

Welcome

Welcome to the second edition of the Monash Careers Update for 2008. By this time, we trust that each school has received their first 'Monash mail out' for the year, and for schools within the Waverley, Peninsula and Gippsland regions, that they have received an invitation to their Monash coordinated TIS event.

We have confirmed a date for our Career Advisers Seminar (Thursday 12 June), and currently faculties are planning for the At Monash seminar series that will run during April and May this year.

We welcome to our team Helen O'Keeffe, who has been appointed the new Assistant Manager (Programs). Helen, who joined us from the Faculty of Arts, will be working with the Enhancement Studies Program. Her contact details are on the back page of this update.

We also farewell Kate Spencer from the role of Student Recruitment Coordinator. Kate joined the Onshore Student Recruitment team in mid-2007, prior to which she coordinated the prospective student and Co-operative Education programs at the Gippsland Campus. We wish her well in her future endeavours.

And finally, 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: angela.maplestone@adm.monash.edu.au

Kind regards,

The Onshore Student Recruitment team

National Youth Science Forum visits Monash University

Approximately 100 high-achieving science students from across Australia came to Monash on Friday 8 February to test-drive their future as Monash students in Science, Engineering, Pharmacy and Medicine disciplines.

Students participated in a range of practical science-based activities including measuring the width of a human hair, building a nanomaterials based solar cell, discovering why humans behave the way they do, determining the accuracy of pharmaceutical manufacturers' claims, and discovering the genetics behind fruit flies and other animals.

It was also a great opportunity for the talented students to visit Monash University to see the range of facilities and services available, as well as to find out about the range of courses on offer.



Practical science-based activities at the National Youth Science Forum

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Important dates for March

- University Easter close-down, Friday 21 March – Tuesday 25 March (The university will be closed during this period)

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Faculty of Art & Design

Folio info session

The Faculty of Art & Design is planning to hold an information session for art and design teachers and career advisers.

The session will include how to best communicate to students what to incorporate in their folio when applying for a Faculty of Art & Design course at Monash.

The session will be run by Faculty of Art & Design academics and selection staff.

Similar sessions have been held in the past and the faculty is asking for current feedback from secondary school art and design teachers and careers advisers regarding a suitable time to host a folio information session in 2008, as a best-fit to your curriculum and students.

More information

Please email Tom Hazell, Student Recruitment Manager, with your input: tom.hazell@artdes.monash.edu.au

Enhancement Studies Program

New students in 2008

This year Monash welcomes over 300 students from 80 schools Victoria-wide into its Enhancement Studies Program. The program, for high achievers, enables students to study a Monash first-year university sequence as part of their Year 12 curriculum. The students are enrolled across ten subjects, including discipline studies in:

- Accounting
- Australian History / Politics
- Chemistry
- Media
- Japanese Language
- Information Technology
- Jewish Civilisations
- Mathematics
- Philosophy

The program anticipates expanding in 2009, and welcomes suggestions for new subjects. Comments and recommendations can be directed to Melissa Melder, Enhancement Studies Officer, through the contact details below.

We wish all our newly enrolled students an enjoyable and successful year of study.

More information

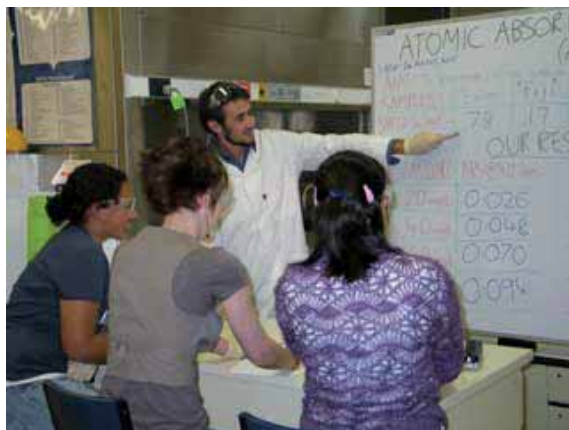
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Faculty of Science

Instrumental experience for VCE chemistry students

Throughout February, the School of Applied Sciences and Engineering at the Gippsland campus ran a series of workshops to expose VCE students studying Chemistry Unit 3: Chemical Pathways, to a variety of analytical instruments and experiences complimentary to their school curriculum.

Over six days, students from 16 schools across Latrobe Valley and wider Gippsland were introduced to advanced science instrumentation they would not normally encounter until reaching much higher levels of chemistry education.



Current 3rd year Bachelor of Science and Co-operative Education student Mitchell Williams working with students from Trafalgar High School

Students experienced a range of chromatographic and spectroscopic techniques to identify unknown substances. They also used chromatography to analyse the amount of caffeine in soft drinks and atomic absorption spectroscopy to measure calcium in bottled water.

The feedback from schools has been positive, praising the workshop for complimenting the VCE curriculum and providing a 'real life' perspective of chemistry for the students.

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Faculty of Business and Economics

Monash MBA student awarded one of top four MBA students in the world



Monash MBA Director Professor Peter Reed congratulates finalist Henjamin Haan

MBA student Benjamin Haan was the only Australian and one of just four finalists worldwide at the prestigious International MBA Student of the Year Award held in London recently. He is the first Australian ever to make it to the finals in this competition.

The award highlights the all-round contribution required of an MBA student. Academic achievement is, of course, vital, but this year's finalists proved it's the vision and ability to add that elusive "extra" element to their exam results that really makes the difference.

The Monash MBA Director, Professor Peter Reed, said that "one of the strengths of the Monash MBA is its ability to allow students to tailor-make their MBA program to suit their individual personal and career aspirations."

For Ben the MBA was a means to facilitate a career change from consulting to the finance industry. Ben focussed on entrepreneurship and finance electives and undertook a private equity research paper to provide him with exposure to the industry.

Ben also played a major role in leading a Monash MBA team that won the premier Australian new business planning competition, the John Heine Entrepreneurial Challenge, and then went on to represent Australia in the global Moot Corp entrepreneurial competition in Texas, for which they were given an award for "Outstanding Product."

More information

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Admissions Unit

Increases to the minimum English Language entry requirements

From mid-2008, Monash will be increasing the minimum English Language requirement prerequisite for applicants.

For VCE students, this means a study score of at least 25 in units 3 and 4 in any VCE English subject. From Semester 1, 2009 the English as Secondary Language (ESL) minimum score requirement will be five points higher than VCE English subjects, ie. at least 30 in ESL. These changes will also appear in the Undergraduate Course Guide (due in April) and the 2009 VTAC Guide.

The changes also affect the minimum scores required in English language proficiency tests, such as IELTS and TOEFL.

All other students should visit www.monash.edu.au/international/entry_requirements for details of acceptable English subjects and performance levels.

More information

www.adm.monash.edu.au/admissions/undergrad/entry-requirements/

'At Monash' seminar series

April – May, 2008

The At Monash seminars throughout April and May provide prospective students and their parents with a comprehensive overview of courses and career options within discipline areas. The seminars are presented by academics in conjunction with current University students and graduates, and are held in various locations across the Caulfield, Clayton and Peninsula campuses.

List of seminars for 2008:

Mon 14 April	Psychology
Tues 15 April	Medicine
Wed 16 April	Arts & Humanities
Thurs 17 April	Architecture
Tues 22 April	Multimedia
Thurs 24 April	Education, Sport & Outdoor Recreation
Mon 28 April	Fine Arts
Tues 29 April	Science
Wed 30 April	Design
Thurs 1 May	Physiotherapy, Health Sciences and Occupational Therapy
Mon 5 May	Law
Wed 7 May	Engineering
Tues 13 May	Pharmacy
Thurs 15 May	Business & Economics
Tues 20 May	Drama & Theatre Studies
Wed 21 May	Nursing, Midwifery & Paramedics
Thurs 22 May	Information Technology

Additional information (including registration information) will be distributed to schools shortly.

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



Career Advisers Seminar 2008

Final details confirmation

The event will take place on Thursday 12 June at Monash Caulfield. This is the same week as the Queens Birthday public holiday, and coincides with the mid year exam period.

Further information regarding times and the day's format will be distributed to Careers Advisers closer to the date.

We are still keen to receive your suggestions for workshops to run on the day. Ideas can be forwarded to Jodie Martin-Blick, Acting Manager, Onshore Student Recruitment. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

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Tertiary Information Service (TIS)

Update on Monash coordinated events in 2008

Monash University is proud to announce that we will continue to host three TIS events in 2008.

Invitations for the Gippsland, Waverley and Peninsula region events were distributed in throughout January and February.

If your school regularly attends one of these events or would wish to, but has not yet received an invitation, please contact the appropriate representative:

- Gippsland Region TIS:
Simon Baxter (03) 9902 6987
- Waverley Region TIS:
Marnie Long (03) 9903 4761
- Peninsula Region TIS:
Hemant Kokularupan, (03) 9903 4757

If your school has yet to complete and return the RSVP form, it is essential that you do so as soon as possible to enable preparations to proceed.

If you have any questions relating to any of the above events, please contact the appropriate representative.

Faculty of Information Technology

Playstation Portable competition

Congratulations to all 2007 winners of the Playstation Portable competition:

- March Adam Boersch, Berwick Secondary College
- April Alex Savage, Brentwood Secondary College
- May Gilbert Hawkins, University High
- June Kyle Finn, Mt Erin Secondary College
- July Jason Dzouza, Salesian College
- August Chris Borrell, St Bedes College
- September Jessica Castaneda, Kilbreda College
- October Sarah Goodear, Start of the Sea College
- November Jared Mostert, Mount Waverley Secondary College

Thank you to everyone who entered. The competition is running again in 2008, so if you would like to receive more information about Monash's IT courses and events, complete the online form to enter the monthly draw!

The form is available on the competitions page at: www.infotech.monash.edu.au

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Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences

Extended Rural Cohort information sessions

Studying medicine can seem an unachievable dream for rural and regional students. The Extended Rural Cohort (ERC) stream in the Bachelor of Medicine / Bachelor of Surgery gives preference to students from the northern Victoria region.

ERC students study the same curriculum as their city-based counterparts, however are required to spend the majority of their clinical training throughout years 3 to 5 in northern Victoria. The more intimate rural learning environment provides greater access to tutors and a broad range of clinical experiences.

The School of Rural Health will be conducting information sessions on the ERC program in:

- Bendigo (Tues 13 May) and Kyneton (Thursday 15 May)
- Mildura (Wednesday 18 June)
- Swan Hill and Kerang in July (dates to be confirmed)

Staff from the School of Rural Health will also participate in the Swan Hill 'My Hospital' community expo in early June, which will provide students a hands-on experience of careers in medicine and allied health professions.

If prospective students are unable to access any of these information sessions, the School of Rural Health are available to visit schools to talk with Year 10, 11 and 12 science students about study and careers in Medicine.

More information

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Monash Residential Services

Accommodation at Monash: 'More than just a room'

Monash Residential Services (MRS) has produced an engaging new video titled 'More than just a room' to showcase its services. The video gives a tour of the facilities and paints a vibrant picture of everyday student life at Monash University. View the video online: www.mrs.monash.edu.au/video.html

More information at: www.mrs.monash.edu.au

Reminder: Update your details with Monash

The administrative department at each Victorian high school was sent a form in late January to enable updating of the school's contact details for our database. A number of schools are yet to return their completed forms.

To ensure that the school does not miss out on key Monash program information this year, it would be greatly appreciated if all careers advisers could confirm that their administration unit has completed the form and returned it to Monash.

More information

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School visit requests

Requesting visits in 2008

The Onshore Student Recruitment Office has already taken many school visit requests for 2008.

Please, get your preferred dates in early!

Please note that for 2008, all school visit requests must be made through our online booking system at:

www.monash.edu.au/study/schools



Mail outs

First mail out for 2008

The first Monash mail out for 2008 was distributed to your school in the last week of February.

If you have not received your package, please report this to Angela Maplestone, Assistant Manager (Recruitment).

The second mail out for the year will be sent during term 2.

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New College Diploma

Trimester 1 2008 saw the introduction of the Monash College Diploma of Arts (Communication, Journalism and Psychology). The new structure has refocused the Communication and Human Behaviour disciplines of the previous Diploma of Arts in the areas of Journalism and Psychology. This provides graduates of the program with an enhanced range of destination degrees, including the highly popular Bachelor of Arts (Global).

The new Monash College Diploma of Arts (Communication, Journalism and Psychology) articulates into the following degrees in the Faculty of Arts at Monash University upon obtaining satisfactory results:

- Bachelor of Arts (general, or majoring in Psychology or Communication or Media Studies) (Clayton, Caulfield, Gippsland)
- Bachelor of Arts – Global (Clayton)
- Bachelor of Arts – Journalism (Caulfield, Gippsland)
- Bachelor of Arts – Communication (Gippsland)
- Bachelor of Arts – Psychology & Humanities (Gippsland)
- Bachelor of Communication (Berwick)

Monash College is an entry pathway to Monash University. Many students find that undertaking a Monash College undergraduate diploma is the ideal bridge between school and university, as it makes the transition as smooth and simple as possible.

Three intakes per year in February, June and October means students can start their educational journey with Monash as soon as they are ready. It gives them greater choice over the commencement and completion times of their course, with the opportunity to save time and reduce the costs of study.

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Monash College parents' support during enrolment

Enrolment and orientation for Monash College's new intake of students took place 18-19 February, and this trimester the College offered an additional service – to parents!

The College always aims to help students settle into the new environment as quickly as possible through programs such as orientation, student mentoring and study skills sessions. Sue Bell, Executive Principal for Monash College said, "over the last few trimesters we have noticed an increasing number of parents attending the Enrolment and Orientation sessions with their sons or daughters. We believe they need a quiet and comfortable place of their own to sit while they are waiting. For their convenience, we have arranged the very first Parent's Lounge."

The Parent's Lounge provided a place to relax while new students were attending sessions. It offered parents refreshments, free Internet access, local and international newspapers and magazines, a presentation on the Monash College Student Life 'Experience', and the opportunity to meet some of the College teachers and support staff.

Monash College comprises an internationally diverse community and has a strong family orientation. Staff are confident that the Lounge will give parents a better understanding of the College's emphasis on establishing a strong partnership between family, Monash College and student.

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Quick links

Monash Course Finder

www.monash.edu/courses/coursefinder

Links for Career Teachers and Schools

www.monash.edu.au/study/schools

Monash news and events

www.monash.edu/news