SEAS APPLICATIONS FOR 2012

Deakin is committed to widening the participation and success of students from all backgrounds. VTAC and associated SEAS and scholarship applications are now open.

Please note the following changes regarding SEAS:

» the previous 10 categories have been reclassified into 6 categories for 2012 applicants
» most change has been to Category 1 ‘Personal Information and Location,’ which now contains many previously independent sub categories (including recognition of Indigenous Australians, rural location and under-representation)
» VTAC will automatically sort eligibility for Category 1. Students need to select ‘Yes’ to be considered

Deakin is pleased and proud to be accepting candidates for SEAS Categories 1-5.

NB: Deakin University’s under-represented schools list has been modified slightly with a number of new schools added, while all schools on the previous list have been carried over. The complete list can be found at: www.deakin.edu.au/access-equity.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

We are pleased to advise that two new Deakin publications are now available, the Scholarships Guide 2012 and the Accommodation Guide 2012.

Scholarships guides will be mailed to your school during September and accommodation guides can be requested online at: www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/careers-advisers/publications.

Accommodation Guide 2012
This guide provides a comprehensive outline of the excellent living and learning experience available at Deakin.

Scholarships Guide 2012
This guide provides essential information about Deakin scholarships and how to apply.

To view Deakin publications online visit: www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/brochures.
COURSE UPDATES

Bachelor of Vision Science / Master of Optometry

Deakin University is excited to introduce the Bachelor of Vision Science with a Master of Optometry. Commencing in 2012 at the Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus, this course is the only program of its kind in Victoria and can be completed in three-and-a-half years of full-time study.

Based in the brand new, purpose-built Regional Community Health Hub (REACH), students will undertake the Bachelor of Vision Science component of the program during the first two years of the course and will complete studies in health, medical and vision science, business and management disciplines. Students will then progress to the Master of Optometry for the final year-and-a-half when case-based and team-based learning is the predominant teaching method.

Clinical placements are an integral part of the program and enable students to consolidate their knowledge and skills under the supervision of qualified optometrists. During the first three years, students will participate in a variety of short-term industry placements in a range of clinical settings including hospitals and community health centres in and around Geelong and Melbourne. These placements will prepare students for the final trimester of study when they will undertake intensive industry-based learning placements as a ‘student resident’.

Important information for interested students

Course name: Bachelor of Vision Science / Master of Optometry
Location: Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus
Duration: 3.5 years full-time study
Prerequisites: VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.
VTAC Code: 15541

NB: The UMAT is not required for this course.

Changes to psychology at Deakin

The course options for students interested in studying psychology at Deakin in 2012 have changed. The Bachelor of Psychology will only be offered to domestic students for 2012 entry. This four-year course is available at the Melbourne Burwood Campus, Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus and Warrnambool Campus and includes honours for eligible students. International students should therefore apply for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Psychology) which is available at the Melbourne Burwood Campus. Domestic entry will not be available for this course in 2012.

Students interested in psychology may also consider undertaking a psychology major as part of the Bachelor of Health Sciences which, if successfully completed, can lead to further study in psychology and registration as a psychologist.

Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science update

The Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science will be offered at the Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus from 2012. This course can lead into careers within sport, exercise, coaching and fitness industries, as well as sports administration, facility management and community health and wellness.

Bachelor of Creative Arts (Drama)

Entry requirements for the Bachelor of Creative Arts (Drama) course have eased. Students are no longer required to audition and entry will be based on ATAR.

This is an ideal course for people interested in contemporary drama skill development, interpretation and performance. The course combines theoretical study, professional practice and experience within a program of collaboration across arts disciplines.
The equipment in Deakin University’s new civil engineering laboratory might look to be on a small scale, but the outcomes for students and the wider community are enormous. The new $3.5 million laboratory at Deakin’s Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus is dedicated to the teaching and research associated with Deakin’s civil engineering programs.

‘Having this new laboratory means we can expose our students to the real world practical applications of the civil engineering program,’ says the head of Deakin’s civil engineering program, Professor Bas Baskaran. The laboratory is used for a range of experiments, from testing the structural health of bridges, to identifying the impact of rainfall on the soil stability of embankments and trialing waste water treatment systems for water reuse in industry.

Having small scale equipment not only saves on space, it also has the potential to allow Deakin students to conduct experiments from home. ‘Traditional civil engineering laboratories have massive pieces of equipment that take up huge amounts of space,’ Professor Baskaran said. ‘We have opted for bench-scale models that provide the same outcomes as the larger equipment, but take up less room.

‘The added advantage of small-scale equipment means we can add remote control access and our off-campus students will be able to operate the equipment and see the experiments taking place remotely via their computers.’

Along with the small equipment, the civil engineering laboratory includes larger equipment used to perform tests on concrete, steel or timber elements taken from buildings and bridges to test structural load strength.
**POSTGRADUATE INFORMATION NIGHTS**

For those considering further study into coursework, honours, or research.

For students thinking just that one step ahead and already considering postgraduate studies by coursework, research or honours, Deakin’s Postgraduate Information Nights may provide all they need to know. To be held at the RACV Club, Melbourne on Tuesday 4 October and the Melbourne Burwood Campus on Tuesday 11 October from 5 pm, these information nights will provide prospective postgraduate students with course information, a great chance to speak to program supervisors and current students, and opportunities to ask questions during information sessions. Further information is available at [www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/postgrad/news-events](http://www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/postgrad/news-events).

**POSTGRADUATE INFORMATION NIGHTS**

**RACV CLUB**
Tuesday 4 October 2011
5 pm–7 pm
RACV Club, Level 2
501 Bourke Street
Melbourne Victoria

**MELBOURNE BURWOOD CAMPUS**
Tuesday 11 October 2011
5 pm–7.30 pm
Deakin University, Building LB
70 Elgar Road
Burwood Victoria

**DISCOVER DEAKIN DAY**

For those who were unable to attend Open Day, ‘Discover Deakin’ is another opportunity to visit our campuses and get an inside look at what Deakin has to offer.

**Melbourne Burwood Campus:**
Tuesday 27 September, 6 pm–8 pm

**Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus:**
Tuesday 27 September, 11 am–1 pm

**Geelong Waterfront Campus:**
Tuesday 27 September, 6 pm–8 pm

**Warrnambool Campus:**
Tuesday 27 September, 11 am–1 pm

At each event students will have the opportunity to:
- get a closer look at our vibrant campuses and the features of Deakin University.
- All tours are guided by current Deakin students and will provide access to lecture theatres, classrooms, labs, student service areas and much more
- find out about Deakin’s range of courses, study options and services. Visitors will have the opportunity to speak with Deakin staff and students about study areas, courses and our flexible study options, as well as other opportunities including Gap Year and Study Abroad programs. Students can also find out about pathways options to Deakin
- speak with current Deakin students one on one and find out what it’s like to study at Deakin University. They’ll share their experiences and answer questions about student life.


**FAREWELL**

The Deakin undergraduate marketing team would like to say farewell to project officer, Emily Bowser, and wish her luck in her new adventures.

If you have any queries, please don’t hesitate to contact any of our team members listed to the left, or email future-students@deakin.edu.au.