up to two years.

**Major sequence**
An approved group of at least 6 credit points of related units that are taken in sequence at each level of a course. In some cases, you can enroll in more than one major sequence.

**Pathways**
Pathways provide alternative entry options for people who may have obtained a TAFE or equivalent qualification and who now wish to obtain a degree, or for those who may not meet academic entry or English language requirements.

**Prerequisites**
The VCE subjects or other requirements that applicants must complete to be eligible for a course. More info: www.vtac.edu.au.

**Scholarships**
Deakin offers a range of scholarships, including academic scholarships for high-achievers and access and equity scholarships. Visit deakin.edu.au/scholarships.

**Seminar**
A more interactive meeting than a class, for smaller groups of students. Formerly known as tutorial or workshop.

**Study score**
A score of 0–50 that shows how a VCE student performed in a particular subject compared to other students in the same year throughout the state.

**Undergraduate degree**
Usually the first degree you obtain in a given discipline area. For example, a Bachelor of Health Sciences.

**Unit**
A Deakin subject or unit is normally one trimester long and most have a value of 1 or 2 credit points.

**Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC)**
Centralised admissions centre for most undergraduate university and TAFE courses.

**Victorian Tertiary Entrance Requirements (VICTER)**
A VTAC publication for Year 10 students to help plan their pathway towards tertiary study. The VICTER 2016 Guide will be most applicable for students completing Year 10 in 2013.

For a comprehensive list of key terms, please visit deakin.edu.au/glossary.
WHY GO TO UNIVERSITY?

• On average, people with a university degree earn 50 per cent more than those without a degree.

• University study can help you develop specific skills and knowledge that are transferable to the workplace, as well as more general life skills.

• Students come from around the world to study our courses, giving you the chance to make friends from a diverse range of backgrounds.

• You can develop professional networks that can help you throughout your career.

• You can travel overseas and experience other cultures as part of your degree.

WANT A SNAPSHOT OF DEAKIN’S CAMPUSES?
Watch our campus videos: deakin.edu.au/campuses.
‘Internships enhanced my skills and allowed me to put what I’d learned in the classroom into practice’.

KATE WESTON
Bachelor of Arts – Public Relations
Read Kate’s story at deakin.is/kate-weston.
If you like these types of subjects:
Maths
Design and Technology
History
English
Graphics

Or if this is your dream job:
Architect
City or landscape planner or designer
Construction manager

Then consider a Deakin University architecture and built environment course in:
Design (architecture)
Construction management
Architectural technology

Combined courses include, but are not limited to:
Design (architecture)/Construction management

deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/architecture-and-built-environment
## ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

### If you like these types of subjects:

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<th>Design and Technology</th>
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<td>Geography</td>
<td>Sociology</td>
<td>Art</td>
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<td>Legal Studies</td>
<td>English</td>
<td>Visual Communication</td>
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<td>History</td>
<td>Dance</td>
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<td>Politics</td>
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<td>Philosophy</td>
<td>Media</td>
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### Or if this is your dream job:

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<th>Actor</th>
<th>Foreign affairs manager</th>
<th>Newspaper and magazine publisher</th>
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<td>Advertising manager</td>
<td>Graphic designer</td>
<td>Photographer</td>
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<td>Artist</td>
<td>Historian</td>
<td>Policy writer</td>
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<td>Communication specialist</td>
<td>Intelligence officer</td>
<td>Public relations manager</td>
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<td>Criminologist</td>
<td>Journalist</td>
<td>Tourism manager</td>
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<td>Dancer</td>
<td>Radio, TV or film producer</td>
<td>Translator</td>
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<td>Event manager</td>
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### Then consider a Deakin University arts course in:

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<td>Sociology</td>
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<td>Journalism</td>
<td>Spanish</td>
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<td>Arts</td>
<td>Language and culture studies</td>
<td>Visual arts</td>
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<td>Australian Studies</td>
<td>Literary studies</td>
<td>Visual communication design</td>
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<td>Chinese</td>
<td>Media and communication</td>
<td>Combined courses include, but are not limited to:</td>
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<td>Children’s literature</td>
<td>Middle East studies</td>
<td>Arts/Commerce</td>
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<td>Criminology</td>
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<td>Dance</td>
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<td>Drama</td>
<td>Politics and policy studies</td>
<td>Arts/Science</td>
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<td>Film studies</td>
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[deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/arts](deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/arts)
BUSINESS

If you like these types of subjects:
Accounting  Legal Studies
Business Management  Languages
Economics  Maths
Industry and Enterprise  Politics
Information Technology

Or if this is your dream job:
Accountant  Marketing consultant
Business analyst  Market research
Customer relations manager  Property valuer
Database developer  Real estate agent
eBusiness project manager  Risk analyst
Economic analyst or policy developer  Sport management
Electronic marketing manager  Sponsorship management
Equal opportunity officer  Sport development
Financial planner  Systems analyst and designer
Financial security analyst  Tourism operations and planning
Human resources manager  Training and development officer
Information systems consultant  Web designer/architect

Then consider a Deakin University business course in:
Commerce  Information systems/Information technology
Information systems  Commerce/Information systems
Management  Commerce/Laws
Property and real estate  Commerce/Science
Combined courses include, but are not limited to:
Arts/Commerce  Information systems/Arts
Arts/Laws  Information systems/Laws
International studies/Commerce  Information systems/Science
Laws/International studies  Property and Real Estate/Laws

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EDUCATION

If you like these types of subjects:
Business Studies
English
Geography
History
Languages
Maths
Outdoor and Environmental Studies
Performing Arts
Physical Education
Politics
Psychology
Sciences
Visual Art

Or if this is your dream job:
Early childhood educator
Education officer
Educational consultant
Health and physical education teacher
Primary teacher
Secondary teacher
Training and development officer
Volunteer and international teacher

Then consider a Deakin University education course in:
Early childhood education
Health and physical education
Teaching (primary)
Combined courses include,
but are not limited to:
Teaching (secondary)/Arts
Teaching (science)/Science

deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/education-and-teaching
If you like these types of subjects:

- Chemistry
- Design and Technology
- Information Technology
- Maths
- Physics
- Systems Engineering

Or if this is your dream job:

- Aerospace engineer
- Aircraft engineer
- Automotive engineer
- Civil engineer
- Construction manager
- Manufacturing engineer
- Mechanical engineer
- Mechatronic and robotic engineer
- Railway engineer
- Road and traffic engineer
- Ship building engineer
- Water engineer

Then consider a Deakin University engineering course in:

- Engineering – Civil, Electrical and Electronics, Mechanical, Mechatronics
- Engineering science – sports technology, medical technology

Combined courses include, but are not limited to:

- Engineering/Commerce
- Engineering/Information technology

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If you like these types of subjects:
Agricultural and Horticultural Studies  Geography
Biology  Information Technology
Chemistry  Maths
Environmental Science  Outdoor and Environmental Studies

Or if this is your dream job:
Aquatic scientist  Land management officer
Conservation field officer  Marine biologist
Catchment manager  Park ranger
Coastal and park planner  Recycling manager
Environmental analyst/consultant  Water quality/waterways manager
Fire ecologist  Wildlife ecologist

Then consider a Deakin University environment course in:
Environmental management and sustainability  Combined courses include, but are not limited to:
Fisheries and aquaculture  Arts/Science
Marine biology  Commerce/Science
Wildlife and conservation biology  Science/Law
  Teaching (science)/Science

deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/environment
If you like these types of subjects:
Biology
Chemistry
English
Food and Technology
Health and Human Development

Or if this is your dream job:
Advocacy and mediation worker
Child protection officer
Community development officer
Dietitian
Disability services officer
Doctor
Food microbiologist
Health counsellor or educator
Health policy officer/developer
Health promotion coordinator
Mental health coordinator

Then consider a Deakin University health course in:
Food and nutrition sciences
Health sciences
Medicine
Nursing
Occupational therapy
Optometry
Psychology
Public health and health promotion
Social work

Related studies:
Engineering science - medical technology
Health and physical education

Combined courses include, but are not limited to:
Criminology/Psychology
Health sciences/Arts
Nursing/Midwifery
Nursing/Public health and health promotion
Nursing/Psychology

deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/health
deaakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/nursing-and-midwifery
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

If you like these types of subjects:
Accounting
Business Management
Business Administration
Design and Technology
Economics

Information Technology
Maths
Software Development
Systems Engineering

Or if this is your dream job:
Application architect/developer
Business analyst
Business security manager
Computer systems developer
Data communications manager
Forensic IT investigator
Game designer
Game developer
Game programmer
Information officer
Information security compliance and risk specialist

Information systems engineer
Information systems auditor
Multimedia systems designer
Network engineer
Programmer
Project manager
Risk analyst
Security specialist
Software developer
Systems programmer
Web developer

Then consider a Deakin University IT course in:
Information technology
Information systems
Computer science and software development
Games design and development
IT security
Mobile and apps development
Professional practice
Business information systems

Combined courses include, but are not limited to:
Information systems/Information technology
Engineering/Information technology
Information systems/Science
Criminology/Information technology

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## If you like these types of subjects:

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<td>Human Rights Law</td>
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<td>Commercial Law</td>
<td>Indian Law</td>
<td>Mining and Energy Law</td>
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<td>Competition Law and Policy</td>
<td>Insolvency</td>
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<td>Constitutional Law</td>
<td>International Financial Crime</td>
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<td>Criminal Law</td>
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## Or if this is your dream job:

| Barrister | Industrial relations officer |
| Business manager | Law reform research officer |
| Corporate lawyer | Lawyer |
| Company administrator | Legal adviser |
| Diplomat legal aide | Solicitor |

## Then consider a Deakin University law course in:

| Law |
| Combined courses include, but are not limited to: |
| Arts/Law |
| Commerce/Law |
| Property and Real Estate/Law |
| Criminology/Law |
| Information Systems/Law |
| International Studies/Law |
| Science/Law |

[deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/law](http://deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/law)
If you like these types of subjects:

- Agricultural and Horticultural Studies
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Geography
- Information Technology
- Maths
- Outdoor and Environmental Studies
- Physics

Or if this is your dream job:

- Biotechnologist
- Biomedical researcher
- Food microbiologist
- Forensic scientist
- Insurance investigator
- Laboratory scientist
- Pharmaceutical sales representative
- Pharmaceutical scientist
- Science journalist
- Science teacher
- Zoologist

Then consider a Deakin University science course in:

- Biological science
- Biomedical science
- Forensic science
- Science
- Zoology and animal science

Combined courses include, but are not limited to:

- Arts/Science
- Commerce/Science
- Engineering/Science
- Science/Law
- Forensic science/Criminology
- Information systems/Science
- Teaching (science)/Science

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If you like these types of subjects:
Accounting
Biology
Business Management
English
Food and Technology
Health and Human Development
Outdoor and Environmental Studies
Physical Education

Or if this is your dream job:
Community sport and recreation manager
Corporate health adviser
Event manager
Exercise physiologist
Fitness instructor
Health and physical education teacher
Health promotion coordinator
Personal trainer
Player/athlete manager
Sponsorship manager
Sport coach
Sport development officer
Sport facilities manager
Sport marketing consultant
Sport nutritionist
Sport scientist

Then consider a Deakin University sport course in:
Business (sport management)
Exercise and sport science
Health sciences
Health and physical education
Sport development

Combined courses include, but are not limited to:
Exercise and sport science/Business (sport management)
OPEN DAYS

03.08.14  
WARRNAMBOOL CAMPUS  
Princes Highway  
Warrnambool Victoria

10.08.14  
GEELONG WATERFRONT CAMPUS  
1 Gheringhap Street  
Geelong Victoria

10.08.14  
GEELONG WAURN PONDS CAMPUS  
Pigdons Road  
Waurn Ponds Victoria

24.08.14  
MELBOURNE BURWOOD CAMPUS  
221 Burwood Highway  
Burwood Victoria

GET A SNAPSHOT OF DEAKIN’S OPEN DAYS on YouTube deakin.yt/worldly-open-day.

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