Welcome

Welcome to the third edition of the Careers Update for 2009.

With first term behind us, the Age VCE and Careers Expo is on from Friday 24 April. Please remind your students that this Expo is a great opportunity for them to have access to all providers in one venue. Students will be able to discuss their post secondary school options with representatives from all ten faculties at Monash. Further detail regarding the Expo is provided in this issue.

We hope that you find the Careers Update a useful resource. If you have any suggestions for improvements, or have information you would like us to cover, please email your comments to: rachel.edwards@adm.monash.edu.au

Kind Regards,
The Onshore Student Recruitment Team

VCE and Careers Expo 2009

Friday 24 to Sunday 26 April, 10am - 5pm
Caulfield Racecourse, Station St, Caulfield

Monash University is a proud sponsor of the The Age VCE and Careers Expo 2009. Find us on the ground level at Stand 51.

All ten faculties from Monash University will be represented at the Caulfield Racecourse (opposite the Monash University Caulfield campus) for the duration of the expo.

Monash seminars at The Age VCE and Careers Expo

Monash will be presenting a number of seminars during the Expo, providing students and parents the opportunity to learn about the following study and career paths in more depth.

Friday 24 April
- 12.30 – 1.15pm: Engineering and Information Technology at Monash

Saturday 25 April
- 11.45am – 12.30pm: Law and Business opportunities and double degree options

Sunday 26 April
- 1.30 – 2.15pm: Career Forum: Pharmacy, Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash

More information
www.vceandcareers.com.au
or contact Rachel Edwards on (03) 9903 4762 and rachel.edwards@adm.monash.edu.au

Monash Passport

The Monash Passport is an education system that combines degree programs with international exchanges, leadership programs, work training programs and volunteer and research opportunities as a grounding for outstanding careers. The five themes of the Passport are: Choose, Enhance, Investigate, Explore and Act.

More information
www.monash.edu.au/education/passport
Upcoming events

Experience Monash

Experience Monash provides Year 10, 11 and 12 students a taste of what it is like to study at Monash and the chance to discover the range of facilities, services and accommodation options on offer. A special session for parents covers topics such as accommodation, student support services and scholarships available at Monash University.

Sessions will be held on the following dates
- Caulfield – Tuesday 30 June
- Clayton – Tuesday 7 July
- Berwick – Wednesday 23 September
- Peninsula – Tuesday 29 September

More information
www.monash.edu.au/study/events/experience or contact Valarie Foster on (03) 9903 4758

Uni Student for a Day

22-24 September, Gippsland campus

The Gippsland campus offers courses from eight of Monash’s ten faculties. Uni Student for a Day is an event where students will be partnered for a day with a current Monash University student who is studying in their field of interest. Students will spend the day in a tailored program, which will include:
- Attending lecture and/or tutorial classroom sessions
- Exploring the campus and seeing the great facilities at Monash Gippsland
- Talking with current students about life as a university student

Lunch is provided to all participants and bookings are essential.

More information
www.gippsland.monash.edu.au/future/studentforday.html or contact Giuseppe Marino on (03) 99026987 or Giuseppe.Marino@adm.monash.edu.au

Pathways - Returning to Study information evening

Tuesday 19 May, 7pm
George Jenkins Theatre, Peninsula campus, McMahon’s Rd, Frankston

A free Pathways-Returning to Study information evening will provide information and advice about the range of pathways that can be used to gain access into courses offered at the Peninsula campus.

The evening is aimed at people who may have been working for a period of time and have been out of education but would like to upgrade or formalise their skills, or change career direction.

The event will also be relevant to those people who are looking at transferring from a current TAFE or university course, and VCE students who may wish to keep their options open or who think they may not get the ENTER to meet course entry requirements.

Issues that will be covered include pathways options, how to apply, recognition of prior learning, mid-year entry options, costs associated with tertiary study and credit transfer for study already undertaken.

Course areas covered
- Education – Primary and Early Childhood;
- Nursing and Midwifery
- Emergency Health (Paramedic)
- Business and Commerce
- Sport and Outdoor Recreation
- Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy

This event will commence with an information session followed by an opportunity to speak to individual course representatives.

More information and registrations
www.monash.edu.au/campuses/peninsula
Registrations requested. Register online, by email to peninsula.campus@monash.edu.au

Open Day
1-2 Aug 2009

School Visits requests

The Onshore Student Recruitment Team has already taken many school visits requests. If you have a preferred date for campus visits or ‘at school’ talks or expos, please complete our online booking form.

Bookings
www.monash.edu.au/study/schools/visits/course

Note: Bookings should be made at least a month in advance to ensure the best chance to secure your required date.
Enhancement Studies update

Schools visits
Visits are available to schools interested in knowing more about the Enhancement Studies program. We conduct information sessions for teaching staff outlining the responsibilities, time commitment and benefits for teachers and schools. We also run sessions for prospective students, covering everything they need to know about this beneficial and prestigious program.

More information
For advice or to book in a visit, please contact Helen O’Keeffe on (03) 9903 4810 or email Helen.OKeeffe@adm.monash.edu.au
www.monash.edu.au/study/enhancement

Faculty of Information Technology

IT Challenge 2009
The IT Challenge is a multiple category competition for High School Students and celebrated in a final IT Challenge awards night at the International Digital Entertainment Festival (Melbourne) in October 2009.
The IT Challenge categories will cover the following areas -
• Programming
• Database
• Game Development
• Web Design
• Film
• 3D Maya/Max
• Flash
• Digital Imaging
• Machinima
• Open IT Category

More information
www.infotech.monash.edu.au/promotion/competitions/it-challenge/ or Andrew Owen on (03) 9903 1441 or Andrew.Owen@infotech.monash.edu.au

Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences

Career Advisers Forum: What do you want in your future doctors?
Tuesday 12 May, 6.30pm for a 7 pm start
South 1 Lecture Theatre, Building 64, Clayton campus Wellington Road, Clayton
We want to hear your ideas on what qualities you want in our future doctors. The Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences is undertaking a review of our selection processes, curriculum activities and graduate attributes. As part of this we are holding forums to seek feedback from key stakeholders.
We would like to invite you to attend a forum, chaired by the Associate Dean (MBBS Curriculum), Professor Ben Canny. Those attending will include career counsellors and other interested members of the community.
Refreshments will be provided.

More information
Please RSVP by Monday 4 May 2009
Telephone (03) 9902 0025 or email: medicineadmissions@med.monash.edu.au

Update your details with Monash
To ensure that your school does not miss out on key Monash program information this year, we must have correct contact details.
The administrative department at each Victorian high school was sent a form in late January to enable updating of appropriate contact details on our database.
A number of schools are yet to return their completed forms, so it would be appreciated if all careers adviser’s could confirm that their administration unit has completed the form.
Forms should be returned by fax to Monash: Fax: 03 9903 4777

More information
Val Foster, (03) 9903 4758
valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au

Faculties of Arts, Law and Art & Design

Australian Indigenous Arts and the Law: A Hypothetical
Tuesday 5 May, 5-7pm
Faculty of Art and Design, Arts, and Law at Monash will debate how Indigenous arts and culture are recognised in the Australian community, and what sorts of protections are provided by Australian laws.
A lively performance presented by the Faculties of Art & Design, Arts, and Law at Monash will debate how Indigenous arts and culture are recognised in the Australian community, and what sorts of protections are provided by Australian laws.
Judges, lawyers, artists, archeologists and others will take part, using the dramatic format of a ‘Hypothetical’, and will ask and answer the many questions that arise about this important issue.

More information
Contact Kristel Keleher (03) 9905 8699 or Cathy Meredith on (03) 9905 3311
PhD Exhibition: Ceramic process as a reflection of environmental values: A Buddhist perspective

15 April – 24 April, 10am - 5pm
Faculty Gallery, Art & Design Building, Caulfield campus

In her practice of making ceramics, Li-Feng Lo says, “I create forms that are inorganic, yet I am drawn to nature.” This is evidenced on a material level as a response to the aesthetic qualities of natural forms.

But there is a much deeper level of engagement, one that acknowledges that environmental values are based on human interaction with nature and that, in turn, this interaction stems from the endless cycles of birth, growth and death. These lifecycles, whether they are human or those of other life forms, have an effect on the world in which we live, and raise issues about caring for the world in terms of conservation.

Li-Feng has a deep faith in Buddhist philosophy and believes that an understanding of Buddhism can help one deal with this interaction with life and the care of nature. This exhibition consists of ceramic works which interpret natural forms and are arranged in ordered patterns influenced by the artist’s reflections on Buddhist philosophy and nature.

More information
Enquiries to Jill Winfield on (03) 9903 2882 or email: Jill.Winfield@artdes.monash.edu.au

Faculty of Law

The Great Law Week Debate

They’re not morons: Governments should butt out of young peoples lives
Wednesday 13 May, 2009, 6 - 7.30pm
Melbourne Exhibition & Convention Centre Auditorium (Level 2)
Clarendon St, Southbank

Witness two teams of internationally respected Monash graduates debate this highly controversial topic at the annual Great Law Week Debate.

More information
RSVP: Friday 8 May, 2009 marketing@law.monash.edu.au or phone (03) 9905 2630
www.monash.edu.au/alumni/events/may/law-debate.html

Deans Lecture Series

A series of public lectures running from April to September
All lectures 6-7pm, Monash University Law Chambers, 472 Bourke St, Melbourne

Upcoming lectures
- Suicide and Personal Injury Litigation
  Presenter: Professor Ian Freckelton, Tuesday 5 May
- 457 Visas and Labour Standards
  Presenter: Marilyn Pittard, Tuesday 2 June
- Family Violence (Law Students Society lecture)
  Presenter: Ms Catherine Lamble, Magistrate, Tuesday 4 August
- Why we are Suckers for an Unfair Deal
  Presenter: Professor Justin Malbon, Tuesday 1 September

More information
RSVP: Email : marketing@law.monash.edu.au or telephone: (03) 9903 8525

Monash College

Monash College offers full-fee diploma courses which act as an entry pathway to almost 60 Monash University destination degree programs.

All diploma courses are designed by the University faculties to prepare students for their destination degree. With smaller class sizes and additional study assistance, a Monash College program provides excellent preparation for University study.

When students successfully complete a Monash College diploma and achieve the required grades, they can gain entry into 2nd year at Monash University.

Monash College operates on a trimester schedule, with three start dates per year in February, June and October.

The new Diploma of Health Sciences is available at the Peninsula campus.

More information
www.monashcollege.edu.au
At Monash Seminars

The At Monash Seminar Series provides a unique opportunity to hear from academics, as well as current and past students all in the one place. There is also a question and answer session and a chance to pick up course information.

The seminars cover the broad range of studies available at the University.

Seminars in May

All At Monash Seminars commence at 6.30pm.

- Education, Sport and Outdoor Recreation, Tuesday 5 May, Peninsula
- Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Health Science, Thurs 7 May, Peninsula
- Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Tues 12 May, Parkville
- Architecture, Wed 13 May, Caulfield
- Psychology, Mon 18 May, Clayton
- Drama and Theatre Studies, Tues 19 May, Clayton
- Business and Economics, Wed 20 May, Caulfield
- Engineering, Thurs 21 May, Clayton

More information

www.monash.edu.au/study/events/atmonash

or contact Helen O’Keeffe on (03) 9903 4810 or email Helen.okeeffe@adm.monash.edu.au

Student news

Students share volunteer experience

Seven Monash students, including two from Monash South Africa, have completed a five-week internship in South Africa where they worked directly on human rights and HIV/AIDS campaigns with Oxfam Australia.

Monash signed a formal agreement with Oxfam Australia last year to create new collaboration opportunities including voluntary opportunities for students.

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education) Professor Adam Shoemaker said the program, a first for an Australian university, was a fantastic opportunity for Monash students and the aid organisations involved.

“It is so exciting to see that in four to five weeks students who may have known little about a country or its health challenges have returned with a cross-cultural understanding they may never have dreamed of,” Professor Shoemaker said.

“This is part of our plan to make for a richer learning experience for our students - all part of the Monash Passport.”

More information


Thinking outside the tank

Seven Monash students will lead the call for broader political debate with the launch of a new youth organisation called Left Right Think Tank, which was launched in March.

Left Right is the brainchild of Arts (Global) student Thom Woodroffe who developed the organisation to provide young Australians with the opportunity to contribute to government policy. It is Australia’s first independent and non-partisan think tank for young people and the organisation’s executive is made up entirely of student volunteers.

“We have developed an amazing team of dedicated volunteers who all bring diverse skills to the organisation,” Thom said. “We have people who have worked in Israel’s emergency services, been radio reporters, and those who have served on advisory boards for other organisations.”

Thom said he believed the work with Left Right would benefit and enhance their university studies. Left Right has also recently initiated a fellowship program. Aimed at first-year students, the fellowship will provide 12 people with the opportunity to work with Left Right for a period of five months.

More information

www.leftright.org.au