



CAREER NEWS

Term 4, Week 6 – 2025

TAFE OPEN WEEK

Register for TAFE Open Week at [TAFE NSW Open Week \(Open Day\) | 17-23 Nov | Register Now | TAFE NSW](#) and to access the items detailed below...

TAFE NSW Open Week, 17-23 November

Do you want to know more about enrolling, student support services, or what studying at TAFE NSW is really like? [Register now](#) to join our live virtual sessions or catch up anytime with on-demand videos.

You can also explore hundreds of upcoming on-campus and online Information Sessions to find the course that's right for you. Plus, register now for your chance to win 1 of 150+ prizes*.

[Register Now](#)



Join an Information session

Access detailed course information straight from our experienced teachers. Explore hundreds of upcoming sessions to join live online or at a participating campus.

[Register now](#)



Get your questions answered

Access live virtual sessions or on-demand videos to learn how to enrol, understand payments, fees and scholarships, apprenticeships, student support services and more.

[Register now](#)



Explore our courses

With hundreds of courses on offer through TAFE NSW, there's something to suit everyone. Now is the perfect time to find the course that is right for you.

[Register now](#)

Interested in carpentry work on boats...?

| NSW Department of Education

Regional Industry Education Partnerships program (RIEP)

connecting
employers
with schools



SBAT Certificate III in Marine Craft Construction

- Positions: Two (2) School-Based Apprenticeships (SBATs) in Certificate III in Marine Craft Construction located at Morisset NSW.
- Ideal Candidates: Students with an interest in woodworking, industrial arts, or mechanical work. Female students are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Application Process: Students are to email their resume and cover letter highlighting their interest directly to the Regional Industry Education Partnership (RIEP) program at
- ✉ jenny-lee.pye1@det.nsw.edu.au
- Important Note: Van Munster Boats has requested that students and school staff do not contact the business directly. All enquiries should be directed through the RIEP program.
- Next Steps: Selected students will be offered a interview which will identify students suitable for a work trial during the final weeks of Term 4 and/or over the Christmas holidays, with successful candidates progressing to a School-Based Apprenticeship in 2026
- Contact details below if you have any questions.

Jenny-Lee Pye - Regional Industry Education Partnership Program
Email: jenny-lee.pye1@det.nsw.edu.au
Mobile: 0467715370





JOB ALERT



APPRENTICE GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE OFFICER

WHATS WAITING FOR YOU

Work outdoors where no two days are the same helping maintain beautiful landscape designs

Learn across diverse maintenance and landscaping tasks in a real-world setting

Join a not-for-profit team, learn on the job, and get paid to earn a Cert III in Parks and Gardens!

**GROW THE FUTURE YOU WANT!
GET PAID. GET QUALIFIED.**

GENERAL NEWS

The following news items are sourced from Job Jump

UAC

Videos on Nearly Every Topic for Uni

UAC hosts a series of short videos about applying to uni through UAC: from the application basics to the ins and outs of early offers, changing course preferences and what students can do if they've been disadvantaged during their final years of school.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1s0OQdLq16Ee3mwajbhfhA/videos>

University - Institutes

University of Wollongong - Options Day

17 December

Gain insights from current students; inspiring stories from UOW Alumni, and get words of wisdom from our academic staff. This interactive live event brings the UOW experience straight to your screen. you will be able to ask questions in real time, and win prizes throughout the broadcast.

Discover why UOW is the best choice for your next chapter.

<https://future-students-events.uow.edu.au/options-day-live-25>

Next Western Sydney Drop-In Sessions

Next session: 26 November

In 2025, Western is hosting a series of online drop-in sessions for you to chat with our Future Student Engagement Team. Drop in during any of our sessions to get your burning questions answered.

Ask about your dream degree, alternative entry pathways, scholarships, support services or any other Western-related topics.

<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/student-life/events/drop-in-sessions>

University of Sydney Gadigal Program - Closing Soon

Apply By 30 November

The Gadigal Program is our Indigenous student pathway that supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to study at the University of Sydney.

This program will give you access to the following:

- Entry on a reduced ATAR.
- Ability to apply for an early conditional offer (receive an offer to study at Sydney before you sit your Year 12 exams).
- An academic skills program before commencing University.
- Ongoing academic and personal support throughout your degree.
- Up to \$5000 global mobility award for eligible exchange programs.

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/study/applying/admission-pathways/gadigal-program.html>

University of Sydney Info Day

18 December

Join us on campus from 11 am on ATAR release day. Attend information sessions, take a campus tour, speak with our team about admission pathways, and get your degree-specific questions answered by our academics.

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/study/events-for-prospective-students/undergraduate/info-day.html>

University of Sydney Webinar - Parent and Caregivers Webinar

15 December

On 18 December 2025, ATAR release and UAC preference deadlines will coincide — creating a unique decision-making moment for school leavers.

Join our webinar to understand what these changes mean and how you can support your child in preparing for a range of outcomes. Discover practical strategies to empower their future and help maximise their options for university study in 2026.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hw3KoLw3Sv6q0e-Z7hoWkw#/registration

University of Sydney Webinar - UAC Preferencing webinar: Your Guide to Admissions

18 December

Join us for an insightful session where we'll explain how UAC preferences and offers work — covering the full process from ATAR release through to the final offer rounds for Semester 1, 2026.

Learn how to confidently prioritise your preferences, navigate the UAC offer rounds, and take advantage of entry schemes and adjustment factors to maximise your chances of receiving an offer to your dream degree.

A live Q&A will be available throughout the webinar, so you can get your questions answered in real time.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dLzvGHgQQiKvxzUlw8JTA#/registration

University of Sydney Webinar - Explore the world of nursing

19 November

Discover what makes nursing at the University of Sydney truly unique. Our accomplished educators bring rich, real-world experience into the classroom, shaping the next generation of nurses with insight, compassion, and innovation. Join this inspiring webinar to hear from leading voices in nursing as they share their diverse career journeys and how they're preparing future nurses for a dynamic healthcare landscape. You'll also gain an overview of our Nursing degrees, hands-on work placements, with further study and career options. If you're curious about a career in Nursing, this session is for you.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_BQi_nacrQk66CHbs4pxYNA#/registration

University of Sydney Webinar - Your Future in Media: Explore Sydney's Bachelor of Media and Communications

26 November

Dive into the exciting world of media and communications with our Bachelor of Media and Communications degree. Discover how this degree can help you turn your passion for media, storytelling, content creation, journalism, marketing and public relations into a dynamic career.

In this session we will discuss the entry requirements, course structure, career opportunities and the hands-on learning experiences that prepare students for the real world

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Y7Kz-7E4QJOCQrXLA9dDMA#/registration

University of Sydney - Sydney Pharmacy First Nations Student Camp

Applications Now Open

Camp Runs 18 - 22 January

The Sydney Pharmacy School First Nations Student Camp is a pathway to engage and inform Year 9 and 10 students about the opportunities and benefits of pursuing a career in pharmacy.

This 4-day camp is a pathway to engage and inform Year 9 and 10 students about the opportunities and benefits of pursuing a career in pharmacy.

This program has the potential to build capacity of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples ready to enter their future profession of pharmacy - who may in turn make this important health service more accessible to Australia's First Nations people.

The students will be recruited from urban, regional and remote NSW communities and would be transported to and from the university campus for the camp. All accommodation, food and materials would be provided.

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/medicine-health/news-and-events/events/sydney-pharmacy-first-nations-student-camp.html>

UTS Find Your Fit in Information Technology

24 November

Finalising UAC preferences is an exciting opportunity for Year 12 students to shape their future, and for parents or guardians wanting to help them along the journey.

At UTS, IT is so much more than just programming, it's a field that embraces creativity through degrees like Interaction Design, offers highly technical pathways such as Quantum Computing, and opens doors to exciting careers in areas like cybersecurity with major global firms.

Our Find Your Fit in Information Technology webinar will guide you through the wide range of IT courses on offer and answer your questions. You'll also hear directly from a current IT student about their study experience, plus get career insights from an IT alum now thriving in industry.

If you're weighing up your choices, exploring ideas, or simply want to feel confident about your final preferences, this session is not to be missed.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/events/find-your-fit-in-information-technology>

UTS Find Your Fit in Engineering

25 November and 16 December

Exploring university options is an exciting step, especially for Year 12 students finalising UAC preferences with support from parents or guardians.

Our Find Your Fit in Engineering webinar is designed to make that journey clearer and more inspiring. We'll walk you through all the Engineering majors offered at UTS, answer your questions, and show you why your ATAR doesn't define your future.

You'll also hear first-hand from a current UTS Engineering student about their experience and gain insights from a UTS Engineering alum on the career opportunities that await after graduation.

Whether you're still exploring your options or want to feel confident about your final preferences, this session will help you find the degree — and the future — that fits.

<https://www.uts.edu.au/events/find-your-fit-in-engineering>

UTS College - The ATAR stories they didn't tell you

18 December

Tradition says there's only one way into uni. Our UTS College Student Ambassadors know that's not the whole story.

In this live podcast, they'll share the real highs and lows of ATAR Day and how they found their own way to UTS.

Ask your questions and get honest answers from people who've been in your shoes. You'll see that your ATAR isn't the only path to your dream degree.

<https://utscollege.edu.au/news-events/events/podcast-the-atar-stories-they-didnt-tell-you-18-dec-2025>

ANU College of Science and Medicine Online Drop-in Sessions

19 November

These monthly online drop-in sessions are designed to provide prospective students and offer holders with an opportunity to engage directly with our senior student ambassadors and course advisers. Participants can ask questions about studying science, health, and medicine at ANU, including inquiries about the application process, scholarships, internships, and student experiences. The sessions are conducted via Zoom, allowing attendees to join and leave at their convenience.

<https://study.anu.edu.au/events/anu-college-science-and-medicine-online-drop-sessions-3>

Understanding ANU Direct Application change of preference: Information and Q&A

24 November

Hear from our ANU Admissions Specialists to learn everything you need to know about changing your preferences in your ANU Direct Application. We'll walk you through the process step-by-step and share tips to help you make confident decisions about your study options.

The session will finish with a live Q&A, where our Admissions Specialists will answer your questions about applications, offers, and next steps.

<https://study.anu.edu.au/events/understanding-anu-direct-application-change-preference-information-and-qa>

ANU Webinar - Moving interstate for ANU?

26 November

Get ready for your move to Canberra! Join our accommodation team for a live webinar packed with practical advice, insider tips, and a Q&A session to help make your interstate move stress-free.

<https://study.anu.edu.au/events/moving-interstate-anu>

ANU Webinar - UAC change of preference information and Q&A session

10 December

Applied to ANU through UAC?, This session is for you! Our Admissions Professionals will walk you through the application process, explain how to update your preferences, share important dates, and answer all your questions.

<https://study.anu.edu.au/events/uac-change-preference-information-and-qa-session>

Notre Dame Info Day

18 December

Come to Info Day to find out everything you need to know to start uni next year, receive personalised advice and explore your study options.

You'll also be able to tour our unique campus, check out our new student hub, attend information sessions and workshops to find out more about the degrees we have on offer, enjoy live entertainment, tasty treats and much, much more!

<https://events.nd.edu.au/info-day-sydney>

ACU Change of Preference Days

17-18 December

Blacktown, North Sydney and Strathfield Campuses

Attend a guided campus tour to explore what ACU has to offer, discuss your study options and pathways into ACU, and get personalised change of preference advice.

<https://www.acu.edu.au/study-at-acu/future-student-events/change-of-preference-advice/nsw>

C.A.S Hawker Scholarship

Applications Close 2 December

The C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship commemorates the achievements of one of Australia's most respected pastoral pioneers who served in the First World War and went on to become a distinguished scholar and leading figure in the Federal Parliament, prior to his tragic and untimely death in the Kyeema aircraft accident in 1938.

The Scholarship is available to Australian undergraduate and post-graduate students.

Scholarships are valued at up to \$75,000 and contribute to the cost of residential fees at either:

- Burgmann College, Canberra ACT
- St Marks College, Adelaide SA
- Roseworthy College, Roseworthy SA
- Robb College, Armidale NSW
- Trinity College, Cambridge UK
- Marcus Oldham College, Geelong VIC

<https://www.hawkersscholarship.org>

University of Newcastle - Nursing Insights Evening

19 November

Hear directly from academic staff and current students about the curriculum, clinical placements, and career pathways. You'll also tour our brand new Health Education and Research Building, featuring state-of-the-art simulation labs and modern learning spaces.

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/nursing-insights-evening>

University of Newcastle ATAR Info Day

18 December

With ATAR's being released and close of UAC main round preferences day on 18 December, if you have any questions or need advice, call our helpful staff on 02 4921 5000 between 9am and 5pm.

Remember, your ATAR isn't everything and there's a place for you at the University of Newcastle.

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/atar-info-day>

University of Newcastle - Sneak peek - Central Coast Campus - Gosford Central

1 December

Join us for an exclusive sneak peek of Gosford Central!

Be among the first to step inside our new state-of-the-art facility - Gosford Central - before it officially opens for Semester 1, 2026!

This special event is your opportunity to explore the building, meet University staff and students, and discover the exciting study and career pathways available on the Central Coast.

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/sneak-peek-central-coast-campus-gosford-central>

UNSW Young Women in Engineering Pathway Program

Register Your Interest Now

The UNSW Young Women in Engineering Pathway Program is an alternate pathway program for high school students* in Year 11 and 12 who will be applying for an eligible engineering degree at UNSW Sydney and expecting an ATAR within the Faculty of Engineering Admissions Scheme (FEAS) eligibility** range. The five-week program runs from February to March and has capacity for 120 motivated students to participate each year.

If you're a student who wants to make a difference in the world, has an interest in helping others and would love to learn how engineering can make an impact, then this program is for you!

<https://www.unsw.edu.au/engineering/study-with-us/young-wie-club/young-wie-pathway-program>

Registr now for SciX@UNSW

19-23 January

Registration Now Open

The SciX@UNSW Program is designed to support passionate high school students who are eager to delve into scientific research. In this on-campus program, students will join a UNSW research group and conduct an independent research project, ideal for HSC Extension Science, International Baccalaureate (IB) independent projects, or to find out what a career in research science is like. Each project is overseen by a member of the academic research staff. The projects are taught by UNSW graduate research students who will act as student mentors throughout their project. They will introduce you to cutting-edge research tools and methodologies and guide you as you extend your scientific skills.

<https://www.unsw.edu.au/science/study-with-us/scix-school-extension-program>

UNSW Screen Production Showcase

24 November

Celebrate the next generation of filmmakers at the School of Arts and Media's Screen Production Showcase. A thrilling and captivating array of works by Bachelor of Media students on the big screen at the Ritz Cinema, Randwick.

<https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/screen-production-showcase>

UNSW BE GradEx

27 November

Join us at the School of Built Environment's yearly showcase which exhibits and celebrates the work of final year students from seven disciplines in the unique setting of Sydney's White Bay Power Station.

<https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/be-gradex>

UNSW Parents Info Evening 2025

17 December

Support your child as they prepare to finalise their path to UNSW.

Empower yourself to support your child on their journey to university. At our Parents Info Evening, you'll understand your teen's options and learn how to provide the support they need to navigate their decision. The event is held the night before ATARs release and UAC preferences close for our main round of offers – it'll prepare you for the big day ahead.

<https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/unsw-parents-info-evening-2025>

UNSW Info Day 2025

18 December

Your ATAR isn't everything, it's one indication of how your next steps could look.

Join us on campus to get personalised advice on which UNSW degree or pathway is best for you. Info Day is the perfect opportunity to get all of your last minute questions answered, the day ATARs are released. Get a taste of life as a UNSW student before you make your decision.

<https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/unsw-info-day-2025>

UNSW Info Week: Parents Information Evening 2025

17 December

Empower yourself to support your child while they navigate their path to university.

Have a Year 12 student at home? Join us at the UNSW Parents Info Evening to equip yourself with the knowledge and strategies to support your child as they prepare for university.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/unsw-info-week-parents-information-evening-2025-online-tickets-1849876011949>

University - General

Free UCAT Handbook

This eBook, created by MedEntry's experts, is the most in-depth free medical entry resource available online. Understand the entire process of medical entry, including strategies for success, sample UCAT questions, how to prepare for interviews and admissions information.

<https://www.medentry.edu.au/free#ucat-handbook>

Simulated UCAT Day Workshop: 2-part program - Upcoming Dates

20 December (Online)

24 January (Online)

31 January (Chatswood)

The Simulated UCAT Day (SUD) 2-Part workshop conducted over a full day and a follow-up session.

If you are in Yrs. 10, 11, 12, or you may be older and considering sitting the UCAT in the future, then this program is for you. The Simulated UCAT Workshop program is ideal and often a necessary step towards effective and efficient preparation for the UCAT.

The workshop is primarily designed to cover fundamental techniques in navigating all five sections of the UCAT test and also for participants to gain a better understanding of their own level of preparedness for the test. Over the course of the years, the program has evolved into a more comprehensive and holistic exercise, which not only achieves its primary goal, but it is also exposing students to a wealth of knowledge about all other aspects of the journey into a medical degree. The latest update has seen the program grow into a 2-Day event as the sheer amount of content covered was too great to fit into a 1-day program.

<https://www.nie.edu.au/ucat-courses/simulated-ucat-day-workshop>

University of Melbourne Accommodation

Explore our trusted University accommodation options. Designed for University of Melbourne students, find quality and secure accommodation made for their needs and success. Rooms are still available for students wishing to apply.

<https://study.unimelb.edu.au/accommodation>

TAFE

Apprenticeship Incentives Explorer

See what specific financial support and payments you may be eligible for with the Incentives Explorer. As an apprentice or employer, you may be eligible for Government payments throughout an Australian Apprenticeship. Use the Incentives Explorer to see what payments and incentives you could claim. Answer questions as accurately as possible to see what you may be eligible for.

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.au/support-and-resources/incentives-explorer>

Financial Support for Apprentices - Trade Support Loan

A Trade Support Loan is an interest free loan to help you purchase trade tools and supplies while being an apprentice. You can borrow up to \$24,492 (2023-2024), which is paid in monthly instalments. You will not have to repay your loan until you are earning an income above the minimum repayment threshold (\$51,550 for 2023-24). Once you complete your apprenticeship, you will receive a 20% discount on your loan amount.

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.au/support-and-resources/financial-support-apprentices#trade-support-loan-1>

Financial Support for Apprentices - Living Away From Home Allowance

If you have to move away from your parents' or guardians' home to take up or continue training as an Australian Apprentice you may be eligible for the Living Away From Home Allowance (LAFHA) to support you with the additional costs of living.

LAFHA is a weekly tax-free payment that reduces as you progress in your training:

- In your first year of training you would receive: \$77.17 per week
- In your second year of training you would receive: \$38.59 per week
- In your third year of training you would receive: \$25 per week

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.au/support-and-resources/financial-support-apprentices#living-away-from-home-allowance-3>

Apprenticeships - Support for Diverse Cohorts

The Australian Government is improving access to Australian Apprenticeships and helping build a more diverse workforce. See if you're eligible for additional support.

The Australian Government provides additional support for:

- Women in Trades
- First Nations Australians
- People with disability

Find out what support you can get as part of your apprenticeship.

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.au/support-and-resources/support-priority-cohorts>

Tocal Short Courses

Tocal's skills training offers courses delivered in varying modes from fully online, to fully face-to face. Funding may be available for eligible participants. All trainers are current, experienced industry professionals.

<https://www.tocal.nsw.edu.au/courses/short-courses>

CIT Information Sessions

If you have questions about a course you're interested in or need help enrolling, you can speak directly with CIT teachers and support staff at a course information session.

<https://cit.edu.au/study/course-information-sessions>

CIT Open Day 2025

14 November

Join us at CIT Open Day and experience what it's like to study at Canberra's leading vocational education provider. Whether you're finishing school, upskilling or ready for a career change, this is your chance to explore your options, meet expert teachers and see our state-of-the-art facilities in action.

<https://cit.edu.au/citevents/open-day>

TAFE Open Week 2025

17-23 November

TAFE NSW Open Week is an opportunity for prospective students to learn about TAFE NSW courses, facilities and support services.

This year's event will provide more flexibility and more live interactions, with a chance to chat directly with our expert teachers, join Information Sessions and explore courses in detail.

Perspective students will also discover more about scholarships, degrees, pathway opportunities, flexible study options, enrolment support and so much more.

<https://www.tafenswevents.com.au/event/tafe-nsw-open-week-2025>

Private Colleges

Get an Early Offer into JMC Academy

JMC Academy's Early Entry Program offers a great opportunity for students to secure their spot in their chosen course ahead of their final exams. This program allows students with creative potential to jumpstart their education journey. It's a fantastic way for students to ease the stress of their final year, knowing they have a place waiting for them at JMC, and can fully concentrate on their current studies with confidence and clarity.

<https://www.jmccademy.edu.au/study-at-jmc/early-entry-program/>

Newswriting Basics Jscool Journalism College

Next Intake 5 December

Newswriting Basics is a micro journalism course offered to senior secondary students this summer by Jscool Journalism College.

<https://jschool.com.au/micro/>

JMC Change of Preference Night

18 December

Join us for an exclusive evening for Year 12 students to discover what makes JMC Academy one of Australia's leading creative institutions. Hear from current students and alumni about their study experiences, career journeys, and how they turned their passion into a creative career they love.

<https://www.jmccademy.edu.au/news-and-events/events/change-of-preference-night-sydney/>

Australian Institute of Music - Open Day

21 November

Tour our campus, meet your future academics and classmates, explore our state-of-the-art facilities, catch live performances, and discover how our degrees in Performance, Composition, Creative Technology-Audio and Music Business can help you build your career in music.

If you've just finished school or are taking a gap year, this is your chance to see where your future in music begins; and you don't have to wait.

<https://aim.edu.au/news/syd-campus-mini-open-day/>

Australian Institute of Music - Music Theatre Audition Day

21 November

Our open-call audition day offers a collaborative and experience-based environment, allowing applicants to work with faculty and get a sense of what student life is like at AIM.

Across the course of the day, prospective students will participate in a series of classes in addition to a 1:1 interview/audition.

THE AUDITION PROCESS CONSISTS OF:

- **Singing:** Students will be assessed on vocal technique and development potential in addition to general musicality. Two contrasting pieces are required to be performed. All sheet music in the correct keys should be supplied by the prospective student.
- **Acting:** Students will be required to perform a prepared monologue (2-3 mins) of their choosing in addition to general acting instruction on the day, assessing skill level and potential for development.
- **Dancing:** Students will be assessed on their technical abilities, approach to dance/movement and potential for development.

Comfortable clothing that allows you to move well is encouraged. Chorus heels/dance shoes are preferred, if not available any active shoe is acceptable. Pen and paper may be useful, but not essential.

<https://aim.edu.au/whats-on/syd-music-theatre-audition-day-2025/>

SAE Change of Preference

12 December

No matter where SAE University College lands on your higher education preference list, our Change of Preferences Online Session will help you figure out exactly where you want to be. Come vibe with us to uncover the real deal about who we are, what sets us apart, and where a degree from SAE could take you!

<https://sae.edu.au/event/change-of-preference/>

ICMS Parents' Information Evening

18 November

As a parent, you play a vital role in your child's successful transition from school to higher education. We understand that choosing where and what to study can be a daunting and stressful decision – and not just for your school leaver. The ICMS Parents' Information Evening will help you support your school leaver as they navigate the complex tertiary admissions process.

<https://www.icms.edu.au/event/parents-information-evening/>

ICMS Degree Taster Day

20 January

You know you want to study a degree which will give you an exciting career in a booming industry.... but with so many options, which one will you choose?

The ICMS Degree Taster Day gives you a sneak peek into what it's like to study a bachelor's degree in an area you're interested in. This is a chance to try out different specialisations – without any commitment. Don't make a mistake and enrol in the wrong degree. Instead, try before you buy.

<https://www.icms.edu.au/event/degree-taster-day/>

NAS Portfolio Review Session (In Person)

18 November

Receive one-on-one feedback on your portfolio from a member of the NAS Academic Team. Putting together a strong portfolio is one of the most important parts of your application to the National Art School. In this session, NAS lecturers will offer helpful advice to guide you through your portfolio preparation, plus provide personal feedback on your portfolio.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nas-portfolio-review-session-in-person-tickets-1508316056929>

Tropfest x AFTRS: A Night of Short Films

19 November

Join us for a special screening of the best of Tropfest to celebrate the return of the world's largest short film festival.

Join us in the AFTRS Main Theatre for a special screening of the best of Tropfest with an introduction from previous Tropfest alumni.

Whether you're an aspiring director, a film lover, or simply looking for a night of inspiration to create your next short film, this is your chance to experience a curated selection of past Tropfest favourites from the festival's iconic archives. Expect big laughs, bold storytelling, and the unmistakable energy that has made Tropfest a cornerstone of Australian film culture.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/tropfest-x-aftrs-a-night-of-short-films-tickets-1963656035061>

NAS BFA Information Session

25 November

Join our final online information session to discover what makes the National Art School's Bachelor of Fine Art (BFA) unique.

The BFA is designed to develop the skills, knowledge, and creative independence needed to build a sustainable career as an artist.

This will be the last BFA Info Session for students wishing to apply for the 2026 intake — so don't miss out!

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nas-bfa-information-session-online-tickets-1964624296156>

General

NSW Aboriginal Nursing and Midwifery Cadetship

Applications Open 15 December

Make a difference and care for Mob. Working with NSW Health as an Aboriginal nursing or midwifery cadet offers many opportunities.

Connection to culture is central to the health and well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Care and cultural understanding from an Aboriginal nurse or midwife allow patients to feel safer and advocated for when away from family and community.

Cadetships are available to support your dream of giving back to your community. They offer financial support, work placements and mentoring exposing you to the diverse possibilities of nursing and midwifery. They are a chance to focus on your studies, experience the workforce and build relationships.

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/nursing/aboriginal-strategy/cadetship/Pages/default.aspx>

4 Surprising Cyber Security Paths

These four experts all work for one of the world's biggest cyber security companies – but took very different paths to get there.

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/4-surprising-cyber-security-career-paths/>

HELP Loans

If you're going to study at a university or higher education provider, you might be enrolled in a place where the Australian Government pays part of your fees. This is called a Commonwealth supported place (CSP).

If you're enrolled in a CSP, you still have to pay some of your fees. You could get a HECS-HELP loan to pay for these.

If you aren't enrolled in a CSP, you are enrolled in a fee paying place. You could get a FEE-HELP loan to pay for your fees.

Each semester you might have to pay a fee for student services and amenities. You could get a SA-HELP loan to cover this fee.

If you're enrolled in a CSP and want to study overseas, you could get an OS-HELP loan to help pay your expenses.

<https://www.studyassist.gov.au/financial-and-study-support/how-student-loans-work>

7 Excellent Career Ideas For Language Learners

Here is an excellent message for all of you who love learning a language. Are you learning a language to further your career? 'Do you have a career in foreign languages? Of all the people I've surveyed and listened to over the years, career is one of the most popular motivators for foreign language learning. The reality is that for most people they don't actually have a 'passion' or deep interest in learning languages like some of us do.

<https://www.mezzoguild.com/foreign-language-careers/>

International Student Art Contest - Science Without Borders

Entries close 2 March 2026

The *Science Without Borders Challenge* is an international contest that engages students and teachers in ocean conservation through art. This annual competition inspires students to be creative while promoting public awareness of the need to preserve, protect, and restore the world's oceans and aquatic resources, contributing to the overarching goals of the Khaled bin Sultan Living Oceans Foundation. The *Challenge* is open to primary and secondary school students 11-19 years old, with scholarships of up to \$500 awarded to the winning entries

<https://www.livingoceansfoundation.org/education/science-without-borders-challenge/>

The Brother John Taylor Memorial Prize

Nominations Close 28 February 2026

This prize is presented each year to a student or students who have overcome significant hardship to achieve academic excellence in their HSC. Find out about nominations, past recipients and donors.

This award was first presented in 1993 in memory of Brother John Taylor who made a significant contribution to education in NSW.

The Brother John Taylor Memorial Prize recognises excellent achievement in the HSC by a student or students despite disability or another disadvantage.

The prize consists of a cash grant, a trophy and a certificate recognising the award.

It's administered by a committee representing NESA, Catholic Schools NSW, the NSW Department of Education and the Association of Independent Schools NSW.

School staff members and principals can make nominations for the Brother John Taylor Memorial Prize. Nominees need to have overcome significant disadvantage and achieved academic excellence in the HSC.

The committee awarding the prize make a decision about each student's circumstances. They consider both the extent of the disadvantage and the academic achievement demonstrated by the student's HSC results.

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/awards-and-events/brother-john-taylor-memorial-prize>

LetzLive Gap Year

As industry leaders and a respected partner of prominent schools, we provide overseas Gap Year opportunities for young people across the world. Since embarking on our own Gap Year, we can personally relate to the experiences had by our participants and provide ongoing support every step of the way with full-time staff located in Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. We believe the support we offer and how we place participants based on their skills and preferences are just some of the reasons why we are leaders in the Gap Year field.

Over the years we have established solid relationships with over 200 prominent schools globally and several hundred placements annually. Let us guide you through the whole process so you can begin the best year of your life.

<https://letzlive.org/types/gap-year/>

7 ways to get started in tech

There's never been a better time to sort your future study game plan. Yep, you can definitely get a head start while you're still at high school – in fact, we highly recommend it! Follow the seven steps below to get started in tech. Your future self (who will be in an awesome tech career, no doubt) will thank you for it.

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/7-ways-to-get-started-in-tech/>

Looking for Work Experience in Tech? Texperience to jump start your tech career!

Want an elite tech job, like 3D animator, YouTube data scientist or Apple software engineer, but not sure where to start? If so, this list of companies offering tech-focused work experience programs is for you!

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/texperience-to-jump-start-your-tech-career/>

InspiredED November Kick Start Sessions

15 November - Newcastle University

Join us for a FREE day of HSC sessions to help you get ahead for 2026

Our teachers are acknowledged by their peers as the most passionate, qualified and experienced in the HSC.

The key to the success of this program is tapping into their knowledge and insight into the marking process – thus removing uncertainty around the trials.

<https://events.inspired.edu.au>