

# CAREERS NETWORK BULLETIN

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS CLOSE

19 OCTOBER

### VTAC CHANGE OF PREFERENCE PERIOD AND DEAKIN ACTIVITIES

17-24 DECEMBER

### FAREWELL TO LAUREN STRATHIE AND WELCOME BACK JENNY ROWELL

The Deakin Student Recruitment team is sad to farewell Lauren Strathie who departs on 11 October. Lauren has made a great contribution to the team and we wish her all the very best.

Not all is lost, however, as we welcome back to the team Jenny Rowell, who has returned from maternity leave.

## DEAKIN CHANGE OF PREFERENCE ACTIVITIES 17-24 DECEMBER

Change of Preference is an exciting time for your students to find information about getting into Deakin. They can ask questions via our hotline, or come along to one of our information sessions to speak one-on-one with course advisers and current students. We are also running online chat sessions where students can chat online with Deakin staff.

### 17-21 DECEMBER

#### Live chat session 9 am-5 pm

Chat online with Deakin staff and students and find out all you need to know about changing your preferences and getting into Deakin.

Register online at [deakin.edu.au/cop](http://deakin.edu.au/cop).

### 17-21 DECEMBER

#### Drop in sessions 9 am-5 pm

Worldly Careers Centre, Warrnambool City Centre, 165 Timor Street, Warrnambool  
Focus: chat one-on-one with Deakin representatives about our courses and living in Warrnambool.

### 18 DECEMBER

#### Deakin information expo 3-7 pm

Melbourne Burwood Campus, 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood  
Focus: information sessions, expo and campus tours.

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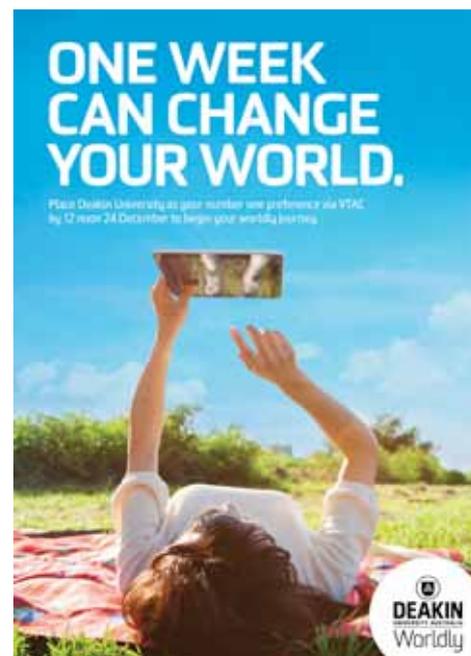
#### Drop-in session 6-8 pm

Hobsons Bay Library, corner of Millers and McArthurs Roads, Altona North  
Focus: courses, campuses, support services and Deakin at Your Doorstep.

### 18-20 DECEMBER

#### Walk and talk tours 12-1.30 pm

Warrnambool Campus, Princes Highway, Warrnambool  
Focus: courses, campuses, accommodation, support services and Deakin at Your Doorstep.



### 19 DECEMBER

#### Deakin information expo 3-7 pm

Geelong Waurrn Ponds Campus, 75 Pigdons Road, Waurrn Ponds  
Focus: information sessions, expo and campus tours.

### 20 DECEMBER

#### Deakin information expo 3-7 pm

Geelong Waterfront Campus, 1 Gheringhap Street, Geelong  
Focus: information sessions, expo and campus tours.

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## DEAKIN'S FIVE STAR RATING

Recently, our Vice-Chancellor Professor Jane den Hollander announced Deakin's five star rating.

'I am absolutely delighted to announce that Deakin University is to be awarded a five star rating by the prestigious university ranking organisation Quacquarelli Symonds (QS). The award was conferred to Deakin University at a ceremony at Trinity College Dublin on 11 September, prior to the Annual European Association for International Education (EAIE) Conference.

'This is a major achievement for Deakin and recognises the excellent work of all our staff. The five star rating sends a clear message to all of our communities about our progress and continuing quality improvement in everything we do. QS publishes the World University Rankings of the world's top 700 universities and Deakin has performed well in this ranking. QS Stars is a relatively new innovation. It is not a ranking system but rates individual universities against objective criteria using a comprehensive set of indicators in addition to those used in the rankings. Universities are then given a star rating from one star to five stars plus. Australian universities that participate in QS stars have ratings between two stars up to the maximum of five star plus (only one Australian University is in this category).

'A five star rating is awarded to universities that score at least 700 points out of a maximum of 1000. It indicates that the university is considered to be world-class in a broad range of areas, has cutting-edge facilities, and is internationally renowned for its research and teaching faculty.'

**Professor Jane den Hollander**  
Vice-Chancellor



## ENGINEERING AT DEAKIN AND THE VTAC GUIDE

### S367 Bachelor of Engineering

Deakin University offers a Bachelor of Engineering with four streams:

- Civil
- Electrical and electronics
- Mechatronics and robotics
- Mechanical

Students undertake common subjects in first year, before choosing to specialise in civil, mechanical, electrical and electronics, or mechatronics and robotics engineering.

This format helps students to make a more informed decision as well as gain a broad base of knowledge in engineering.

When applying, students should be encouraged to list the engineering streams in their order of preference in VTAC (just as if they would for other courses), assuming they know which area they wish to study. Those that are unsure should be encouraged to list the preference that sounds the most interesting to them at this time. But please emphasise that there is the

flexibility to internally move from one major to another after the first year.

Following the selection period, all students will be placed into the one course code which is S367 Bachelor of Engineering.

For more information contact:  
Faculty of Science and Technology  
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Phone 03 9244 6699  
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## DEAKIN SCHOLARSHIPS

Deakin University offers several scholarships for future and current students.

We have changed the bursary for our Access Deakin Scholarships so that students can now determine what they need to spend the money on.

For a full range of scholarships offered at Deakin, go to [deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/scholarships-and-awards](https://deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/scholarships-and-awards).

## NOW MORE WAYS TO STUDY PSYCHOLOGY AT DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

The **H345 Bachelor of Psychology** is a four-year degree offered at Melbourne Burwood, Geelong Waurin Ponds and Warrnambool campuses and is designed to enable students to complete a four-year sequence in psychology that complies with requirements for provisional registration as a psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia (PBA) and for associate membership of the Australian Psychological Society (APS).

The Bachelor of Psychology comprises the three-year undergraduate major sequence in psychology and the fourth-year honours program in psychology, which are currently offered separately.

An undergraduate **psychology major sequence** is also available to students enrolled in the following degrees:

**H344 Bachelor of Applied Science (Psychology)** – a three-year degree offered at Melbourne Burwood, Geelong Waurin Ponds and Warrnambool campuses, and now also available off campus.

**H300 Bachelor of Health Sciences (with a major in psychology)** – a three-year degree offered at Melbourne Burwood, Geelong Waurin Ponds and Warrnambool campuses and the psychology major subjects can be studied off campus.

**D387 Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Applied Science (psychology)** – a four-year combined degree offered at Melbourne Burwood, Geelong Waurin Ponds and Warrnambool campuses.

**D391 Bachelor of Health Sciences/Bachelor of Arts** – a four-year combined degree offered at Melbourne Burwood Campus.

**A301 Bachelor of Arts (psychology)** – a new three-year degree offered at Melbourne Burwood, Geelong Waurin Ponds and Warrnambool campuses.

Students may also take up to eight psychology subjects as electives in the **Bachelor of Arts** which is a three-year degree offered at Melbourne, Geelong Waurin Ponds and Warrnambool campuses. (Students wishing to complete the extra two subjects which will allow them to apply for further studies in psychology, will be required to pay full fees for these two subjects.)

In fact, students studying any Deakin bachelors degree, where non-specified electives are available, may be able to take up to eight psychology subjects as electives.

Students who successfully complete any of the degrees above, with the recognised psychology sequence, and meet the entry level requirements, are eligible to apply for further studies in psychology, either honours or the Graduate Diploma of Psychology, which is a recognised fourth year equivalent of honours.

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## STUDENT SNAP SHOT – PSYCHOLOGY

Georgina is studying a Bachelor of Psychology at Deakin's Geelong Waurm Ponds Campus. She chose Deakin because 'it offers a fantastic psychology course,' she says. 'I really enjoy mixing with people who share the same passion for this fascinating science and studies in mental health.'



Georgina identifies some of the highlights of the course as the accessibility and support provided by the academic staff.

'The interaction we have with our tutors and lecturers is fantastic. They are approachable and encourage us to ask questions, making the learning environment really interactive. They have been so supportive and it is clear they are passionate about seeing students excel in their studies.'

Georgina also enjoyed the flexibility offered within the course. In addition to the compulsory psychology units that are a core component of the degree, students can choose up to 8 credit points of elective study from other areas of the University. Georgina took advantage of this flexibility to explore her interests in journalism and children's literature. She also undertook elective studies in coaching and counselling, and the role of psychology in the criminal justice system. The possibilities are numerous and diverse.

'Throughout the course I have been encouraged to extend my learning and have also acquired valuable skills in communication and critical thinking that are preparing me for a successful career in psychology.'

Georgina is in the final year of her degree and is currently undertaking honours.

'I am really enjoying my honours year and am passionate about my research project which is about breast cancer survivorship in young women.'

### Course overview

Name: Bachelor of Psychology  
Location: Melbourne Burwood Campus,  
Geelong Waurm Ponds Campus,  
Warrnambool Campus.

For more information, please contact  
Health – Student and Academic Services  
(health-enquire@deakin.edu.au or 9251 7777).

## READ STUDENT BLOGS ON TUMBLR

Our professional and creative writing students went on study tour to Scandinavia in June/July and have created this inspirational blog, [2012noirstudytour.tumblr.com](http://2012noirstudytour.tumblr.com).

Meanwhile, our visual communication design students are working on the creative marketing collateral for their upcoming festival – see their project updates at [dfestival.tumblr.com](http://dfestival.tumblr.com).

## GOOD NEWS FOR MIBT AUSTRALIAN GRADUATES LOOKING FOR ENTRY TO DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

MIBT is pleased to announce that the Weighted Average Mark (WAM) required by Australian students for entry into Deakin University in 2014 has been reviewed. Evidence has shown that MIBT graduates perform well in second year. The outcome of the review is the University and MIBT agreed WAMs be reduced allowing opportunities for more students to continue their pathway to Deakin and gain Commonwealth supported places in second year and thereafter.

In summary, most courses at Burwood will require 60 per cent WAM and courses

at Geelong Waurm Ponds and Waterfront campuses will require 50–55 per cent WAM. There are selected degrees that will require a higher WAM. For example, students aiming for the Bachelor of Laws at Deakin University will need to achieve 70 per cent WAM (all campuses) and are no longer required to apply through VTAC and sit the Australian Law Schools Entrance Test (ALSET).

Transfer guidelines for all courses are located at [www.mibt.vic.edu.au/apply-today/transfers](http://www.mibt.vic.edu.au/apply-today/transfers).

Need more information? Call MIBT on 9244 5600 to talk to Carol, Rebecca or Cathy.