UPCOMING EVENTS

CAREER PRACTITIONERS’ DAY, MELBOURNE BURWOOD CAMPUS
1 MARCH

PARENT TERTIARY INFORMATION SESSION, WARRNAMBOOL
18 APRIL

CAREER PRACTITIONERS’ DAY, GEELONG WAURN PONDS CAMPUS
26 APRIL

DIRECT APPLICATION TO DEAKIN NOW OPEN

On behalf of our team we would like to thank all Careers Practitioners for their wonderful support during the 2012 Change of Preference period. We hope to continue this collaboration into 2013.

Direct applications for Deakin undergraduate courses open on 26 January and close on 17 February 2013. Students who did not submit a VTAC application or who previously applied but now wish to be considered for a course they did not place on their preference list or for courses they were not considered for during negotiated offers are encouraged to apply. Students can also come on campus, speak with our staff and apply on 7 February at the Warrnambool City Centre and Geelong Waterfront from 4.30–6.30 pm or at our Burwood campus on 12 February from 5–7 pm. Further information on eligibility requirements, event details and how to apply can be found at: deakin.edu.au/direct.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSE GUIDE AND CAREER BOOKLETS, 2014

The Undergraduate Course Guide for this year will be printed at the start of March, and we plan to have them delivered to you by mid-March.

So look out for them. You will be able to order additional copies online or via the fax back form.

We are also producing the career booklets, which highlight all of our disciplines and career outcomes. These will be available in mid-April.

DEAKIN CAREERS PRACTITIONERS’ SEMINARS

Deakin University would like to invite you to attend our 2013 Careers Practitioners’ Seminars to hear about the Deakin worldly experience.

You have the option of attending one or both of the seminars:
9 am–2.30 pm, Friday 1 March, 2013, Melbourne Burwood Campus
9 am–2.30 pm, Friday 26 April, Geelong waterfront and Geelong Waurn Ponds campuses.

Each day will contribute three hours towards your professional development against the CICA and VIT standards (CEAV approved).

Keep an eye out for you invitation which will arrive in the mail soon.

For further information and to register, visit deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/why-choose-deakin/careers-advisers.

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, visit: deakin.edu.au/future-students/campus-tours.

Our 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.
The Deakin Regional Community Health Hub (REACH) was completed in December 2012 providing additional space for the Faculty of Health.

The Hub welcomed in its first group of occupants Faculty of Health staff members from the Office of the Pro-Vice Chancellor (Health), School of Exercise and Nutrition Sciences and Deakin Optometry.

REACH occupies 6,800 sq m at Deakin University’s Geelong Campus at Waurn Ponds and will accommodate 1500 students and 172 staff, and serve as a hub, providing electronic outreach training support to partner agencies. The new three-level building will be linked to the adjoining medical research (MRU – Metabolic Research Unit) and teaching infrastructure (School of Medicine) and will include a 200-seat lecture theatre, tutorial and problem-based learning rooms, simulation centre, laboratories, offices and student facilities, all fully equipped with AV and ICT equipment.

From March, Bachelor of Vision Science (H310) and the Master of Optometry (H710) students will have access to a state of the art mock optometry store which introduces new teaching programs in clinical optometry.

Students arriving into the REACH building, studying Exercise and Sports Science, can look forward to exclusive use of the biomechanics laboratory, exercise and physiology laboratory, strength and conditioning laboratory and access to a state of the art PC1 teaching laboratory for the study of anatomy. Now in its second year, the Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science will have approximately 150 students, including 80 students commencing their studies in March. A new research physiology facility will also be available to research staff and students from the School of Exercise and Nutrition Sciences.

REACH will respond to the critical health workforce shortage in regional and rural Australia, particularly for professional optometrists and exercise scientists. This shortage can be resolved by recruiting students from rural and regional Australia, and ensuring that training is also undertaken in rural and regional areas. REACH delivers major social and economic benefits to Geelong and Western Victoria with 850 new jobs and $140 million per year. REACH aims to increase higher education opportunities for regional areas and indigenous communities through stronger partnerships.

REACH will also provide improved opportunities for people in rural, regional and low SES communities to access Deakin’s Higher Education Health programs – initially in Western Victoria and then throughout Australia. Through industry and education partnerships that share resources and use modern communications, REACH’s engaged form of learning will contribute to achieving the Government’s access and attainment targets for higher education.

Through an innovative e-learning service, ‘Deakin Health Online’, REACH will provide new opportunities for health students and practitioners in rural and regional areas to access higher education. It will act as an electronic hub, connecting workplaces to provide remote clinical supervision, tele-teaching and professional development.
THE BUSINESS AND LAW PEER MENTORING PROGRAM

We know that giving students a great education is so much more than just the courses we offer.

As a result, in the last two Australian Graduate Surveys, Deakin’s Faculty of Business and Law has rated as number 1 in Victoria for course satisfaction. In place are well researched and resourced programs to ensure a rich educational, cultural and social experience for students so that in today’s business environment they are confident, ‘work ready’ and ‘world savvy’. A large part of our great student satisfaction results comes from a strong transition and orientation program.

The Business and Law Peer Mentoring Program is an optional program for commencing students designed to assist not only in their orientation, but across their entire first year at Deakin. The mentor program is carefully organized to support commencing students who are matched with more experienced students as mentors. With three to four students per mentor, students are matched firstly by course (and major) and then a mix of culture and gender, as this has been shown to provide the best balance and outcomes. Students meet regularly, face-to-face and via email. Mentors provide support, advice and information across all aspects of the mentee’s study and are great role models. Some of the issues mentors assist with are social integration, differences in role models. The Business and Law Peer Mentoring Program is an optional program for commencing students designed to assist not only in their orientation, but across their entire first year at Deakin. The mentor program is carefully organized to support commencing students who are matched with more experienced students as mentors. With three to four students per mentor, students are matched firstly by course (and major) and then a mix of culture and gender, as this has been shown to provide the best balance and outcomes. Students meet regularly, face-to-face and via email. Mentors provide support, advice and information across all aspects of the mentee’s study and are great role models. Some of the issues mentors assist with are social integration, differences in learning styles, critical thinking and application of learning in the real world, time management, managing study materials and building confidence to participate in discussion. These groups are also an excellent way to make new friends.

DEAKIN AT YOUR DOORSTEP

Deakin has arrived in Craigieburn at the Hume Global Learning Centre.

Do you have students who are still considering their study options for 2013? If so, why not consider one of the programs offered via Deakin at Your Doorstep in Craigieburn? This year students can study either:

- Deakin’s Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences, studied alongside a Kangan Institute diploma or
- Deakin’s Bachelor of Applied Science (Psychology).

To find out more come along to an information session:

Session 1
Wednesday 6 February 2013, 6–7 pm
Craigieburn Global Learning Centre 75–95 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn

Session 2
Thursday 14 February 2013, 1–2 pm
Craigieburn Global Learning Centre 75–95 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn

Deakin is still taking applications for our 2013 intake.

The Associate Degree is also offered at:
- GOTAFE – Wangaratta
- SunTAFE – Swan Hill
- Chisholm – Mornington Peninsula and Dandenong
- Advance TAFE – Bairnsdale
- South West TAFE – Portland

For information on all courses offered via Deakin at Your Doorstep visit deakin.edu.au/doorstep or phone 1300 753 680.

GREAT NEWS – MIBT HAS IMPLEMENTED NEW INITIATIVES FOR 2013

- **Diploma of Science**: Commencing eligible students from a non-Year 12 science background will be given the opportunity to enrol in a Foundation Year Chemistry unit at no extra cost.
- **Diploma of Engineering**: Commencing eligible students from a non-Year 12 science background will be given the opportunity to enrol in a Foundation Year Physics unit at no extra cost.
- **MIBT also continues to offer two Foundation Year Advanced Mathematics units to Diploma of Engineering** students who do not have the maths prerequisite for direct entry to engineering at Deakin University. The first attempt in these units are free for eligible students, but repeating the units will incur a cost as these two units are a prerequisite to progression and successful completion of the Diploma of Engineering.

Places in all courses at MIBT are still available for Trimester 1 in March 2013. Students may apply directly at www.mibt.vic.edu.au/apply-today or contact MIBT at 9244 5600.