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Password: **mhs2013**

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<http://www.mhscareers.com/Calendar.html> to see upcoming events.

www.privatecollegesaustralia.com to see the lists of private colleges.

Jobs

Go to <http://www.indeed.com.au/> and type apprenticeship or traineeship in the "what" box. Or try other searches from <http://www.mhscareers.com/JobSearch.html>.

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From the Careers desk...

Tax File Number Applications must be in to the Careers Office by 13 November 2013 if you would like to have it before Christmas. Applications will still be processed after this date.

*For the first time, Year 11 students will be able to access their Year 11 grades from Students Online. From **Wednesday 13 November** students can use their Board of Studies student number and 6 digit PIN to access their eRecord, which will show their 2013 Year 11 grades and their 2012 Year 10 grades. Results for Students that undertook the optional Literacy and Numeracy tests will also be shown. Students must activate their account first to see their grades.*

A RoSA (Record of School Achievement) credential or a Transcript of Study will be mailed to students whose schools have notified the Board that they are leaving school.

*Ms Elks
Careers Adviser*

Employment Focus in Term 4

☺ Apprenticeships & Traineeships

☺ Getting a Job! That's hard work.

NSW Board of Studies To Do List

Years 10, 11 & 12 have you...

☺ Year 11 Grades available online from 13 November

☺ Year 12 2014 can now begin making appointments with Ms Elks to discuss future plans.

See Ms Elks for all information in this newsletter!





Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Thinking of leaving school, then there are a few things that you need to do.

Finding an Apprenticeship or Traineeship

You apply for an apprenticeship or traineeship in the same way that you apply for a job. But first you need to find that job.

The following information provides access and lots of different ways to find an employer to take you on as an apprentice or trainee, including:

☐ **Australian Apprenticeships Centres**

A good place to start is your local [Australian Apprenticeships Centre](#) (new window). Search their site or call Apprenticeships Australia on 13 38 73 (local call cost).

☐ **Advertised job vacancies**

Searching online, registering with a job website and browsing newspaper classifieds is a well-worn way to look for work, but it works. Try:

- Checking local and national newspapers
- Searching online

Using [Australian Job Search](#) (new window)

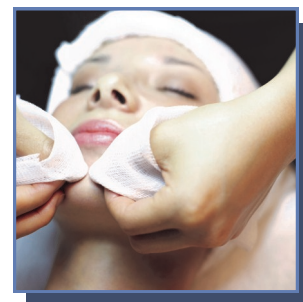
☐ **Use Your Own Networks**

Let people - like your family, friends and co-workers - know that you're looking for an apprenticeship or traineeship. Someone might know someone who can help.

Once you have some names and contact details, you can find out if those employers are taking on apprentices or trainees. Even if they aren't they might know someone who is. Here are some tips for ways to chase down employers:

- When you hear of a potential lead, get the name and contact details
- Go ahead and give them a call
- Consider offering to do some work experience first
- Make sure you get paid for any trial work

You could also try approaching employers directly, but brush up on your [cold calling skills](#) before you start.





☐ Group training organisations

A Group Training Organisation (GTO) is an organisation that employs apprentices and trainees and places them with host employers. A GTO takes responsibility for the training and the wellbeing of its apprentices and trainees. If you register with a GTO, they'll work to find an apprentice or trainee placement for you.

Some GTOs specialise in a particular industry, while others work with a range of industries in their area. When you sign up, you're officially employed by them, so they do all the paperwork relating to things like your wages and super-annuation.

To find a Group Training Organisation near you, go to the [Group Training Australia](#) website (new window).

☐ The Australian Apprenticeships Access Program

The Australian Apprenticeship Access Program is a Federal Government program that gives nationally recognised training, support, and assistance to job seekers who experience difficulty entering skilled employment.

If you're eligible, you can take advantage of this free government service to skill up, work out what you want and then find an apprenticeship.

Find out more about [Australian Apprenticeships Access Program](#) website (new window), including what's involved and who can apply.

☐ School Careers Advisers

Your Careers Adviser can give you information and resources about a particular industry and related work experience or she may even know some employers who could take you on as an apprentice or trainee.

Applying for an Apprenticeship or Traineeship

Applying for an apprenticeship or traineeship is just the same as any job, so you need to use the same care and attention to detail:

- Avoid poor spelling and grammatical errors
- Make sure the application is addressed to the right person
- Follow the instructions provided in the job advertisement - all of them

Get your application in by the due date

Use a Cover Letter

Employers are looking for apprentices or trainees who are reliable, enthusiastic and willing to learn. Use your cover letter to highlight that you're this type of person.

Check out our [How to write a cover letter](#) page for tips on how to put together cover letters, as well as links to sample cover letters you can download and use to create your own.



Get Yourself Some References

Get a reference from someone who can support this - a teacher, family friend or current employer. References are written letters of recommendation that you send copies of to your potential employers.

You could also just get someone to agree to be your referee. That means they agree to let you include their contact details on your resume (see below), so that they can be contacted by employers to talk about your skills and experience. Check out our [Who Can Be My Referee?](#) page for more tips on getting a reference.

Highlight Your Experience With a Resume

In your resume, highlight any related subjects you studied at school (such as VCAL or VCE VET subjects) and relevant work experience.

If you don't have any work experience, focus on any major school, community or sports projects you've been involved in and clearly state your role and contribution to the team. Check out our [How to Write a Resume](#) page for more information, and links to some templates you can download to create your own resume.

Prepare for the Interview

If you get an interview you need to prove that training you is worth their time and money. Show that you:

- Should be hired
- Know about the company
- Know about the industry
- Have some experience
- Are interested and enthusiastic

Visit the [Job Interviews](#) section for more information on how to get ready for a job interview, and what to expect.



Looking for an Apprenticeship in Commercial Cookery?

Nepean TAFE Kingswood is offering competencies from Certificate III Commercial Cookery

NO FEES REQUIRED

This course is equivalent to one Semester of the Cookery Trade course. If you complete this training you will be granted credit towards your NSW Government funded apprenticeship.

Hospitality training Network will organise an industry placement for you.

- This course also provides:
- Personal Protective Equipment
 - Learning Resources: Workbooks
 - Learner Support, and much, much more

Information Session

When Thursday 14 November, 3.30pm

Where Entree Restaurant
Building H, 2-10 O'Connell St
TAFE College Kingswood

Course starts 19 November, completes 20 December 2013 and includes work experience.

For more information contact HTN on 1300 139 108 or send resumes to recruitment@htn.com.au
www.wsi.tafensw.edu.au



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Getting a job? That's hard work

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Hospitality training recruits Memuna Jalloh, Ibrahim Koroma and Lewis Monson. Picture: James Croucher Source: TheAustralian

AUSTRALIA'S young people are missing important life and workplace skills and the obstacles are even greater in disadvantaged communities, where the youth unemployment rate can be as high as 40 per cent.

Hospitality training recruits Ibrahim Koroma, Memuna Jalloh and Lewis Monson have all experienced the devastating perfect storm of factors - including lack of transport, money and English skills - which combine to inflate youth unemployment figures.

The national unemployment rate is 5.8 per cent, but in central western Sydney, which takes in Auburn, one-third of young people aged 15-24 were unemployed in August, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

In far north Queensland a quarter were unemployed and in Wollongong, south of Sydney, a fifth of people under 24 were without work.

New labour force data will be released from the Australia Bureau of Statistics today and policymakers should pay particular attention to the circumstances of young Australians, according to training groups.

Skilling Australia Foundation chief executive Nicholas Wyman said university skills had trumped the attainment of "job-ready" skills in Australia.

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www.theaustralian.com.au/business/getting-a-job-thats-hard-work/story-e6frg8zx-1226735720167

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“We are at risk of losing a generation of employees,” he said.

There is a myopic focus on university pathways in this country . . . I’m not saying university is bad, but there are plenty of other pathways and we need to help young people get on to them.”

It’s a remark buttressed by the simple joy Mr Koroma felt when he learned he had finally found a job.

“I remember the phone call when I was told I was employed, I didn’t believe it,” the 21 year old said.

He secured an apprenticeship at the Marriott Hotel in Sydney after an intensive four-week training program created by the Skilling Australia Foundation with the global bank Citi.

“Only one of my friends had a job and I was just hanging out on the street doing nothing, even though my passion was cooking,” Mr Koroma said.

He and Ms Jalloh were born in Sierra Leone but were forced to flee the civil war, arriving in Australia with poor English skills.

Ms Jalloh said she started looking for a job during her HSC in NSW but stopped after 18 months, deciding to take part in the training program, which resulted in an apprenticeship at a Mexican restaurant in Sydney.

These concerns were rendered more pressing yesterday as the OECD Program for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies released the results of its survey of 16 - 64 year olds, which revealed age was a key factor in how Australians performed on literacy, numeracy and problem-solving tasks.

While Australia performed above-average on literacy skills among 20 OECD countries, it achieved middle-of-the-road scores on numeracy and problem-solving skills, with these results generally worse for people aged up to 25 and older than 45.



Gain a QUALIFICATION and a JOB in 6 months!

At TAFE - Western Sydney Institute (WSI) it is important to us that we make your learning experience engaging and enjoyable and that we provide you with the tools to achieve your career goals.

Our graduates are immediately employable and productive in the workplace and have the skills employers need and value.

Course Name	Proposed Timetable	Career Opportunity
1175 Cert III Business Administration	Mon, Wed & Thu 9am -2.30pm or Mon & Wed 9am - 4.30pm or Mon & Wed 6-9pm	General/administrator clerk Junior personal assistant Receptionist
11739 Cert III Business Administration (Medical)	Mon & Wed 6-9pm & Tues & Thu 9am-1.30pm	Medical receptionist Medical records clerk Medical secretary

ENROL ONLINE NOW!
www.tafensw.edu.au

For more information contact Julie Bartlett - Head Teacher
Julie.Bartlett@tafensw.edu.au
02 4724 8213
117 Henry Street, Penrith NSW 2750



**REAL
SKILLS
REAL
JOBS**



**SIGN UP
FOR THE
CITI NEW
RECRUITS
PROGRAM**

The Citi New Recruits is a 4 week state funded pre-apprenticeship program that will help you gain the skills and knowledge required to get a real job in the hospitality and tourism industry.

- Completion will increase your chances of getting hired by a local business.

- Completion will increase your earning potential
- Long term job outcomes
- Units towards a Certificate III in Commercial Cookery SIT30812, the first step to being an apprentice or trainee
- Get matched with an industry mentor
- Uniform provided

ENROL NOW

To find out more contact Lisa: llee@wpcgroup.org.au

**INCREASE
YOUR EARNING
POTENTIAL**

This training is funded by the NSW Government in partnership with the Commonwealth Government and forms part of the Youth Agreement and Transitions Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program.

Program commences November and Early 2014



Melbourne
440 William St
West Melbourne, VIC 3003
p 1300 656 461

web www.wpcgroup.org.au

Sydney
2/190 George Street
Parramatta, NSW 2150
p 1300 760 099

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Careers in the Australian Defence Forces



ADF offers exciting career opportunities

How impressive were the Navy's 100th year celebrations! Tens of thousands visited ships and the fireworks were enjoyed by all Australians.

There's an opportunity for young men and women to join the Defence Forces and serve in the military in hundreds of different ways from the fighting troops to the trades and engineers, IT and medical people who support our service men and women.

The Australian Defence Force (ADF) is one of the largest employers in Australia, employing over 80,000 men and women. Men comprise 79% of the workforce and women 21% (30/06/2011). [View Women in ADF.](#) (web)

The minimum entry is 17 years of age and there are opportunities at all levels of education. [View Recruitment Centre Info](#) (web).

Personalised Job Finder Quiz

Some jobs require you to be a certain age, or have certain qualifications. By providing information about yourself, the ADF can show you jobs that are more relevant to you, your interests and your qualifications. [View JobFinder](#) (web).

Resources

[ADF Download and Brochures](#) (web)

[Careers Information, Army, Navy, Air Force. List of all careers](#) (PDF)

[ADF Trades Jobs](#) (PDF)

Myfuture links to jobs in the ADF.

(Click job to view career details on Myfuture website).

Air Force - [Air Force General Entrant](#) | [Air Force Officer](#) | [Air Force Technician/Tradesperson](#)

Navy - [Navy Officer](#) | [Navy Sailor](#) | [Navy Specialist Sailor](#)

Army - [Army Officer](#) | [Army Soldier](#) | [Army Soldier - Tradesperson](#)



WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

SCHOOL 2 HEALTH WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM 2014

Western Sydney Local Health District (WSLHD) offers a Work Experience Program to local secondary schools students between years 10-12, as part of their School 2 Health initiative. Work Experience provides the student with the opportunity to gain insight into the working life of health professionals, as well as find out about the educational and professional journey required for different professions. It is hoped that from this the student will be able to make an informed decision about whether or not a health career is for them.

If you are interested in work experience in 2014 in Nursing, Physiotherapy or any other healthcare profession, please see Ms Elks for an information and application pack by 29 November 2013. No late applications will be accepted by Western Sydney Local Health District.



The AIE Work Experience Program is a great way for secondary students in years 10 to 12 to learn about the interactive entertainment and digital industries. The week will open the door to the range of career possibilities in the industry and allow students to get

hands-on with the tools of the trade.

The Work Experience Program encompasses a range of activities including 3D animation, programming, QA testing and much more.

Due to the popularity of the Work Experience Program, there are no spots available in 2013. If you are interested in applying for work experience in 2014, please fill in the application details on the website, www.aie.edu.au (in the Work Experience section under *Student Information*).

In the mean time, please feel free to come along to the next Open Day on Sunday, 16 November, from 10am to 3pm.

Changes to Education Entry Requirements - The NSW Institute of Teachers is working with universities to ensure high quality entrants to teacher education programs. As a result, from 2014, a literacy and numeracy test based on the NSW curriculum will be implemented in all universities before students attend their final practice teaching placement. All current and commencing Education students across NSW must successfully pass this test in order to register with the Institute of Teachers. Another fundamental change is the achievement of a Band 5 in three Higher School Certificate (HSC) subjects, including English. Although there is no set date for the implementation of this new requirement, it may affect applicants wishing to commence their studies in Semester 1, 2015. For more information please visit the NSW Institute of Teachers website, or click here: <http://www.nswteachers.nsw.edu.au/>

William Angliss Institute is now taking applications for scholarships through the William Angliss Institute Foundation including new scholarships for 2014. Scholarship applications for semester 1, 2014 close on Friday 15 November 2013. For more information and application forms, please go to: <http://www.angliss.edu.au/sydney/General-Information/foundation-scholarships>



Raffles College of Design and Commerce Annual Graduate Fashion Show. 6pm Tuesday 10th December at Carriageworks, 245 Wilson Street Eveleigh. Previewing collections from the emerging designers, the professional runway show is the culmination of three year's work for the fashion design graduates. Be in the crowd among the likes of VIP industry and media guests. Tickets cost \$25 and \$20 for concession. Please rsvp to jaimiwalker@raffles.edu.au.

Raffles College of Design and Commerce Annual Graduate Exhibition. 7pm Tuesday 10th December at Carriageworks, 245 Wilson Street Eveleigh. Held in conjunction with the annual graduate fashion show, the graduation provides a visual feast of inspired creativity and edgy design. Student works from Fashion Design, Games Design, Animation, New Media and Digital Film, Graphic Design, Interior Design, Multimedia Design and Photography will be on show. This is a free event but RSVP is encouraged to fast-track your entry. Please email jaimiwalker@raffles.edu.au.

Online IT Diplomas for Students with a passion for the ICT sector. Via the Computer Power Institute eCampus, students can study for their IT Diploma – anytime, anywhere. The Diploma of Software Development or the Diploma of IT Networking. The Diplomas are underpinned with up to 7 International Certifications from Microsoft, Cisco and CompTIA. Diplomas can be completed in 12 months under fulltime study. Free National Job Placement Program provided. Contact Access Knowledge on (03) 86186818 or info@accessknowledge.com.au or www.accessknowledge.com.au

Bedford College Norwest Campus Grand Opening- Come along to the new Norwest Campus on Saturday 18 January 2014 between 10am and 3pm for our Grand Opening/70th Birthday Celebrations. Councillor Michelle Byrne, Mayor of the Hills Shire Council will officially open the new campus and there will be plenty of activities held throughout the day including campus tours, interviews with past and present students, information seminars and a free sausage sizzle. For further information visit www.bedford.edu.au or call 1300 174 174.

Sydney Design School is the only School in Australia who focus exclusively on Interior Design and Decoration. Nationally accredited courses are offered in Certificate IV In Interior Decoration (LMF40408), Diploma Of Interior Design & Decoration (LMF50408), Advanced Diploma Of Interior Design (LMF60208). Their Succeed Program has been developed for young adults aged between 18-24. Students are taught by practising designers, given career coaching and VET FEE-HELP is available for the Diploma and Advanced Diploma. For more information: www.sydneydesignschool.com.au or email info@sydneydesignschool.com.au

Empower College, offering careers in childcare. They offer training and job placement for students wanting to enter the childcare industry. To enquire about the opportunities available, call 1300 659 772 or visit our website www.empowercollege.edu.au.

Gap Medics Australian Summer Special in Thailand and Tanzania : Aspiring medics, dentists, nurses and midwives between the ages of 16 -25 can join us this summer in Thailand or Tanzania from 5th January 2014! Here they will shadow healthcare professionals in a variety of departments, getting a real-life insight into the work of medical professionals in a new and exciting country. Visit www.gapmedics.com.au for more information.

Agriculture RuralBiz Training offers accredited courses at Diploma level in both Agriculture and Agribusiness Management. These courses are available online, so your students do not have the costs of travel or accommodation. VET FEE-HELP (a student loan scheme) is available to assist with course fees - \$0 upfront. These courses are well suited to students who want to work on farm while studying. A pathway exists for the Associate Degree in Agrifood Systems at University of New England (UNE). www.ruralbiztraining.com.au

NIDA: HSC Video course. Consider screen language, direction and design which inform the making of a video project for HSC subjects. The focus is on how to tell a story on screen. This course is designed for secondary school students about to undertake a video project for Drama, English or Visual Art. Dates: Monday 9 to Friday 13 December, 9.30am-4.30pm. Cost: \$565 (earlybird cost: \$515, until 8 November). Bookings at www.nida.edu.au/short-courses or email open@nida.edu.au

20 Week Certificate III in Children's Services Class – 2014 Intake now open. ACCCO is combining classroom learning, with practical work experience at a child care centre of student's choice, to give Graduates the essential skills and knowledge required to kick start a fulfilling career in child care. To request an information pack, please contact Jacque Goh on 0412 675 138 or send an email to Jacqueline.goh@accco.com.au.



Scholarships for indigenous Australians to study Engineering and IT Due date to be extended: contact Tracy Love tracy.love@sydney.edu.au. Two industry partners offer scholarships to support indigenous students who are studying Engineering or IT at the University of Sydney. Leighton Contractors offer a \$10000 p.a. scholarship to study Civil, Electrical or Mechanical Engineering, and NBN Co offer a \$30000 p.a. scholarship to study Civil, Electrical and Information Engineering or Information Technologies. More information at <http://sydney.edu.au/engineering/scholarships/undergraduate/future/indigenous.shtml>

Study your HSC at Randwick TAFE in 2014 information session. Come along and meet teaching staff and learn about the great range of flexible, vocational HSC course options available at Randwick TAFE in 2014. When? 5.30-7.00pm, Tuesday 26 November. Where? Room A2.11, Building A, Randwick TAFE, corner Darley Road and King Street, Randwick. Contact: Asha Swarup: 9469 8564 or Brooke Walford/Meredith Melville-Jones: 9469 8711

Billy Blue College of Design is running a series of free workshops covering the various exciting areas of Digital Media Design as well as a Portfolio Preparation workshop for all prospective students. You will get to take an active part in some thinking and making activities and will get a real taste of Billy Blue. Portfolio Prep workshop – Saturday, 7 December, 10am-1pm. More coming soon.
To book: 1300 851 245 or info@billyblue.edu.au

Camp America - is now recruiting enthusiastic, travel-hungry Aussies to work as counselors at summer camps in the USA from May-Aug 2014. Camp America is a 9-week adventure. It's your chance to get out and experience something different by living and working at a summer camp in the USA with thousands of others from all over the world. For more information please visit www.campamerica.com.au or call our experienced staff on 1300 889 067.

The Real Game 2.1 Digital Edition is a subscription-based career and life skills program for students aged 12 to 14. The series enables students to experience a simulation of adult life in a safe, risk-free environment. It also encourages students to be aware of 'global' character traits such as: respect, responsibility, honesty, integrity, empathy, fairness, initiative perseverance and courage. An online manual is available for teachers which provides step-by-step guidance on how to implement the game in their class. Visit www.curriculumpress.edu.au/main/goproduct/13050 for more information about The Real Game 2.1 Digital Edition.

Admission Advantage Early Entry Program - List a participating Macquarie degree as the first preference by 1 January 2014, and students could receive an early offer through our Early Entry Program. Offers will be based on HSC performance bands in subjects that relate to the chosen degree, and are made on 3 January 2014. Should a student meet or exceed the published Guaranteed Entry ATAR for the degrees listed in our Guaranteed Entry Program, then they'll be guaranteed a place in the relevant degree. Students won't need to do anything else – as long as that degree is listed as the first preference before the UAC Main round closes, they'll be guaranteed a place when Main Round Offers are released. For more information, visit: <http://www.mq.edu.au/admission-advantage/>

My Health Career - Do you have students who are buying into the hype around health and think that the health is the only industry where they can earn decent money? Check out our article "How much money do health professionals really earn?" and use it as a resource with your students! <https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/how-much-money-do-health-professionals-earn>. My Health Career – free information about what's happening in health: www.myhealthcareer.com.au

S P Jain School of Business Management - Do you have students passionate about a global business career, culturally aware and visionary? S P Jain's School of Business Management has a January 2014 intake and generous scholarships worth up to \$80,000 available for its Bachelor of Business Administration Degree. See www.spjain.org Offers will be made in early December based on school predicted grades and interview. Contact Greg Valentine at greg.valentine@spjain.org if you would like more information and to attend the Careers Advisers' Open Day at Olympic Park on Friday 8th November.

Macquarie Business Training Centre (MBTC) delivers vocational training to workplaces around Sydney. The focus is on quality business skills and community services courses to the level of Certificate III, Certificate IV, or Diploma. These courses are an ideal choice for students who prefer to attend a more personal learning environment with flexible classes and learning methods. MBTC also runs short courses with a focus on personal development or technology to help prepare for work or simply to develop a new interest. Visit www.macquarie.nsw.edu.au or call 8845 8888.



News from mhscareers.com

Australian Catholic University: Information Sessions

Students who are still exploring options for 2014 and need advice on course preferences or pathways to university are invited to attend an upcoming information session.

Strathfield & North Sydney: Fri 3rd January, 10am to 4pm

http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/future_students/your_acu/information_sessions

University of Sydney: NCSS Summer School

Applications Close Friday 15th November.

The National Computer Science School (NCSS) is a ten day summer school bringing together young people in years 11 and 12 from around Australia for an intensive course of computer programming and website development. The course is residentially based at the University of Sydney with academic staff, alumni and students organising the course.

Contact: summerschool@ncss.edu.au

<http://www.ncss.edu.au/index.html>

University of Technology Sydney: New Landscape Architecture Degree

The new Bachelor of Design in Landscape degree on offer in 2014 at the University of Technology Sydney is a course designed to develop skills in design, construction and management associated with both natural and built landscapes. It is on offer at their City campus and will take 4 years full time to complete.

<http://www.uts.edu.au/courses/571>

University of Sydney: History Course for Year 11/12 Students

Applications are due by Thu 12th December.

The United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney is offering a history course for Year 11 & 12 students that will provide students with credits towards a degree at the University of Sydney. The course is also endorsed as a HSC course by the Board of Studies NSW. The course is entitled 'America: Prophecy, Power, Politics' and covers an overview of major issues in contemporary and historical American society, politics and culture.

Contact: Amelia Trial on (02) 9036 5086 or amelia.trial@sydney.edu.au

<http://ussc.e-newsletter.com.au/link/id/zzzz525cc2c333e38547Pzzzz525cab8675b7d804/page.html>

Sydney College of Event Management: Information Session

Fri 15th November & Fri 6th December, 6:30pm

Level 9, 28 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills

Contact: 1300 725 846 or enquiries@collegeofeventmanagement.com.au

<http://collegeofeventmanagement.com.au/campus/information-sessions>

Endeavour College of Natural Health 2014 Scholarship Program

Applications close at 5pm on Wednesday 13th November.

Endeavour offers scholarships to high academically performing school leavers seeking a career in natural health and wellbeing. Up to six scholarships may be awarded at each campus. It will provide partial tuition fee support in a Bachelor of Health Science program.

<http://www.endeavour.edu.au/>

Youth Week in NSW 2014 Design Competition

Entries close 25th November.

This competition provides young people aged 12-25 with the opportunity to showcase their talent as a designer and to win a \$1,000 cash prize. The winning design will be used to brand Youth Week 2014 in NSW.

Contact: youthweek@youthweek.nsw.gov.au or (02) 8762 9824.

<http://youth.nsw.gov.au/youth-week-in-nsw/>

Greening Australia: Western Sydney 2014 Work Placement Program

Greening Australia are looking for people aged 16 to 23 who have a genuine interest in outdoor learning, environmental restoration, horticulture, nursery activities or landscaping. They will work with Greening Australia in Oxley Park and Richmond to develop practical work-based skills in environmental restoration, regeneration and community extension.

Contact: Chantelle Doyle on cdoyle@greeningaustralia.org.au or (02) 9673 5220.

<http://www.greeningaustralia.org.au/community/news-item?newsItemId=535&state=2&newsListingUrl=community/nsw&nationalId=7>



CQUniversity Australia

CQUniversity is offering a range of new programs in 2014. With exciting new developments in our Education; Engineering, Mining and Technology; Health and Medical Sciences; Humanities, Psychology and Social Work; Information Technology; and Science and Environment programs, there has never been a better time to study with CQUniversity.

A copy of the new program brochure can be found in the Careers Room at school or, for more information, visit www.cqu.edu.au/newprograms.

News from MACLEAY COLLEGE

Macleay College is now offering two new degrees: a **Bachelor of Journalism** and **Bachelor of Business**. These accelerated degrees take two years to complete and both have a minimum ATAR requirement of 65.

Students who enrol in these new degrees will experience tailor-made programs based on direct feedback from industry leaders. The extra subjects involved will allow students to deepen and broaden their knowledge in Business or Journalism, which will be essential to their job outcomes after graduating from Macleay.

Details for these courses are available from the Careers room at school or visit Macleay.edu.au

Macleay College is also offering three scholarships for Journalism, Advertising and Business.

Applications close on 31 December 2013.

Journalism Scholarship 2014

Macleay College is offering Australia's most unique Journalism Scholarship to a student with outstanding Journalism skills. The scholarship is valued at \$12,000 and has 2 sections; financial support for your course, plus an all expenses paid internship at the world renowned, award-winning Centre for Investigative Reporting (CIR) in California.

How to Apply

The scholarship is open to applicants of the Diploma of Journalism. Entries close 31 December 2013. The winner will be chosen by the Dean and the Head of Journalism. **The winner will be announced on 20 January 2014.**

To apply, you must submit an original story or feature about your local community. It can be:

1. a piece of writing—up to 1,000 words—in news or feature style, accompanied by a photograph/s; or
 2. a video story, of no more than three minutes' duration; or
 3. a radio bulletin of no more than three minutes' duration.
- Entries must be accompanied by a signed letter confirming that it is your own work, with a list of people interviewed for the story and their contact details.

The Rules

1. The winner must enrol at Macleay as a full time student in Trimester 1 2014 and pass the first 8 units of the 12-unit Diploma of Journalism (the normal academic progression) by the end of Trimester 2 2014. Having satisfied those requirements, they will then receive a two-week internship at the Centre for Investigative Reporting in California.
2. The scholarship includes airfares, accommodation and food and transport expenses (approximate value \$7,000).
3. The internship will be taken at a time determined by Macleay College before the end of 2014.
4. The winner will write stories for The Newsroom, Macleay College's own online news operation, and produce a report on future journalism, having interviewed key people at the CIR. Upon completion of their Diploma in 2014 the winner will also receive a further \$5,000 towards their course fees.
5. The winner agrees to be used in the future promotion of Macleay College scholarships, including articles, images and videos.



Advertising Scholarship 2014

Macleay College is offering its annual Advertising Scholarship to a student who demonstrates an exceptional level of creative thinking. The value of the year-long scholarship is \$25,800.

How to Apply

The scholarship is open to applicants of the Diploma of Advertising. Entries close 31 December 2013. The winner will be chosen by the Dean of Macleay College and the Head of Advertising. **The winner will be announced on 20 January 2014.**

To apply, you must submit the following pieces of work:

1. an exceptional piece of creative work (or documentation thereof). This can be a painting, sculpture, digital art, design project, performance, story, essay, article or blog.
2. an essay of no less than 1,000 words explaining why you are passionate about advertising and why you deserve the advertising scholarship.
3. an original print advertisement (A4 PDF file) to sell plain and simple drinking water. This article must include a key visual, headline, body copy, product logo and a call to action. The advertisement can be presented as a sketch or Photoshop mock-up.
4. a written rationale to support your print advertisement. This should include a description of the concept and the target group that the product is to be sold to, as well as suggestions where the advertisement would be best placed (in which magazines or newspapers, or in which locations and markets).
5. All documents should be compiled into one A4 PDF document with a minimum resolution of 150dpi.

The Rules

1. The winner must enrol at Macleay as a full time student in Trimester 1 2014 and pass the first 8 units of the 12-unit Diploma of Advertising by the end of Trimester 2 2014. Having satisfied those requirements, they will receive their scholarship.
2. Applicants must attend an interview at Macleay College during the review process.
3. The winner agrees to be used in the future promotion of Macleay College scholarships including articles, images and videos.

Business Scholarship 2014

Macleay College is offering its annual Business Scholarship to a student who demonstrates outstanding entrepreneurial skills as well as business and marketing talent. The scholarship is valued at \$25,800 and the winner will be properly tested during a day-long seminar that will include several individual and team challenges.

How to Apply

The scholarship is open to applicants of the Diploma of Business Management or Diploma of Marketing programs. Entries close 31 December 2013. the winner will be chosen by the Dean of Macleay College. **The winner will be announce on 20 January 2014.**

To apply, you must do the following:

1. Write an essay of no less than 1,000 words explaining why you are passionate about business and/or marketing, and why you deserve the scholarship.
2. Attend a full-day Entrepreneurs Workshop at Macleay College on 14 November 2013 with other scholarship applicants. This will be a high-powered day of briefings, teamwork sessions and individual presentations, hosted by Macleay College teachers and other industry experts. The successful Business Scholarship winner will be chosen based on their individual and team efforts during this day. It will be challenging, interesting, highly educational and, importantly, a lot of fun.

The Rules

1. The winner must enrol at Macleay a a full time student in Trimester 1 2014 and pass the first 8 units of the 12-unit Diploma of Business Management or Diploma of Marketing by the end of trimester 2 2014. Having satisfied those requirements, they will receive their scholarship.



Mastering the HSC

For Students Studying Year 11 or 12 in 2014



A FREE Lecture Series for HSC Students

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Dear Teacher, B*2

"Mastering the HSC" is a unique program designed to motivate, empower and organise students, and ensure they are provided with the necessary skills and information to maximise HSC marks. Featuring a unique collection of guest speakers and HSC exam markers, this exclusive event offers students a great opportunity to get ahead and maximise ATAR scores.

Valued at over \$250, these highly beneficial lectures are **FREE OF CHARGE*** to students. We do, however, require that students participating in this program make a *\$10 donation to the charity representatives that will be in attendance on each day. 50% of the proceeds collected will be donated to Beyond Blue and 50% will be donated to the Fred Hollows Foundation.

Program Features:

- In-depth **subject specific advice** from select HSC teachers (and exam markers) from top ranking schools in NSW. Hints and tips arising from years of HSC marking and teaching will be provided to students throughout each lecture.
- Exclusive advice from Australia's leading **learning/study skills specialist**. **Note:** Many of the skills and techniques that will be addressed have been proven to cut down on study time and markedly improve HSC marks, but are not known (or practised) by the majority of students.

Please find enclosed some brochures relating to "Mastering the HSC". We would appreciate it if you would make this program information available to those students who are studying HSC subjects in 2014.

Please do not hesitate to contact us on **1300 364 173** if you have any questions regarding this program.

Kind Regards,
TSFX.

Total Donated to Charity to Date: Over \$170,000

"It was a fascinating session. Really worth it and very informative."
Student - Hornsby Girls' High School

"This presenter was brilliant. I learnt so much that I didn't know, that hadn't been covered in class. Thank-you so much, I loved this lecture." Student - Loreto Normanhurst

"I was so inspired, I came home and did hours and hours of homework."

"Very helpful, especially the extra tips that you won't learn in class."



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Employment Opportunities

TSFX is seeking qualified practising HSC teachers to join our team of writers, lecturers and teaching staff. A variety of short term positions are available for teachers interested in additional work across the summer holidays, as well as throughout 2014.

The successful candidates are required to have a minimum of 3 years teaching experience in their subject areas (in a registered NSW school) at HSC level, and display strong written and verbal communication skills. Teachers interested in the development of trial examination papers and question banks must possess previous/current marking experience and/or previous experience writing examination questions.

Please contact Maegan Devine on maegan@tsfx.com.au for further information.

Top Tips for Students

To assist with time management, consider starting learning sessions (as well as general study sessions) with the finite tasks i.e. Those tasks that have set steps and cannot be reworked over and over again eg. calculation based questions.

Remove all distractions (such as the radio and TV) when committing knowledge to memory. Any stimulus that consumes "brain space" will decrease how much information can be input into the brain, meaning that it will take you longer to learn a set amount of material! Listening to music whilst doing general homework, is however, quite acceptable, as long as stress levels and workloads are low.

The best way of learning subjects/topics that involve calculations is by putting pen to paper and working through as many different questions as possible. You will, however, find that you will remember what you are learning faster and more thoroughly if you explain each step and why you are doing that step OUT LOUD.

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

Nelson Mandela

TSFX Student Poll - August 2013

25%

Only 25% of students believe that their school offers everything they need in order to achieve the higher scores.

TSFX Student Poll - September 2013

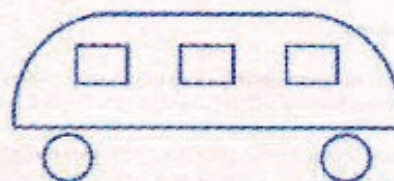
100%

How much time do students spend on Facebook?

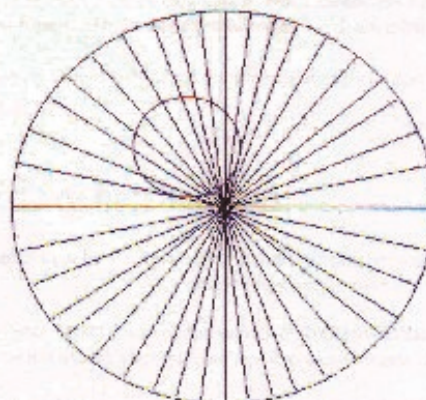
50% spend less than 1 hour on Facebook each day.
23% spend between 1 and 2 hours on Facebook each day.
27% spend more than 2 hours on Facebook each day!

Brain Boosters

In which direction is the bus pictured below travelling?



Is the inner shape below a perfect circle?



Answers are available at www.tsfx.com.au/brainboosters

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