

# MONASH Careers Update

Information for careers and secondary school teachers advising students about study at Monash

## Welcome

We would like to welcome a new staff member to our team, Melissa Melder. Melissa will be our new Enhancement Officer.

June is yet another busy month for the Monash Onshore Student Recruitment team. We are hosting the Careers Advisers Seminar at Clayton on Thursday 7 June, attending a number of expos in Sydney, and will be attending five TIS events around the state, including the hosting of Peninsula TIS at our Peninsula campus.

We look forward to seeing you and your students at many of these events.

Kind regards,  
The Onshore Student Recruitment team

## Careers Adviser's seminar

Thursday 7 June, 9am - 2.30pm, Clayton campus

You are invited to attend an information and networking day featuring presentations from the Vice-Chancellor Professor Richard Larkins and architect Andrew Simpson on our new Bachelor of Architectural Design.

Workshops will cover areas such as engineering, enhancement studies and international issues. We also invite you to stay for lunch to be held at the Monash University Club. Invitations and copies of the program have been mailed to all careers teachers.

### More information

The program and online registration can soon be found at:  
[www.monash.edu/study/schools/career-advisers-seminar](http://www.monash.edu/study/schools/career-advisers-seminar)

## Current brochures

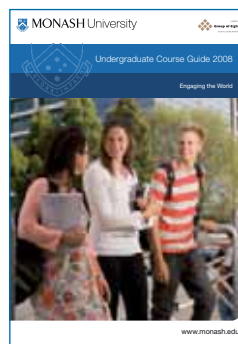
Undergraduate Course Guide 2008  
and Faculty brochure mail out

Sample copies of the 2008 Undergraduate Course Guide have been sent to schools. More copies can be ordered online at:  
[www.monash.edu/study/schools/order-form.html](http://www.monash.edu/study/schools/order-form.html)

The annual mail out of updated faculty brochures was scheduled for the last week of May.

### More information

Please contact the Prospective Student's Office on (03) 9905 1320.



## Experience Monash Program

We are inviting students in years 10-12 and their parents to come onto campus and *Experience* Monash. The program aims to introduce students and their parents to the study opportunities and experiences available at the Clayton and Caulfield campus.

Participants can choose to stay for the whole day or only for the sessions of particular interest to them. They can choose from a variety of experiences ranging from a tour and seminar covering the range of courses offered by Art and Design, a hands on workshop in biology or chemistry, panel session on transition from school to university and much more.

### More information

Program information and bookings: [www.monash.edu/study/events/experience](http://www.monash.edu/study/events/experience)

## June 2007

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## Important dates

June

- **Career Adviser's Seminar**  
Thursday 7 June  
Clayton campus

July

- **Parents Information Evening**  
Monday 16 July, 6-7.15pm  
Hilton Hotel, George Street, Sydney

August

- **Monash University Open Day**  
Saturday 4 August  
Gippsland campus  
Sunday 5 August  
Berwick, Caulfield, Clayton, Parkville and Peninsula campuses
- **Parents Information Evening**  
Melbourne - Wednesday 15 August  
Ballarat - Monday 20 August  
Geelong - Wednesday 29 August

## Quick links

Find a course at Monash

[www.monash.edu/courses/coursefinder](http://www.monash.edu/courses/coursefinder)

Prospective Students Office

[www.monash.edu/psa](http://www.monash.edu/psa)

Monash news and events

[www.monash.edu/news](http://www.monash.edu/news)

## Breaking news

# Monash trials use of GAT for middle band selection

Monash University will trial the use of the Victorian General Achievement Test (GAT) as an extra indicator when deciding on entry for some Victorian undergraduate Year 12 students.

Vice-Chancellor Professor Richard Larkins said that after 18 months of work and consultation with schools in April this year the University would from next year use the GAT as an extra indicator of academic aptitude for a small number of applicants.

The change applies only to 'middle band' students whose results fall below the Equivalent National Tertiary Entrance Ranking (ENTER) cut-off scores for courses but were still being considered for selection. Professor Larkins said the GAT would complement, not replace, the ENTER in limited circumstances.

"The ENTER is the best single predictor of academic performance in tertiary study and will continue to be the main factor in determining entrance," Professor Larkins said.

"A middle band student's GAT score will now be an extra consideration to determine academic potential. The changes may only make a difference in a small number of cases each year, but this is an additional measure of academic capability that will further enhance the range of relevant factors used for selecting the most talented middle band applicant."

While the details are still being determined, Monash University will use GAT results in selection for 2008 courses to award a modest middle-band bonus (up to a maximum of five aggregate points) to applicants whose GAT percentile ranking is higher than the previous year's clearly-in ENTER threshold for the course in question. It is expected the calculation would apply to all faculties and courses.

The GAT is conducted each June by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) for all students undertaking Year 12 studies. Monash University and VTAC will publish a report on the initial outcomes following the 2008 selection process.

Further selection reports will be published annually and following an evaluation after three years of implementation, a report of the evaluation will be published in 2010. The VCAA will monitor students' GAT outcomes for any impact the trial may have on participation, scores and their use of the GAT scores as part of the VCE assessment program.

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## Faculty update - Engineering

### Engineering scholarships and MERIT program

Monash awards 50 Engineering Excellence Award scholarships to high-achieving VCE students with an ENTER of 98.00 and above. Students must apply for these scholarships.

The scholarships are worth \$6,000 per annum for the duration of the course and are subject to maintaining 75 per cent average in each year of the chosen course.

Scholarship recipients are invited to join the Leadership in Technology program, which endeavours to produce engineering leaders of the future. Students learn leadership skills outside the classroom. The program covers topics in critical thinking and problem solving, communication and people skills, sustainability, ethics, globalisation, change management entrepreneurship and innovation.

The program involves nine modules spread over three years and is a unique initiative developed by the Faculty of Engineering to challenge and extend outstanding students.

#### More information

[www.eng.monash.edu](http://www.eng.monash.edu)

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## 2008 Course Guide correction: Prerequisites

- **Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Emergency Health (Paramedic)**

The prerequisites listed in the 2008 Undergraduate Course Guide for this double degree course at the Peninsula campus are incorrect. The prerequisites needed are:

- A study score of at least 25 in English, and
- Units 3 and 4 in any mathematics.

Please note: The prerequisites for this courses as printed in the VTAC guide are correct.

## Faculty of Arts

### Children's Writers at Arts in ACTION Festival, Saturday 9 June

Multi award winning children's author Andy Griffith is appearing at the Arts in ACTION festival on Saturday 9 June at Monash University's Caulfield campus.

Griffith is presenting a free talk for adults and children called *Just Shocking! Bumosaurs, Flat Cats and How to Write Really Bad Books*. His books include the extremely popular Just! series and *The Day My Bum Went Psycho* trilogy.

Other children's authors at the festival include Jen McVeity, who wrote the very popular teen novels *Dreamcatcher* and *Shadowseeker*, and Dr Virginia Lowe, who will discuss her book *Stories, Pictures and Reality: Two Children Tell*, about children's reactions to reading.

Admission to the Arts in ACTION festival is free, with over a 50 discussions, lectures, workshops, films and displays to chose from.

The festival showcases Monash University Arts faculty research and discusses how we really use the arts and in our lives and our communities.

#### More information

[www.arts.monash.edu/artsinaction07](http://www.arts.monash.edu/artsinaction07)

- Tuesday 29 May, 6.30-8pm, Art & Design Theatre, Caulfield campus
- Wednesday 30 May, 6.30-8pm, Art & Design Theatre, Caulfield campus

## Parent information evenings

- **Sydney - Mon 16 July**
- **Melbourne - Wed 15 August**
- **Ballarat - Mon 20 August**
- **Geelong - Wed 29 August**

Parent Information Evenings provide an excellent opportunity for parents of Year 11 and 12 students to take a closer look at the options available at Monash.

Find out about the University, available courses, costs of study, student support services, scholarships and bursaries and how to ease the transition from school to university.

Students are also welcome to attend.

#### More information and bookings

[www.monash.edu/parents](http://www.monash.edu/parents)

# Courses update

## Changes to Business and Economics courses

Business and Economics courses are constantly reviewed and content modified in response to employer needs, needs of the professional bodies who accredit our courses, and student demand.

In 2008, there are several changes of note.

- Commerce courses (Clayton campus)  
Three of the Commerce (specialised) degrees will not be offered in 2008 – Commerce (Business Statistics), Commerce (Management) and Commerce (Marketing). However, these specialisations or majors will still be available within the generic Bachelor of Commerce degree. The Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting and Finance) will continue to be offered.
- Bachelor of Tourism (Berwick campus)  
The Bachelor of Tourism will not be offered. However, students will still be able to undertake a Tourism major in the Bachelor of Business and Commerce at the Berwick campus.
- Business courses (Caulfield campus)  
The Bachelor of Business (Retail Management) and the Bachelor of Business (Risk Management) have been disestablished. The other six specialised Business degrees will continue:
  - Business (Accounting)
  - Business (Banking and Finance)
  - Business (Human Resource Management)
  - Business (Law)
  - Business (Management)
  - Business (Marketing)

## Careers in Biomedical Science program

For students interested in a career in the Biomedical Sciences the pathways and opportunities are many and varied.

This new program has been developed to highlight the career destinations with a Bachelor of Biomedical Science. The presentation will cover:

- Details about the Bachelor of Biomedical Science at Monash
- A current student will talk about the course and their career aspirations
- Pathways and career opportunities once you graduate

If you are interested in receiving a presentation at your school we can be contacted to arrange an appropriate date and time.

### More information

To arrange a visit to your school, please contact Deryn Vahl-Meyer.  
Telephone: 03 9905 8402 or email: [Deryn.Vahl-Meyer@med.monash.edu.au](mailto:Deryn.Vahl-Meyer@med.monash.edu.au)

For course information, please visit: [www.med.monash.edu.au](http://www.med.monash.edu.au)

## Faculty of Law - Monash Law School Foundation

### Rural Bursaries

The Monash Law School Foundation will offer eight Rural Bursaries of \$2,500 each to high-achieving students from rural or isolated areas commencing an undergraduate degree with the Monash Law School in 2008.

Monash Law School recognises that many of our best students have come from rural and isolated areas and that the shortage of lawyers in rural areas is of concern to the profession. The Rural Bursaries through the Monash Law School Foundation aim to address this.

To be eligible, students must be offered a place in an undergraduate course offered by the Faculty of Law and have applied for the Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) through VTAC under Category 6 – rural or isolated students.

### More information

Contact Jamie McDonald, Marketing Manager, Faculty of Law.  
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