UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 1 May
Careers Advisers’ Day
Melbourne Burwood Campus

Friday 6 April–Sunday 15 April
Easter holiday/intra-trimester break

Monday 9 July
Trimester 2 begins

DEAKIN TEAM INVOLVED IN
AWARD WINNING AD

The Deakin Motion.Lab team at the Melbourne Burwood Campus is proud to announce their first project involving a semi-wild quadruped – a deer used in the newest television campaign for Toohey’s Extra Dry. The youtube video ‘Deer Motion Capture for Toohey’s Extra Dry – Nocturnal Migration – behind the scenes’ includes some behind the scenes footage from the motion capture shoot and would be a great illustration to your students as to how the technology is applied. Click on the link below to view the advertisement: www.youtube.com/watch?v=buU1ze96yqA&list=PL4B908BEEC66E47FE&feature=plcp

Post production company Alt.vfx contracted the Deakin Motion.Lab to motion capture and retarget the movements of a live deer onto their digital deer replica. Forty-four shots were tracked, solved, animated and delivered to Alt.vfx for use in the one minute long television commercial. Alt.vfx then added their own animation magic, crowd simulations and fur to the beasts before rendering and compositing it all together with live footage. The result is a spectacular TV ad filled with cheeky deer!

bit.ly/deer-mocap

Alt.vfx took home the First Place Golden Statuette (Visual Effects/Television) in the 2011 Mobius Awards, for their ‘Nocturnal Migration’ commercial. The clever use of motion capture technology mixed with live-action footage of deer roaming the streets of Auckland, has become a worldwide smash hit.

Deakin Motion.Lab is proud to be associated with this product, and it’s extremely satisfying to see that the hard and challenging work of motion capturing a deer has resulted in such a brilliant end-product.

deaakin.edu.au/motionlab

SAVE THE DATE!

Deakin’s 2012 Open Days are the best way to experience our campuses. Make sure you save the following dates:

12 August Warrnambool Campus
19 August Geelong Waterfront and Geelong Waurn Ponds campuses
26 August Melbourne Burwood Campus

CAREERS ADVISERS’ DAY 2012

Save the date and come along to Deakin’s Careers Advisers’ Day. This year Deakin’s Careers Advisers’ Day will be held on Tuesday 1 May at the Melbourne Burwood Campus.
TEACHING WITH NEW TECHNOLOGIES INTRODUCED IN WARRNAMBOOL AREA

From developing YouTube movies to learning about cyber bullying, teachers of the future are learning to embrace technology through a new elective at Deakin University's Warrnambool Campus.

The elective unit titled 'Teaching with New Technologies' is being offered for the first time at the campus. At this stage 16 students from the Bachelor of Education (Primary) course have enrolled in the unit.

Senior Lecturer from the School of Education, Dr Julianne Lynch, said the unit was intended to prepare education students to be up-to-date with the latest developments in information and communication technologies and their use in the classroom for teaching and learning.

Within the unit, students will create their own stop-motion animation movies, learn how to use interactive whiteboards, learn how to develop teaching and learning tools using Web 2.0 technologies such as blogs, wikis and YouTube movies, and about cyber safety and cyber bullying.

Dr Lynch developed the unit in 2007 when she worked at Deakin University's Melbourne Burwood Campus. Local school principals have also provided suggestions about the types of technologies that can be adapted for use in the classroom.

Ten new iPads will be used in the teaching of the unit and will be available more broadly within the School of Education at Warrnambool. The unit will be taught in a new interactive classroom.

'There is a lot of excitement around iPads in schools at the moment, with quite a few local schools purchasing them for their students,' Dr Lynch said. Dr Lynch and her colleague Terri Redpath are involved in a research project at Woolsthorpe Primary School investigating the use of iPads by prep students.

2012 SERVICE PACK

You will shortly be receiving a Service Pack from Deakin that will contain all you need to know about the year ahead! We will provide you with the most up-to-date contact list as well as a form for you to fill out regarding the best contacts at your school. If you do not believe your email and postal addresses are correctly listed on Deakin's database, please email future-students@deakin.edu.au.

SCHOOL VISIT REQUESTS

With the beginning of a new year it's time to start thinking about booking in your next school visit with Deakin. To book an on-campus event at Deakin, or to have Deakin visit your school event, please visit: deakin.edu.au/future-students/campus-tours.

The recruitment team presentations remain a great way for students to find out about the wonderful opportunities that exist at Deakin, while the Faculty presentations can cover study areas which students are interested in or alternatively, introduce them to topics they don't know much about.

DEAKIN’S GLOBAL CITIZENS, MAKING A DIFFERENCE

‘At the start of February a group of Deakin students were given the opportunity to go to Malaysia for the Global Citizenship Program: Borneo Project. The project involved us building a resource centre for the children of a village called Kampung Selupoh. Prior to departing for Borneo, we held events to raise almost $3000 to be able to fund the building of the centre. With this money and over the period of two weeks that we stayed in Kampung Selupoh, the Kangaroo Learning Centre was built.

The idea behind building the centre was for the children of the village to have a place to go after school as they finish at 1.30 pm. The seven of us were divided into three groups. The first group was responsible for helping the builders with the structure, design and decor and the second was responsible for seeking donation of books to fill the Centre. The final group was responsible for hosting an Open Day to let the wider community know about the Centre. During our time in Borneo we were warmly welcomed into the homes of our three host families, we were taken everywhere and shown many beautiful places. It was an amazing experience and we all plan to go back someday soon to check up on how the Centre is operating.’

Cloe Van Korven, Deakin Global Citizen
CYCLING TOWARDS PARALYMPICS GOLD – APPLIED SPORT SCIENCE IN ACTION

Dr Dan Dwyer is a senior lecturer in applied exercise and sport science. He is involved in the teaching program for the Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science at the Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus, which welcomed its first cohort of undergraduate students this year. Dan has also been coaching cyclist and student Michael Gallagher for the past two years.

Michael is a scholarship holder at the Victorian Institute of Sport. Earlier this year he competed for, and won, the 4 km time trial at the Para-Cycling World Championships in Los Angeles. The result was far from certain as he came second to a new cyclist from China in the qualifying round, only to beat him in the final. Two days later, Michael came third in a dangerous scratch race after lapping the field twice.

This is a great result for Michael’s campaign to win a gold medal at the London Paralympics. It’s also a great result for applied sport science. Dan uses many sport science principles and techniques to enhance Michael’s performance and prepare him for competition, many of which are shared throughout Deakin’s exercise and sport science teaching program.

I MADE MIBT MY PATHWAY TO DEAKIN

Students who miss out on a university place have the option to study a diploma at Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology (MIBT). Upon successful completion of the diploma students are eligible for a place in second year of a Deakin University bachelor degree program (conditions apply).

‘Just missing out on direct entry to Deakin, I chose the Diploma of Engineering at MIBT as it was a pathway to Deakin,’ says MIBT graduate Jordan Grossman.

For students like Jordan, MIBT’s pathway programs provide the option to transfer into second year of a degree course after successfully completing a diploma.

‘My experience at MIBT was much better than I expected. The teachers were extremely helpful and motivated me to succeed. I am now in second year of a Bachelor of Engineering and my plans after that are to work with aircraft either as an engineer or pilot.’

Deakin and MIBT have been in partnership since 1996 when the Pathway Program was launched. With increasing competition for university places, alternative entry pathways have become very important for many students, as well as providing smaller classes and personalised student support.

Flexible start dates and options to complete courses over eight or twelve months mean students can fit their studies around work and family commitments. Courses are available in commerce, computing, engineering, health sciences, management, media and communication, and science.

MIBT is located on Deakin University’s Melbourne Burwood Campus, Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus and Geelong Waterfront Campus. MIBT students have full access to Deakin’s wide range of facilities and services which help to create a successful transition into the Deakin degree.

www.mibt.vic.edu.au