CAREERS NETWORK BULLETIN

Deakin Open Day

Welcome to issue 3 of the Careers Network Bulletin for 2015. As you commence the busiest of school terms, we too are busy organising our upcoming Open Days. We hope your students make the most of the university Open Day season and we hope to see them at ours! The theme of this bulletin is – you guessed it – Open Day!

 EXPERIENCE A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE

Help your students open their mind to a different perspective by encouraging them to attend Deakin’s Open Days. This year we’re pulling out all the stops to show them Deakin life in one day! Our Open Day website openday.deakin.edu.au has been revamped and now features ‘My Planner’ under each campus, where students can filter the list of information sessions and add the ones they are interested in to their printable Open Day planner.

2015 OPEN DAY DATES

Warrnambool Campus – Sunday 2 August, 10 am–3 pm
Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus – Sunday 9 August, 9 am–3 pm
Geelong Waterfront Campus – Sunday 9 August, 9 am–3 pm
Melbourne Burwood Campus – Sunday 23 August, 9 am–4 pm

Introducing Deakin College

Deakin University and leading education provider Navitas are pleased to extend their long and successful partnership by renaming the Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology (MIBT) to Deakin College, effective 1 July 2015. Deakin College will continue to provide university pathway courses for domestic and international students, increasing access to higher education. The new college will provide an improved student experience, further streamlining the transition for students moving from Deakin College to Deakin University. For more information, visit deakincollege.edu.au.
OPEN DAY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

At Deakin, we recognise that it’s just as important for parents to be informed about their child’s university options as it is for future students. Here’s four reasons why parents should attend Open Day with their child:

• learn how the VTAC application process works
• find out about the costs of university, as well as financial assistance and scholarships
• gain an understanding of VCE prerequisites and extra requirements for course entry
• find out how Deakin equips students to make a successful transition to tertiary study through a range of support programs and services.

FREE REGIONAL SHUTTLE BUS

To assist students from regional Victoria to attend Deakin Open Days, we are organising free buses from regional centres to transport students to Open Day.

> To Warrnambool Campus Open Day – Sunday 2 August
  Buses will depart from Hamilton, Mt. Gambier, Portland, Ballarat, Mortlake, Geelong, Colac and Camperdown.

> To Geelong Waterfront and Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus.
  Open Day – Sunday 9 August, buses will depart from Ballarat.

> To Melbourne Burwood Campus Open Day – Sunday 23 August.
  Buses will depart from Bendigo, Ballarat, Shepparton, Sale, Traralgon or Warragul.

For more information and to register, visit openday.deakin.edu.au.

FREE ACCOMMODATION AT WARRNAMBOOL OPEN DAY

We are excited to offer complimentary accommodation at our Warrnambool student residences to prospective students and parents who will be attending our Warrnambool Campus Open Day on Sunday 2 August. The accommodation is available on the evening prior to Open Day (Saturday 1 August) and will allow you to experience our accommodation facilities, as well as be on site early to experience all that Open Day has to offer. A complimentary buffet dinner and trivia night is also included.

There are only 50 beds available. Book your place now at deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/why-choose-deakin/accommodation-offer.

OPEN DAY HIGHLIGHTS

IBM WATSON
Meet Watson, a supercomputer that learns more the more you interact with it. Come ask Watson a question to test its knowledge.

VIRTUAL REALITY CAVE
(Geelong Waurn Ponds and Melbourne Burwood Campus)
Come and experience the VR CAVE (CAVE Automated Virtual Environment) – a unique facility providing the opportunity to walk through virtual reality representations of products, which have yet to be realised, such as a prototype compressed air powered car or ball robot! Visitors will be able to experience and interact with the technology and talk to our experts working in the field.

CRIME SCENE HOUSE
(Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus)
Don’t miss out on joining the Crime Scene House Tour. Participants will be encouraged to look for forensic evidence in a mock crime scene to try and uncover what happened.

CREATIVE ARTS SHOWCASE
(Geelong Waterfront and Melbourne Burwood Campus)
Check out our amazing suite of creative arts courses. Take part in the Camera Obscura and enter into a world of visual illusion and wonder! There will also be the chance to see student work on display, tour our design studios and chat with students about how Deakin can open the door to a world of creative opportunities.

TELSTRA TRADING ROOM
(Melbourne Burwood Campus)
Deakin Business School is launching the new, state-of-the-art Telstra Trading Room at the Melbourne Burwood Campus Open Day. There will be live demonstrations of the trading room, as well as entertainment, competitions and student information sessions for those interested in studying at commerce at Deakin.
What tips do you have for prospective students on how to get the most out of Open Day?

‘Ask questions, definitely, and learn more about being on campus, cloud and other opportunities. I wish I had learnt more about my campus and done tours rather than spending time focusing solely on my course.’

‘Make sure to bring a notepad and list down the positives and negatives of the university and the course you’re interested in. This list will come in handy to help you decide when choosing the right path towards your future career.’

‘Take in the vibe of the campus, not just the course information!’

‘I would recommend coming with a group of people who are going to give you the space and time you need to see all the areas you want to. Coming with a group of friends can be great so you learn more about the courses that they are interested in as well as yours. But make sure that if there’s something specific that you want to see, you get that opportunity even if it’s not something that other people are interested in. At the end of the day it’s your future not theirs!’

What did you learn when you attended Deakin’s Open Day as a prospective student?

‘I remember learning that you could join clubs and teams as a Deakin student, which I thought looked pretty cool and like it would be a great way to make new friends. I also saw how approachable all the students were and how passionate they were about their degree and about Deakin in general. It felt like a very inclusive atmosphere which was different to some of the other Open Days that I had been to.’

‘I learnt a lot of broad information about my faculty, and then some more information specifically on my course. I learnt about lectures and tutorials, and some differences between high school and university.’

‘I learnt about what types of accommodation was offered. Seeing it in person was a lot better than just reading about it and seeing photographs.’

‘I would have made more friends with other students attending Open Day. It would have made the day more fun! Add them to your facebook, send them an email or tweet, because it sure feels relieving to know someone on the first day of university!’

‘I wouldn’t have been afraid to ask questions and I would have had a plan for what I wanted to be shown.’

‘I would have made sure that I spoke to current students, as they give more in depth details.’

‘I would have checked out courses I had general interest in, not just ones I had my heart set on.’

‘Take in the vibe of the campus, not just the course information!’
This month’s recommendation is from Student Recruitment Officer, Jenna McMeel.

The David Parkin Oration for Sport and Social Change delivered by the Hon. Jeff Kennett AC, focused on ‘Professionalism of sport – a threat to good health’. Mr Kennett reflected on his work with beyondblue to address the impact that sport and sporting figures can play in raising awareness of depression and anxiety. The oration certainly left the audience thinking about sport and health from a different perspective.

Listen to the oration here: [http://adobe.ly/1NxrxjJ](http://adobe.ly/1NxrxjJ) and see whether it changes your perspective!