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Applying for courses in 2025

Organisation: Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre

Location: Online **Date:** August 5, 2025

Finishing year 12 this year? You'll apply for courses at Victorian universities, TAFE institutes, and independent tertiary colleges via VTAC, the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre. Join our webinar to find out more about what you need to do. Join the VTAC team for a live webinar which will cover all aspects of the VTAC application process - from finding course information and making sure you're eligible, all the way through to actually receiving an offer. You'll have the opportunity to ask questions throughout, so join us to find out everything you need to know about getting to uni, TAFE, or college next year!

Find out more and register

Access Monash – Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Panel

Organisation: Monash University

Location: Online **Date:** August 6, 2025

Hear from current Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences students about their experiences studying Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, including their favourite subjects, how the course progresses, what drew them to studying a Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences degree, and what other opportunities they've had since starting their degree at Monash. Live Q&A included.

<u>Access Monash</u> enhances opportunities for secondary students from low Socio-Economic Status (SES) backgrounds and regional or remote locations, helping them improve their educational outcomes and transform their lives.

Find out more and register

Pathways into Medicine and Dentistry Live Webinar

Organisation: National Institute of Education

Location: Online **Date:** August 6, 2025

This forum is an excellent opportunity for teachers, students and their parents to find out about the UCAT, pathways into medicine, and have all questions answered by an expert teacher who has been working in the field since 1999. The session is packed with invaluable information during which we will be covering the following topics, and more:

- What is UCAT? UCAT scores? UCAT Sub-tests?
- Year 10, 11 and 12 things to consider now
- The undergraduate selection criteria
- Application process into universities for medicine and dentistry
- When and who can sit the UCAT?
- GAMSAT
- Can you prepare for the UCAT?

Visual Arts Online Session

Organisation: Melbourne Polytechnic

Location: Online **Date:** August 7, 2025

Find out more about the following course(s):

- Certificate III in Visual ArtsCertificate IV in Visual Arts
- Advanced Diploma of Creative Product Development
- Diploma of Visual Arts Illustration

Find out more and register

Chisholm Campus Tours – August

Organisation: Chisholm Institute

Location: Chisholm Berwick, Dandenong & Frankston Campus

Date: August 7, 2025

Join us for a campus tour and see Chisholm up close. You'll be able to walk through our facilities, guided by a Chisholm representative who can answer your questions about campus life, career pathways and our range of courses. Register for a campus tour so you can:

- See our facilities
- Learn about our range of courses and the career pathways available
- Find out if a course at Chisholm is right for you

Find out more and register

ComputeFest 2025: Discover Tech Studies at UniMelb

Organisation: University of Melbourne **Location:** UniMelb Parkville Campus

Date: August 9, 2025

ComputeFest is an opportunity for anyone in Year 10 - 12 who's interested in studying a STEM-related degree to get their first taste of tech at UniMelb!

If you don't know us yet: CISSA is the largest tech club at UniMelb, hosting events throughout the year for all students specialising in technology and building a community for all tech-lover students! We'll be taking you through:

- Industry Experience in Technology Panel: Join us for an insightful discussion featuring professionals from leading tech companies as they share their experiences and career journeys.
- Student Experiences in Tech Panel: Discover what it's like to study science and technology at university, with students from disciplines like computer science, data science, and more sharing their journeys.
- Programming Workshops: Cover the basics of Python with our tutors, who will guide you through hands-on coding, step by step, with no prior experience required!

We encourage you to come along if you're in high school, or tell anyone you know who might be interested! Find out more and register

Medical Interviews Preparation Workshop Online

Organisation: National Institute of Education

Location: Online

Date: August 9 to August 10, 2025

The unique NIE workshop program aims for students to gain an in-depth understanding and required knowledge of the medical interview processes for specific universities, including Multi-station Mini Interview (MMI), Structured, and Semi-structured panel interviews.

The workshop is structured and based on the models that are taught during our proven one-on-one personalised medical interview sessions. It will allow each and every attendee to learn the required skills and practical understanding for the university from which they received an interview offer.

ACU Open Day 2025, Melbourne

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: ACU Melbourne Campus

Date: August 10, 2025

Open Day is your chance to find out everything you need to know about studying at ACU before you enrol. You'll be able to check out the campus, meet staff and students, discuss entry pathways, and talk to experts about your study options and career goals.

Find out more and register

RMIT Open Day 2025, Brunswick

Organisation: RMIT University Location: RMIT Brunswick Campus

Date: August 10, 2025

RMIT Open Day is your chance to experience what it's like to be an RMIT student. Get to know your surroundings, explore the campus, meet your future teachers, ask questions and make friends. It's your

opportunity to learn all the tips and tricks from current students and alumni.

Find out more and register

RMIT Open Day 2025, City

Organisation: RMIT University Location: RMIT City Campus Date: August 10, 2025

RMIT Open Day is your chance to experience what it's like to be an RMIT student. Get to know your surroundings, explore the campus, meet your future teachers, ask questions and make friends. It's your opportunity to learn all the tips and tricks from current students and alumni.

Find out more and register

Federation Open Day 2025, Gippsland

Organisation: Federation University **Location:** Federation Gippsland Campus

Date: August 10, 2025

Experience Open Day at Federation University. From campus tours to live music and hands-on experiences, there's something for everyone.

Why come to Open Day?

- Tour the campus with current students
- Meet our academics, students and industry partners
- Enjoy food stalls, live music, games and giveaways
- Attend info sessions with expert course advice

Find out more and register

Access Monash - Science Student Panel

Organisation: Monash University

Location: Online
Date: August 13, 2025

Hear from current Science students about their experiences studying Science, including their favourite subjects, how the course progresses, what drew them to studying a Science degree, and what other opportunities they've had since starting their degree at Monash. Live Q&A included.

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Understanding equity schemes and scholarships

Organisation: Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre

Location: Online Date: August 14, 2025

Have you been affected by educational disadvantage or want to find out more about financial support for your tertiary studies? Our webinar will guide you through the key opportunities available to support your journey. We will speak about our equity program, the Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS), who is eligible and how to apply. We will also speak about merit based and access based scholarships, explaining the differences and also how to research scholarships and apply. Whether you're a student, a parent, or an educator, this webinar is designed to provide clarity and support you as you prepare your application for equity schemes and scholarships.

Find out more and register

Holmesglen Open Day, August 2025

Organisation: Holmesglen Institute of TAFE

Location: Holmesglen Campuses

Date: August 14, 2025

Open Day is a great opportunity for you to meet with teachers, explore our campuses and study facilities, and get a feel for Holmesglen life. Our sessions include presentations, tours and Q&As – perfect for helping you map out your future study and career plans. Plus, our friendly team is also available to help you apply on the day. Find out more and register

Monash Clayton Campus Tour

Organisation: Monash University **Location:** Monash Clayton Campus

Date: August 15, 2025

Join us for a 90-minute campus tour and discover all that Monash has to offer! Led by our friendly student ambassadors, you'll explore the outdoor spaces of our world-class campus, learn about student life, and have the chance to ask questions about studying at Monash.

Find out more and register

Whitehouse Open House 2025, Melbourne

Organisation: Whitehouse Institute of Design **Location:** Whitehouse Melbourne Campus

Date: August 16, 2025

Join Whitehouse this August to hear more about our design courses, join a free creative workshop or join an info session on where a career in design can take you.

Find out more and register

ADFA Open Day 2025

Organisation: Australian Defence Force Academy **Location:** ADFA Canberra Campus & Online

Date: August 16, 2025

Join us online or in person for ADFA Open Day to learn about life on campus and how you can receive a fully funded UNSW degree.

Don't worry if you can't make it in person, you can still attend ADFA Virtual Open Day online. Register now to reserve your spot at the online event, or join us in person with no registration required.

On the day, you will have the chance to:

- Explore world-class UNSW degrees, with information sessions about Business, Arts, Science, Engineering, Computing and Cyber Security.
- Learn about military training, studying and life on campus from current ADFA Trainee Officers.
- Watch a range of exciting military displays from Navy, Army and Air Force.
- Take a tour of the campus, and much more.

SAE Open Day 2025, Melbourne

Organisation: SAE University College **Location:** SAE Melbourne Campus

Date: August 16, 2025

We're opening the doors to the campus for our biggest event of the year - Open Day!

Come and tour our facilities, speak to faculty members, meet current students, and find out everything you need to know about studying at SAE. If you're considering studying creative media, come along to SAE's Open Day to speak to our experienced team and learn how you can pursue your passion in this dynamic and

expanding industry.

Find out more and register

VU Open Day 2025, Footscray Park

Organisation: Victoria University **Location:** VU Footscray Park Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

No one sees you like VU – and there's no better way to see all your possible study/career paths than coming to

our VU Open Day.

It's a day where you get to explore our campus, learn about our range of TAFE and Higher Education courses,

and dive into interactive events. You'll also find a place to belong – and discover what's next.

Find out more and register

Deakin Open Day 2025, Geelong

Organisation: Deakin University

Location: Deakin Geelong Waurn Ponds & Waterfront Campuses

Date: August 17, 2025

Deakin Open Day is your opportunity to experience everything Deakin has to offer at our Geelong campuses. Not sure what you want to study or where you want to study? Our free shuttle bus will transport you between campuses so you can maximise your day.

- Chat with lecturers about how a Deakin degree prepares you for a successful career.
- Attend information sessions to find your ideal course.
- Participate in demonstrations of our top-ranked facilities.
- Tour the campuses with current students and get all the insider information.
- Enjoy entertainment and activities while learning about student social clubs.

Find out more and register

Federation Open Day 2025, Berwick

Organisation: Federation University **Location:** Federation Berwick Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

Experience Open Day at Federation University. From campus tours to live music and hands-on experiences, there's something for everyone.

Why come to Open Day?

- Tour the campus with current students
- Meet our academics, students and industry partners
- Enjoy food stalls, live music, games and giveaways
- Attend info sessions with expert course advice

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Monash Open Day 2025, Parkville

Organisation: Monash University **Location:** Monash Parkville Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

If you're considering studying at uni, coming to our Open Day is one of the best decisions you can make. You'll be able to discover key course information, explore our campuses, meet current students and staff, and get a taste of Monash life, firsthand.

Whether you want to get a feel for what you'll be studying, make sure you're on the right track, or simply picture yourself in one of our learning spaces, here's why you should join us at Open Day:

- Chat with current students
- Hear from inspiring academics
- Get all your guestions answered in the one place
- Get involved
- Enjoy the vibe

Find out more and register

UniMelb Open Day 2025

Organisation: University of Melbourne **Location:** UniMelb Parkville Campus

Date: August 17, 2025

We look forward to welcoming you and your family to our campuses on Sunday 17 August 2025, to learn about your passions and to support you in finding the right study path.

What's on at Open Day:

- Chat to our academics, Future Student teams and current students to learn more about your study options and the exciting careers they could lead to
- Get a feel for campus life by exploring the spaces you'll be learning in, including our labs, libraries, galleries and other specialist facilities
- Learn how our curriculum works, including how you can combine your passions and strengths to set yourself apart for whichever career you choose
- Explore our range of student accommodation facilities and the social activities and study support on offer.

Find out more and register

National Fashion College Open Day 2025, Melbourne

Organisation: National Fashion College **Location:** NFC Melbourne Campus

Date: August 20, 2025

Unlock a world of limitless possibilities at National Fashion College, where your fashion journey begins at our iconic Melbourne Campus! Step into a realm of unmatched creativity and immerse yourself in the forefront of fashion innovation. Our pioneering courses, dynamic internship opportunities, and exclusive access to the buzz of Australian, New York, and London Fashion Weeks will propel you into the heart of the global fashion scene. Get ready to be inspired, challenged, and transformed - we can't wait to welcome you! There will be two sessions available on the day: one from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm, and another from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm. If these times don't suit you, you can always book in for a private appointment or tour instead.

Find out more and register

JMC Melbourne August 2025 Open Day

Organisation: IMC Academy **Location:** JMC Melbourne Campus

Date: August 23, 2025

This is your chance to see our multi-million dollar world-class facilities - future students, parents and friends welcome.

Things to do at Open Day:

- Explore your creative future and learn about our courses
- Meet our current students and industry expert lecturers
- Check out live student performances
- Tour our world-class facilities and tech
- Speak to us about the admissions process
- Get hands-on with our interactive activations

Torrens Open Day 2025, Melbourne

Organisation: Torrens University Australia **Location:** Torrens Flinders Street Campus

Date: August 23, 2025

Come and meet our academics and Future Student Advisors, who will be able to answer all your questions about early entry, scholarships, entry pathways and our world-class facilities. Explore our campus and see firsthand how exciting studying in Melbourne can be.

Find out more and register

Deakin Open Day 2025, Melbourne

Organisation: Deakin University

Location: Deakin Melbourne Burwood Campus

Date: August 24, 2025

Open Day 2025 is your opportunity to experience everything Deakin has to offer at our campus in Burwood.

- Chat with lecturers about how a Deakin degree prepares you for a successful career.
- Attend information sessions to find your ideal course.
- Participate in demonstrations of our top-ranked facilities.
- Tour the campuses with current students and get all the insider information.
- Enjoy entertainment and activities while learning about student social clubs.

Find out more and register

VU Open Day 2025, City Tower

Organisation: Victoria University **Location:** VU City Tower Campus

Date: August 24, 2025

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It's a day where you get to explore our campus, learn about our range of TAFE and Higher Education courses, and dive into interactive events. You'll also find a place to belong – and discover what's next.

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Collarts Open Day 2025

Organisation: Australian College of the Arts

Location: All Collarts Campuses

Date: August 30, 2025

At Collarts, our Open Day is all about making this process simple and hands-on. Information sessions, workshops and the chance to chat with students, teachers and leaders are an important part of learning more about what sets us apart from the rest.

We invite you to come and experience life at Collarts: from our passion for creativity, close community, state-of-the-art facilities, expert faculty, and more.

Find out more and register

AIE Online Campus Day

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: Online **Date:** August 30, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Online Campus Day. AIE will be running this event for students interested in studying online. You will be able to meet our teachers, explore how classes will run, course options, career pathways and see our amazing student work.

We will be covering everything you need to know about the:

- careers in games and VFX that we train students for;
- studios and industries that we work with;
- courses we offer from beginners to professional mastery, and;
- the software, skills and knowledge we teach.

Torrens Technology Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online

Date: September 2, 2025

Join online as our as our Technology academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

Torrens Health and Education Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online

Date: September 2, 2025

Join online as our Health and Education academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with

global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

Torrens Business and Hospitality Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online

Date: September 2, 2025

Join online as our Business and Hospitality academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

Torrens Design and Creative Technology Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online

Date: September 3, 2025

Join online as our Design and Creative Technology academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

RMIT Student for a Day 2025

Organisation: RMIT University Location: RMIT City Campus Date: September 23, 2025

Want a taste of life after high school? Register your interest in being a Student for a Day at RMIT this September

school holidays.

Aimed at high school students in Years 10, 11 and 12, this event will let you experience student life at RMIT and discover more about our courses.

Find out more and register

Scholarships

QUT Excellence Scholarship (Academic)

Organisation: Queensland University of Technology

Location: Queensland Value: Up to \$30,000 AUD Open Date: August 5, 2025 Close Date: December 8, 2025

Find out more

UNSW Scientia Scholarships

Organisation: University of New South Wales

Location: New South Wales Value: \$10,000 AUD Open Date: July 2, 2025

Close Date: December 18, 2025

Find out more

University

How to apply to university: The complete guide

Applying to university can feel overwhelming when you're navigating forms, deadlines, and endless course options. However, with the right approach and timeline, you can transform this daunting process into a structured journey towards your academic future. Whether you're aiming for a specific career or exploring your academic interests, this guide can help you navigate each step with confidence.

Should you apply to university?

Before diving into applications, take a moment to consider whether you really want to go to university and if it aligns with your goals and learning style. University offers an adult approach to education, combining academic depth with professional networking opportunities.

University might be right for you if you:

- Want to study a topic in depth
- Are thinking of a career requiring a degree (such as teaching, nursing, or engineering)
- Are academically inclined but uncertain about your career direction

Many successful graduates enter university without a clear career path and discover their interests through exploration. If you need some inspiration, take a look at the <u>most popular university courses</u> to see if anything sparks your interest. If you're unsure, consider applying anyway. Not applying guarantees you won't have university as an option later, while accepting an offer remains entirely your choice. This approach keeps your doors open while you make your final decision. Decided that university isn't right for you? You might like to check out alternatives like <u>apprenticeships</u>, jumping straight into work, or seeing what other options are out there.

Choose what you want to study

Ideally your course selection should align with either your career aspirations or academic interests (what you're good at and what you're interested in). This decision forms the foundation of your entire university experience, so it deserves some time and attention.

You have a future career in mind

If you've identified your preferred career path, great! Research the qualification requirements thoroughly. Some careers offer multiple degree pathways - for instance, robotics professionals might study mechatronics, mechanical, or electrical engineering. Understanding these options could help you choose the best course to get you there.

You're not sure what you want to do yet

Perhaps you haven't settled on a specific career yet - that's OK too.

Focus on subjects that genuinely interest you rather than something you hope will lead to a high paying job (so if you don't like maths and spreadsheets, don't pick accounting just because you think you'll earn lots). Consider broad degrees that offer specialisation options down the track during your studies. Business degrees, for example, often provide a general foundation before allowing you to focus on areas like marketing, finance, or management. Avoid highly specialised degrees unless you're genuinely interested in their specific career outcomes. Dentistry leads almost exclusively to dental practice, whilst a science degree opens doors to research, teaching, healthcare, and industry roles. Once you've chosen what you want to study, write it down, and be clear about it before you start looking for somewhere to study it. Websites like Course Seeker, DiscoverUni, and Top Universities are great places to help you research and compare courses.

Find where you want to study it

Where you go to study isn't as important as what you study and opportunities available. Most employers focus on your skills and knowledge rather than which university awarded your degree, as generally speaking most accredited tertiary providers have similar academic standards.

Consider these practical factors when you're weighing up your options:

- Does the university offer your preferred course? If not, eliminate it from consideration immediately.
- Think about accommodation options can you live at home initially, or do you prefer the independence of campus life? Factor accommodation costs into your budget planning.
- Investigate <u>networking and career opportunities</u> each institution provides. University networks often prove invaluable for internships, job opportunities, and business connections throughout your career.
- Look for universities with strong industry partnerships and active alumni networks in your field of interest

If you've done your research and still have lots of options, <u>attending open days</u> and connecting with current students are the best ways to get a feel for the place, ask questions, and gather insider perspectives. Ask current students if they are happy with their course, can access the support they need, and what advice would they give you.

Preparing your application

Once you've identified what you want to study and where, it's time to research the application requirements and deadlines thoroughly. Missing deadlines could derail your entire timeline, so mark all important dates in your calendar and share them with family members who can help you stay on track. Gather required documentation early in the process. You'll likely need student identification numbers (like the <u>USI</u> in Australia) and your academic transcripts as a minimum. Some courses require additional assessments like psychometric testing, entrance exams, or portfolio submissions, which may have earlier or different deadlines than the main application. Lastly, before you start you application, double check you meet any entry requirements. While academic results are important, many institutions now offer multiple <u>alternative pathways</u>, including portfolio assessment, bridging courses, or foundation programmes. Understanding all your options and being prepared could increase your chances of receiving an offer.

Applications and preferences

The application process varies depending on which university you've picked and the country you're in. So check directly with the university to make sure you meet all the entry requirements *before* you start your application. When listing course preferences, maximise your options by filling every available slot. You can always decline offers, but limited preferences restrict your choices from the start. Even if you're 110% certain that there is only one course you want to pick, find a few similar courses and list them just in case. List your top choice first, followed by your second preference, then include other courses you'd consider, finishing with several lower-requirement options as backup plans. This strategy ensures you have options regardless of your final grades or assessment outcomes. Remember, you're not committing to anything at this stage – you're simply keeping doors open. Watch this <u>short video</u> for tips on choosing your preferences.

The waiting period

After submitting applications, you'll need to be patient and wait for your offer. Try and resist the urge to constantly revisit your choices. Instead, focus your energy and use this time productively by getting your assessments done on time and studying for exams. If you have some spare time, research your preferred courses more deeply, explore career prospects, or start working on your uni-ready skills. Don't stress if you decide to change your preferences during the waiting period - most systems allow changes before final deadlines.

Accepting offers and enrolling

Once your exams are done and results are published, it's time for the <u>offers to arrive</u>. You'll typically receive one offer per application round for the highest preference you qualify for. If your first choice requires higher grades than you achieved, you might receive an offer for your second or third preference instead. Carefully consider each offer against your original goals and current circumstances. If you're unsatisfied with the initial offer, many systems provide multiple offer rounds where additional places become available. Once you decide to accept an offer, follow the enrolment process promptly. This typically involves confirming your acceptance, paying any required fees, and registering for orientation activities.

Alternative pathways to consider

University straight out of school isn't your only option. Many students defer their studies and take a gap year to work, travel, or develop specific skills instead. This break can provide valuable life experience and clarity about academic goals.

If you'd prefer to try a vocational course, apprenticeship, or traineeship, they can still lead to university study later as a mature student. These pathways often provide work experience and financial independence while keeping options open for the future.

Whatever path you choose, take time to reflect on your decision without rushing. Your educational journey is unique to you, and there's no universal timeline for success.

Find out more

Ready to explore your university options? <u>You can discover more about study pathways and university preparation on our website here</u>, or grab a copy of the updated <u>Apply to Uni Guide</u>.