Weekly Careers News for Queensland

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Events

This Week's Events

Mackay Defence Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force **Location:** Souths Leagues Club - Mackay

Date: April 28, 2025

Consider a career like no other and represent Australia with pride in the Navy, Army or Air Force. Speak with current serving personnel at our upcoming info session and ask your questions - is a

career in the Australian Defence Force for you?

Find out more and register

Maroochydore Navy Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force **Location:** Maroochydore ADF Careers Centre

Date: April 29, 2025

The Navy offers a multitude of career opportunities in trades, hospitality, logistics, aviation,

healthcare, engineering and much more.

Find out about serving, living and learning in the Navy by joining us for an info session. Speak with current serving members about their own experiences and advice and discover how the

Navy can shape your career. Find out more and register

Bowen Defence Careers Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force

Location: Bowen PCYC **Date:** April 29, 2025

Consider a career like no other and represent Australia with pride in the Navy, Army or Air Force. Speak with current serving personnel at our upcoming info session and ask your questions - is a

career in the Australian Defence Force for you?

Find out more and register

Townsville Army Reserve Information Session

Organisation: Australian Defence Force **Location:** Townsville ADF Careers Centre

Date: April 29, 2025

Consider serving locally in the Army Reserve. You will be part of something exciting, challenging and rewarding all while learning new skills and giving back to the community - and tax-free pay! To find out more about the rewarding challenges and experiences on offer, join us for a local info session.

Speak with current serving members about their own experiences and advice and learn about the wide range of part-time jobs available.

Find out more and register

Countdown to Uni

Organisation: Griffith University

Location: Online **Date:** April 29, 2025

The journey to university begins in high school – and we're here to help make the transition as smooth as possible.

Join our free webinar designed for Year 11 and 12 students, as well as their parents or guardians. We'll walk you through everything you need to know to prepare for university life at Griffith.

In this session, we'll cover key topics such as:

- How do I apply and make the most of my application?
- What alternative pathways are there into university?
- Can I get a scholarship?
- What's university life really like?

Don't miss this opportunity to get expert advice and have all your questions answered. Find out more and register

SCCE Information Session Webinar

Organisation: Southern Cross Cultural Exchange

Location: Online **Date:** April 29, 2025

Preparing for your exchange program is an important part of the process and is vital to continued program success. At these online meetings, an experienced member of our team will share an overview of the high school exchange programs with Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

You'll learn more about living with a host family and how studying overseas can help you develop confidence and independence... and gain a lifetime of memories.

Explore your destinations, program options and ask questions about how you can immerse yourself into a new life, culture, family, and high school overseas.

Find out more and register

JCU NOW Webinar

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: Online **Date:** April 29, 2025

JCU NOW offers Year 11 and 12 students a unique opportunity to experience university life by enrolling in first-year subjects taught by JCU's expert lecturers and tutors.

Students can choose from a variety of exciting subjects across different fields of study, including Human Rights Law, Design Thinking, Health and Healthcare in Australia, Educational Psychology, and more. The first JCU NOW subject is completely free, and additional subjects are offered at a significantly reduced cost.

Want to know more about how you can accelerate your learning with JCU NOW? Register for the JCU NOW Webinar, where you'll hear from expert staff, teachers and a current JCU NOW student, as well as have an opportunity to ask your own questions during a Q&A session.

Find out more and register

Greenslopes Partnership | Nursing Information Session

Organisation: TAFE Queensland

Location: Online **Date:** April 29, 2025

TAFE Queensland Gold Coast has an exciting opportunity, commencing in July 2025, to study the Diploma of Nursing (HLT54121) at Greenslopes Private Hospital as part of the TAFE Queensland Greenslopes Partnership.

If you would like to learn more about this integrated and innovative nursing course we would like to invite you to attend an online information session, which will last around an hour.

Find out more and register

UQ Ready, Cairns

Organisation: University of Queensland **Location:** Novotel Cairns Oasis Resort

Date: April 30, 2025

Join us for an informative night that will provide you with everything you need for a smooth transition from high school to university.

- Get advice on maximising your ATAR score and preparing for university.
- Understand the QTAC process, from application to offer.
- Hear about our diverse student support services, including mentoring, accommodation, neurodiversity support and more.
- Learn how to enrol and plan your timetable.
- Get tips for successfully transitioning from school to university.
- Hear about UQ's vibrant and inclusive campus culture.

The information will be valuable to any high school student looking to go to any university. Find out more and register

WEPTalk

Organisation: World Education Program

Location: Online **Date:** April 30, 2025

Join us online as we present information about WEP and our student exchange programs, including the best time to go, which countries offer which program, information about host

families, schools, and all other things student exchange!

Find out more and register

Senior subject selection and post-school pathways webinar

Organisation: Queensland University of Technology

Location: Online **Date:** May 1, 2025

Discover how to ensure your young person is ready for all possibilities available to them in the

future. Sessions for teachers and parents.

This free webinar will provide case studies, practical resources, and tips and tricks to help you

support Year 9 and 10 students to make informed decisions for their futures.

Carolyn Alchin (Career Educator and Teacher) will show you strategies to work with young people to understand themselves and to discuss careers exploration in terms of subject selection. Topics covered will include career exploration, the future world of work, and useful ways to connect SET planning pathways to career decision making and understanding of self.

Thursday 1 May, 2025

3.30pm - 4.30pm for Teachers

7pm - 8pm for Parents Find out more and register

May 2025 Open Day, Brisbane

Organisation: JMC Academy **Location:** JMC Brisbane Campus

Date: May 3, 2025

This is your chance to see our multi-million dollar world-class facilities.

- Explore your creative future and learn about our courses
- Meet our current students and industry expert lecturers

- Check out live student performances
- Tour our world-class facilities and tech
- Speak to us about the admissions process
- Get hands-on with our interactive activations

Find out more and register

Next Week's Events

Study Nursing at UniSC - Info Evenings

Organisation: University of the Sunshine Coast

Location: UniSC Caboolture, Gympie & Fraser Coast Campuses

Date: May 6 to May 8, 2025

Join us for our nursing information evening.

Learn about the pathways available into our nursing degrees. You'll hear from current students and industry professionals on a panel discussion, and get a sneak peek at our on-campus nursing labs (spoiler: they're set up to replicate actual hospital wards).

Whether you're an enrolled nurse who wants to step up to the next level, or you're contemplating getting into the industry, this event will offer insights to help you make an informed decision.

UniSC Caboolture: Tuesday 6 May, 4pm–5.30pm
UniSC Gympie: Wednesday 7 May, 4pm–5.30pm

• UniSC Fraser Coast: Thursday 8 May, 4pm-5.30pm

Find out more and register

Online Information Session - Counselling

Organisation: ACAP University College

Location: Online **Date:** May 6, 2025

Can you imagine yourself in child protection or helping people through grief or addictive behaviour? These are just a few career options you have with a qualification in Counselling. In this real-time online information session Dr Timothy Hsi will share insights into studying Counselling at ACAP and highlight what courses you could take to help others develop better self-awareness for a more positive path in life.

Find out more and register

UQ Ready, Bundaberg

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: Rural Clinical School Lecture Theatre

Date: May 6, 2025

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- Hear about our diverse student support services, including mentoring, accommodation, neurodiversity support and more.
- Learn how to enrol and plan your timetable.
- Get tips for successfully transitioning from school to university.
- Hear about UQ's vibrant and inclusive campus culture.

The information will be valuable to any high school student looking to go to any university. Find out more and register

Study at UniSQ - Drop-in Session

Organisation: University of Southern Queensland

Location: UniSQ Springfield Campus

Date: May 7, 2025

Whether you're starting your study journey, considering a return to university, or just seeking

more information about UniSQ and our degrees, we're here to help.

Visit our UniSQ Springfield Campus on Wednesday, May 7, from 5pm - 7pm to chat to our

friendly staff about starting your study journey.

Our friendly staff can help you understand more about:

- Degree information
- Entry options into university
- Pathway Programs
- Student Support Services
- · Recognition of Prior Learning
- Application support
- Fees and Scholarships
- Flexible study options and more.

Find out more and register

WEPBuddy Q&A

Organisation: World Education Program

Location: Online **Date:** May 7, 2025

Join us for a chat with our wonderful recently returned WEP students! They will be sharing their

tips and advice as well as answering your questions.

Find out more and register

Talk with Occupational Therapists and Speech Pathologists

Organisation: Australian Catholic University

Location: Online **Date:** May 7, 2025

Allied health practitioners help us live life to the fullest. You can diagnose, treat and rehabilitate

patients, and help improve their quality of life.

Join us online to hear from ACU students and alumni about their experiences. Take part in a Q&A session and learn about the rewarding and challenging careers of occupational therapists

and speech pathologists. Find out more and register

A Quick Guide to QUT: webinar for Year 9-10 students and parents

Organisation: Queensland University of Technology

Location: Online **Date:** May 7, 2025

Get tips and tools to help with course and career decisions, differences between school and

uni, and a Q&A with current students.

Find out more and register

Online Information Session – Criminology

Organisation: ACAP University College

Location: Online **Date:** May 7, 2025

Can you imagine yourself working in investigations, intelligence, or even corporate crime? These are just a few career options you have with a qualification in Criminology. In this real-time online information session Matthew Thurgood will share insights into studying Criminology at ACAP and ultimately provide insights into what courses you could take to gain skills, influence positive change and develop practical responses that can have a positive impact on criminal justice issues.

Find out more and register

Online Information Session – Psychology

Organisation: ACAP University College

Location: Online **Date:** May 7, 2025

Can you imagine yourself in a fascinating research role, contributing to mental health services or as a specialist in private practice? These are just a few career options you have with a qualification in Psychology.

In this real-time online information session Professor John Reece will share insights into studying Psychology at ACAP and ultimately provide you with information on courses you could study, and delve into the scientific research of individuals, society and culture.

Find out more and register

Bundaberg Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Jobs Bundaberg

Location: Bundaberg Multiplex Sport & Convention Centre

Date: May 7, 2025

This free community event is designed to enhance education, training, and employment outcomes in the Bundaberg Region. It attracts over 2,000 attendees and features more than 80 exhibitors in a one-day showcase.

- Network with peers & like-minded job seekers
- Discover new employment prospects and opportunities
- Uncover the many career pathways available to you
- Connect directly with employers and businesses

Find out more and register

Queensland Police Service Recruiting Seminar – Cairns

Organisation: Queensland Police Service **Location:** Cairns District Police Headquarters

Date: May 7, 2025

With the Queensland Police Service, you can have one career that has endless possibilities. The Queensland Police Service is recruiting real life experience, to make a real difference. Not sure:

- If you meet the requirements?
- If you're the right person for the job?
- If you get paid as a police recruit?
- How you progress in the QPS?
- What is expected during the recruiting process and the cost involved?

These and many more questions will be answered during this Recruiting Information Session. This session will be conducted by experienced, serving Queensland police officers. They will explain the requirements for entry and may also give you an insight into their own experiences. Find out more and register

Online Information Session – Social Work

Organisation: ACAP University College

Location: Online **Date:** May 7, 2025

Can you imagine yourself making a difference in a not-for-profit organisation, or working in the criminal justice system, or the government? These are just a few career options you have with a qualification in Social Work.

In this real-time online information session Professor Annie Venville will share insights into studying Social Work at ACAP and provide details of courses you could take to help others develop better self-awareness for a more positive path in life.

Find out more and register

Online Information Session – Coaching

Organisation: ACAP University College

Location: Online **Date:** May 8, 2025

Can you imagine yourself as a private coach, consultant or professional facilitator? These are

just a few career options you have with a qualification in Coaching.

In this real-time online information session Dr Mark Setch will share insights into studying Coaching at ACAP and how the qualification will give you the practical skills and know-how to inspire change, empower teams, and improve performance.

Find out more and register

Construction, Project Management & Property Experience Day

Organisation: Bond University **Location:** Bond Gold Coast Campus

Date: May 8, 2025

Explore the fast-paced world of urban development, construction, and property at Bond

University's Construction, Project Management & Property Experience Day!

Returning on Thursday, May 8, 2025, this immersive event gives you the opportunity to gain valuable insights into Construction Management, Quantity Surveying, Project Management, Valuation, and Property Development—fields that are shaping Australia's future and unlocking exciting career opportunities.

Throughout the day, you'll hear from industry experts, discover real-world career pathways in our Salary & Career Insights Panel, and be inspired by Bond alumni sharing their journeys. Experience hands-on activities in our Experiential Showcase, engage with our Office of Future Students and Career Development Centre, and explore our world-class campus on a guided tour.

If you're considering a future in the built environment industry, this is your chance to see where your passion can take you.

This free event is open to Year 10, 11, and 12 students, plus one parent per student.

Find out more and register

Criminology Experience Day

Organisation: Bond University **Location:** Bond Gold Coast Campus

Date: May 9, 2025

Step into the world of crime, justice, and criminal behaviour at Bond University's Criminology

Experience Day!

Returning on Friday, May 9, this immersive event gives you the opportunity to explore the field of criminology and criminal justice, uncovering how society responds to crime and the complexities of criminal behaviour.

Meet leading criminology academics, engage in interactive sessions, and discover how a criminology degree can lead to careers in criminal profiling, law enforcement, social work, policy reform, and more. Gain valuable insights into the real-world applications of criminology and how it shapes our justice system.

There's no better way to explore your passion than by experiencing it firsthand. This free event is open to Year 10, 11, and 12 students, plus one parent per student.

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UQ Ready, Gladstone

Organisation: University of Queensland **Location:** Gladstone Events Centre

Date: May 12, 2025

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- Get advice on maximising your ATAR score and preparing for university.
- Understand the QTAC process, from application to offer.
- Hear about our diverse student support services, including mentoring, accommodation, neurodiversity support and more.
- Learn how to enrol and plan your timetable.
- Get tips for successfully transitioning from school to university.
- Hear about UQ's vibrant and inclusive campus culture.

The information will be valuable to any high school student looking to go to any university. Find out more and register

Future Events

Gladstone Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Gladstone Careers Expo

Location: Gladstone Entertainment and Convention Centre

Date: May 13, 2025

This year, the 2025 Gladstone Careers Expo will be coordinated by Communities of Gladstone Supporting Youth Inc (COGSY) and the Rotary Club of South Gladstone.

This important community event provides the perfect platform for students, graduates and jobs seekers wanting to learn more about specific career and education pathways and employment opportunities.

The Gladstone Careers Expo event is held annually and features a wide range of information and trades demonstration stalls. Students are provided an opportunity to speak with trained staff in various fields to get a real understanding about potential further study options, industries and occupations.

Find out more and register

Technology Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online **Date:** May 13, 2025

Join online as our as our Technology academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

Health and Education Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online **Date:** May 13, 2025

Join online as our Health and Education academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

Business and Hospitality Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online **Date:** May 13, 2025

Join online our as our Business and Hospitality academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us apart from other universities.

Find out more and register

Gold Coast Careers Festival 2025

Organisation: Study Gold Coast

Location: Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre

Date: May 14 to May 15, 2025

Your change to meet educators, local employers and training providers under one roof.

- Find out about studying at Griffith University, Bond University, Southern Cross University and TAFE Queensland
- Visit exhibitors from a wide range of institutions to learn more about possible study options
- Speak to Gold Coast employers to hear about opportunities both current and future
- Speak with a Career Advisor about your career direction, job search or bring your resume for review
- Hear directly from current students on stage panels.

Find out more and register

Design and Creative Technology Virtual Open Day

Organisation: Torrens University Australia

Location: Online **Date:** May 14, 2025

Join online as our as our Design and Creative Technology academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, study pathways, our industry partnerships with global brands and what sets us

apart from other universities. Find out more and register

Capricorn MEGA Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: CQUniversity

Location: CQU Rockhampton North Campus

Date: May 15, 2025

CQUniversity is excited to be partnering with Advance Rockhampton, Rockhampton Manufacturing Hub, and Workforce Australia to deliver the Capricorn MEGA Careers Expo in 2025.

The Capricorn MEGA Careers Expo is a free event, offering a unique opportunity for anyone interested in starting, changing, or upgrading their career, and is open to local schools and the general public. Bringing together a wide range of exhibitors including tertiary education institutes, apprenticeship and traineeship providers, resource and civil construction organisations, and an array of local businesses. It's your chance to engage with the future workforce.

Find out more and register

2025 Maranoa Careers and Jobs Expo

Organisation: TAFE Queensland **Location:** TAFE QLD Roma Campus

Date: May 15, 2025

Are you interested in discovering more about training and career pathways? Are you looking for a career change or employment opportunities in your local area?

Come along to the 2025 Maranoa Careers and Jobs Expo and discover a wide range of study, career and employment opportunities that exist in the Maranoa.

The event will include opportunities for:

- Touring your local TAFE Queensland campus and speaking directly to teachers about courses, career pathways and study options
- Checking out hands-on activities and interactive displays, including the TAFE
 Queensland Try-a-Trade trailer. Try your hand at a variety of foundation practical tasks
 including tiling, plastering and painting as well as carpentry, plumbing and augmented
 reality welding
- Talking with local employers and representatives from apprenticeship providers, universities, CUC Maranoa, the Australian Defence Force, local council and more.

You'll also have the chance to meet with prospective employers and gain insight into job openings.

Find out more and register

2025 Emerald Careers Expo

Organisation: CQUniversity **Location:** Emerald Town Hall

Date: May 16, 2025

Join us at the upcoming 2025 Emerald Careers Expo.

This year, CQUniversity, in partnership with other local organisations will host the Emerald Careers Expo. We are excited to host a range of exhibitors including tertiary education institutions, apprenticeship and traineeship providers, local industry, and local businesses. The Emerald Careers Expo will feature a wide range of information on the study and career options. Future students will have the opportunity to speak with trained staff in various fields to discover study options, industries, and occupations.

Find out more and register

Creative Arts Open Day 2025

Organisation: Griffith University **Location:** Griffith South Bank Campus

Date: May 18, 2025

Designed for those thinking of a creative career, Creative Arts Open Day is the best way to discover the variety of degree options from design, visual and creative arts, music and performing arts, film and animation, industrial design and architecture.

Immerse yourself in interactive workshops, demonstrations, studio and campus tours and info sessions, to learn more about your study and career options in the creative and performing arts.

Find out more and register

Year 12 & Beyond – With ADHD

Organisation: Claire Pech Careers

Location: Online

Date: May 21 to May 28, 2025

Hosted by Claire Pech, CICA-Accredited Careers Practitioner, and Amanda Krulis, endorsed Organisational Psychologist.

Targeted to students with ADHD in Year 12, this webinar will share insights and practical solutions for managing this critical year and beyond and making meaningful career decisions. If students cannot make it a recording will be sent to all ticket holders. Although it is interactive, students will remain anonymous on the webinar.

Topics covered:

- Redefining success What is it to YOU?
- Finding and Owning your ADHD strengths
- Discovering what careers are aligned to your strengths
- Understanding the options for tertiary studies based on your interests and strengths
- Exploring the pathway options available and ways to get there using Action Plans
- Early Entry Considerations
- Quick guide to Educational Access Schemes (EAS) and adjustment points
- What is Procrastination and how to tackle it?
- · How to deal with stress and staying calm
- How to use technology to your advantage with ADHD
- Q&A

Webinar dates

Wednesday 21 May, 7.00pm - 8:30pm AEST Thursday 29 May, 7.00pm - 8:30pm AEST Find out more and register

Psychology Experience Day

Organisation: Bond University **Location:** Bond Gold Coast Campus

Date: May 22, 2025

Unlock the mysteries of the mind at Bond University's Psychology Experience Day!

Returning on Thursday, May 22, this immersive event offers you the chance to explore the fascinating world of psychology and discover what it's like to study in one of Australia's leading psychology programs.

Engage in hands-on activities that delve into human behavior, social interactions, and the connection between psychology and technology. Connect with expert academics who are leading psychologists, learn about Bond's APAC-accredited programs, and explore pathways to further study, including guaranteed entry into fourth-year psychology at the Bond University School of Psychology.

There's no better way to ignite your passion than by experiencing it firsthand. This free event is open to Year 10, 11, and 12 students, plus one parent per student.

Find out more and register

Communications Experience Day

Organisation: Bond University **Location:** Bond Gold Coast Campus

Date: May 23, 2025

Step into the dynamic world of media, marketing, public relations, and digital storytelling at

Bond University's Communications Experience Day!

Join us on Friday, May 23, 2025, for an immersive day where you'll explore the future of jobs in communications, gain insider knowledge from journalism and PR professionals, and dive into the exciting realms of advertising, interactive media, and podcasting.

Get hands-on with interactive activities, hear from industry experts about the evolving communications and media landscape, and discover how Bond's cutting-edge programs can prepare you for a career in this fast-moving industry. Whether you're passionate about crafting compelling stories, shaping public opinion, or creating engaging brand and marketing content, this event is your opportunity to experience it all first-hand.

This free event is open to Year 10, 11, and 12 students, plus one parent per student. Find out more and register

Tourism Insights Gold Coast 2025

Organisation: The Hotel School Australia

Location: Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort Gold Coast

Date: May 24, 2025

An exclusive event for Year 12 students to explore Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort Gold Coast, a leading tourism venue, to discover exciting career opportunities in the tourism industry. This immersive experience includes a behind-the-scenes tour, an interactive tourism workshop with a completion certificate, and insights from industry experts. You'll also have the chance to network with industry leaders, connect with current THS students, and get your questions answered by the THS team. Plus, enjoy a complimentary morning tea and lunch while engaging with like-minded peers.

Find out more and register

Heroes in Health, Cairns

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: Cairns

Date: May 27 to May 28, 2025

Get a sneak peek of what it's really like to be in a healthcare career at Heroes in Health. This two-day program is a joint collaboration between JCU and the Cairns Hospital that offers a unique opportunity to explore Medical, Nursing and Allied Health careers.

You'll go behind the scenes at the Cairns Hospital, with opportunities to speak directly with health professionals including doctors, nurses, occupational therapists, physiotherapists and pharmacists about their profession in the healthcare industry and their career journeys so far. If you're in Year 11 or 12 you can apply to be a part of Heroes in Health.

To help with your career goals, JCU Advisors will also be on hand to provide information about courses and university life.

Applications close 30 April 2025.

Find out more and register

BiG Day In, Brisbane

Organisation: ACS Foundation **Location:** UQ St Lucia Campus

Date: June 3, 2025

Join us for the 2025 BiG Day In at UQ to learn where a STEM career can take you. Hear from presenters from organisations including Technology One, Westpac, Wisetech Global, Defence

Force Careers, Gameloft & more.

Find out more and register

2025 Fraser Coast Industry and Careers Showcase

Organisation: Jobs Fraser Coast

Location: Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park

Date: June 4, 2025

The Fraser Coast Industry & Careers Showcase isn't just any jobs expo – it's a one-stop employment shop connecting employers and trainers with the jobseekers of today and the workforce of tomorrow.

Participating employers come from diverse sectors including trades and manufacturing, health and aged care, timber and agriculture, defence and emergency services, hospitality, education and more.

The showcase is for everyone, whether you're trying to map out your future, find your first job, change careers, or downshift towards retirement.

Find out more and register

2025 Moranbah Careers Expo

Organisation: CQUniversity

Location: Moranbah State High School

Date: June 5, 2025

Moranbah Careers Expo offers the chance for attendees to gain insight into how studying can kickstart or advance their careers and is open to local schools and the general public.

Find out more and register

Destination Doctor

Organisation: CQUniversity

Location: CQU Bundaberg, Emerald, Gladstone & Rockhampton Campuses

Date: June 6 to June 18, 2025

For Year 10 students with a strong interest in medicine, explore a career in rural health with the Regional Medical Pathway through a series of immersive clinical skills sessions, guided by experienced academic, clinical and health professionals.

Destination Doctor offers you an exclusive opportunity for hands-on clinical workshops, such as blood typing, suturing, patient simulations, and vital signs assessment. Gain invaluable insights into the Regional Medical Pathway program directly from medical staff and current students.

Highlights:

- Engage in interactive workshops
- Connect with health professionals and current students to expand your understanding of the medical field.
- Learn about the application process and explore potential pathways.
- Receive a Certificate of Completion from the Regional Medical Pathway, enhancing your QTAC application.

Applications open in May 2025. For more information please contact Carrie Smith.

Emerald: Friday, 6 June, CQUniversity Emerald Campus

Bundaberg: Tuesday, 10 June, CQUniversity Bundaberg Campus **Gladstone**: Tuesday, 17 June, CQUniversity Gladstone Campus

Rockhampton: Wednesday, 18 June, CQUniversity Rockhampton Campus

Find out more and register

Health Experience Day

Organisation: Bond University **Location:** Bond Gold Coast Campus

Date: June 7, 2025

Discover what it's like to manage the care of real patients from start to finish through Bond's Health Experience Day. This free event is your opportunity to consult with clinical doctors, physiotherapists, dietitians, occupational therapists, biomedical and exercise scientists, and other allied health professionals, to gain a deeper understanding of the different career options available in the health sciences.

You will take on the fictional role of healthcare advisor, working with patients to consolidate all their primary and allied health practitioner's assessments, and will provide the next steps going forward in the management of these patients. Working with the health team and individual patients, you'll determine the optimal courses of treatment for the best outcome. Find out more and register

Online Campus Day

Organisation: Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Location: Online **Date:** June 7, 2025

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation, film and visual effects at the AIE Online Campus Day. AIE will be running this event for students interested in studying online. You will be able to meet our teachers, explore how classes will run, course options, career pathways and see our amazing student work.

We will be covering everything you need to know about the:

- careers in games and VFX that we train students for;
- studios and industries that we work with;
- courses we offer from beginners to professional mastery, and;
- the software, skills and knowledge we teach.

Find out more and register

Bundaberg Year 10 Career Experience

Organisation: CQUniversity

Location: CQU Bundaberg Campus

Date: June 11, 2025

The Year 10 Career Experience is a widening participation activity that is a free, one day oncampus event that gives Year 10 students from partnered Connect schools the opportunity to explore their interests, discover a wide range of careers, and learn about the various pathways available for them to achieve their study and work goals, including higher education degrees and TAFE courses.

- **Discover Career Pathways:** Explore a diverse range of career options and understand the steps required to achieve your goals.
- **Engage with Experts:** Interact with industry professionals who can provide real-world insights and advice through engaging workshops.
- **Build Confidence:** Learn about flexible and alternative pathways to succeed, no matter the circumstances.

All students must be accompanied by a school representative.

Find out more and register

Brisbane Careers & Employment Expo 2025

Organisation: Kym Jones Exhibitions

Location: Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

Date: June 12 to June 14, 2025

Queensland's largest Careers & Employment Event is open on June 12 to 14, 2025 at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre. The Expo will host over 160 organisations and employers with career opportunities for all ages. Entry is free.

The event is for school students, parents, teachers, graduates, job seekers, people looking for courses and workers seeking new training options.

Find out more and register

2025 WorldSkills Australia National Championships and Skills Show

Organisation: WorldSkills Australia

Location: Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

Date: June 12 to June 14, 2025

The National Championships is Australia's biggest vocational education and excellence competition. Over three days at Skills Show Australia, selected Regional competitors are flown from around the country to showcase and benchmark their skills on the national stage competing against their industry peers from around the country.

When you attend a WorldSkills Australia National Championship, you're not just witnessing some of Australia's best trades and skills talent show off their talent - you'll also:

- Try out a number of skills and trades at our Try a Skill booths
- Learn just how many career pathways are available to you via the vocational education and training
- Witness the best trainees and apprentices in Australia compete for gold
- Talk to the employers, training organisations and skills organisations who build opportunities in trades and skills
- Hear from industry leaders and WorldSkills success stories
- Get the information you need to make informed decisions about your education and career

Find out more and register

Townsville Legal Studies Conference 2025

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: JCU Bebegu Yumba (Townsville) Campus

Date: June 12, 2025

JCU is proud to present our upcoming Legal Studies Conference.

This year's theme will focus on 'Human Rights: Legal Perspectives' and will cover a range of

topics that are highly relevant to the QCAA Legal Studies Syllabus.

The conference will delve into legal concepts, principles and contemporary issues with the focus of the intersection with Human Rights. Guest presenter topics across the two conferences will include the Judiciary, Criminal Law, International Law, First Nations Right to Self Determination and more. The conference will also feature a Panel Discussion on Youth Justice, focussed on the Human Rights aspects to youth detention and the age of criminal responsibility.

Attendance at this conference is now open to all students grades 9 -12, regardless of whether they are studying legal studies. All students are welcome to participate and benefit from this valuable learning experience.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Mackay

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: JCU Ngudya Yamba (Mackay) Campus

Date: June 14, 2025

Join us at JCU Mackay Open Day this June and get ready to have all your questions about studying at university answered in the one place!

You will be able explore our facilities, attend presentations and chat with future student advisors about study opportunities available at JCU Mackay including Pharmacy and Nursing,

along with other exciting courses on offer at JCU.

Find out more and register

Cairns Legal Studies Conference 2025

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: JCU Nguma-bada (Smithfield) Campus

Date: June 19, 2025

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Find out more and register

It Takes a Spark STEM Conference, Brisbane

Organisation: Intuyu Consulting Pty Ltd **Location:** Islamic College of Brisbane

Date: June 20, 2025

Most conferences currently being offered on STEM, STEAM and Entrepreneurship tend to be targeted towards teachers and involve a series of speakers and the occasional mini-workshops. This conference is designed to be different. This conference is designed by students and teachers for students and teachers.

The intent of the It Takes a Spark STEM Conference is to bring together Students (Year 4 to 10) and Teachers to connect with inspiring industry role models, share their current school based

activities and projects using an authentic sharing and experiential model, create networks of teachers and student teams, and solve social justice design challenges.

The participation of the students is as important as teachers as our intent is to ignite, empower and nurture both to be leaders of STEM and Entrepreneurship within their schools. This is a conference designed and led by students and teachers for students and teachers.

Teachers will have both formal and informal opportunities to speak to other teachers who have enacted programs and activities in their schools and get their questions answered.

The Digi-Design workshops and Problem Solver design challenges are all hands-on so students and teachers will experience first-hand what it is like to be part of great STEM and entrepreneurial learning. This will spark new ideas about curriculum and pedagogy.

Find out more and register

Brisbane Open Campus 2025

Organisation: The Hotel School

Location: The Hotel School Brisbane Campus

Date: June 21, 2025

Join us for an inspiring day at The Hotel School Australia's Open Campus, where you'll experience student life first hand through an exclusive Masterclass, hear from a special industry guest speaker, meet our academic and support teams, explore course options, and discover career pathways with our Professional Learning team. You'll also have the chance to connect with current students and fellow attendees - all while enjoying light refreshments. Whether you're a high school student, considering a transfer, or exploring new opportunities, this event is the perfect way to take the next step.

Find out more and register

Cairns University Experience

Organisation: CQUniversity **Location:** CQUni Cairns Campus

Date: June 24, 2025

University Experience is a free, one day on-campus event that gives Year 12 students the opportunity to explore their post-high school options, including higher education degrees and

TAFE courses. It offers a glimpse into a day in the life of a CQUniversity student.

Find out more and register

Rockhampton Year 10 Career Experience

Organisation: CQUniversity

Location: CQU Rockhampton North Campus

Date: June 24, 2025

The Year 10 Career Experience is a widening participation activity that is a free, one day oncampus event that gives Year 10 students from partnered Connect schools the opportunity to explore their interests, discover a wide range of careers, and learn about the various pathways available for them to achieve their study and work goals, including higher education degrees and TAFE courses.

- **Discover Career Pathways:** Explore a diverse range of career options and understand the steps required to achieve your goals.
- **Engage with Experts:** Interact with industry professionals who can provide real-world insights and advice through engaging workshops.
- **Build Confidence:** Learn about flexible and alternative pathways to succeed, no matter the circumstances.

All students must be accompanied by a school representative.

Find out more and register

Heroes in Health, Mount Isa

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: Mount Isa

Date: June 24 to June 25, 2025

Get a sneak peek of what it's really like to be in a healthcare career at Heroes in Health. This two-day program is a joint collaboration between JCU and North West Hospital and Health Service that offers a unique opportunity to explore Medical, Nursing and Allied Health careers. You'll go behind the scenes at the Mt Isa Hospital, with opportunities to speak directly with health professionals including doctors, nurses, occupational therapists, physiotherapists and pharmacists about their profession in the healthcare industry and their career journeys so far. If you're in Year 11 or 12 you can apply to be a part of Heroes in Health.

To help with your career goals, JCU Advisors will also be on hand to provide information about courses and university life.

Find out more and register

Cairns Year 10 Career Experience

Organisation: CQUniversity **Location:** CQU Cairns Campus

Date: June 25, 2025

The Year 10 Career Experience is a widening participation activity that is a free, one day oncampus event that gives Year 10 students from partnered Connect schools the opportunity to explore their interests, discover a wide range of careers, and learn about the various pathways available for them to achieve their study and work goals, including higher education degrees and TAFE courses.

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Find out more and register

Mini-Spark STEM Conference, Brisbane

Organisation: Intuyu Consulting Pty Ltd

Location: Grace Lutheran College, Rothwell Campus

Date: June 25, 2025

Most conferences currently being offered on STEM, STEAM and Entrepreneurship tend to be targeted towards teachers and involve a series of speakers and the occasional mini-workshops. This conference is designed to be different. This conference is designed by students and teachers for students and teachers.

The intent of the It Takes a Spark STEM Conference is to bring together Students (Year 4 to 10) and Teachers to connect with inspiring industry role models, share their current school based activities and projects using an authentic sharing and experiential model, create networks of teachers and student teams, and solve social justice design challenges.

The theme of the Mini-Spark conference will highlight how STEAM is dynamic and fun and empowers and develops people to dream and shape the future.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Mt Isa

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: JCU Murtupuni (Mt Isa) Campus

Date: June 26, 2025

Ready to find your future? Join us at JCU Mount Isa Open Day this June and get ready to have all

your questions about studying at university answered in the one place!

You will be able explore our campus, attend presentations and chat with future student advisors about study opportunities available at JCU Mount Isa including our Bachelor of Nursing Science degree, along with other exciting courses on offer at JCU.

Find out more and register

Indigenous Winter School

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: JCU Bebegu Yumba (Townsville) Campus

Date: June 29 to July 4, 2025

Are you in 10, 11 or 12 and interested in exploring the university life?

Then JCU's residential preparatory program for high school students is the program for you! This is the perfect opportunity for you to embrace the uni life and gain skills for success.

The program is run over a five-day period during the school holidays. You will live on campus and take part in academic lectures and team-building activities, meet university staff and students, and form bonds with other students in the program.

JCU covers all costs associated with the program, including travel to and from Townsville, accommodation, and catering costs for all participants. Accommodation is at the Saints Residential College on the Bebegu Yumba campus where students will be fully supervised at all times

Applications close Wednesday 30 April 2025.

Find out more and register

InspireU Health Science Camp

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus **Date:** June 30 to July 5, 2025

Immerse yourself in a week-long university experience to learn about health sciences. Year 11–12 students will get to explore potential study options and gain practical insights into a range of disciplines.

- Participate in a week-long on-campus residential camp
- Attend engaging sessions to further understand health science
- Take part in practical, hands-on experiences
- Explore UQ facilities and services
- Connect with current Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander university students
- · Meet fellow high school students.

You're eligible if you:

- are of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- are enrolled in high school at the time of application
- are enrolled in ATAR subjects and eligible for an ATAR score
- have a school attendance rate of 90% or greater.

There are no costs for students. All reasonable costs for the camp, including all travel, flights, accommodation, meals and excursions are paid for by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit (ATSISU).

Applications close 16th May 2025.

Find out more and register

Year 11 Queensland Biology Winter School

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus **Date:** June 30 to July 1, 2025

The UQ Year 11 Queensland Biology Winter School (11QBWS) explores contemporary biology topics, including biodiversity, cell, animal, and plant physiology, biophysics, and how diverse biological disciplines are interconnected.

What's involved:

- Live and breathe biology when you explore contemporary topics aligned with the QCE and IB Biology syllabuses through interactive lectures, practicals, and tutorials.
- Gain scientific skills in literacy, communication and the analysis of biological data (valuable for the QCE Internal Assessment 3 skills: Research Investigation and IB Extended Essay).
- Study with biologists who are passionate about their subject and eager to share their knowledge and enthusiasm – from leading researchers and teaching specialists to current students.
- Consolidate your learning with guizzes at the end of both days.
- Make friends with students from around the country and discover how much fun it is to be around people who love biology.

Interstate and international applicants are welcome.

Complete and submit the online application form by Thursday 1 May 2025.

Find out more and register

InspireU Year 12 Camp

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus **Date:** June 30 to July 5, 2025

Immerse yourself in a week-long residential camp to learn more about preparing for university at The University of Queensland's (UQ) St Lucia campus. You'll explore different study options plus learn about applying through QTAC, scholarships, financial assistance, admissions pathways, tutoring and accommodation.

- Participate in a week-long on-campus residential camp
- Attend engaging sessions to understand a range of disciplines
- Take part in practical, hands-on experiences
- Explore UQ facilities and services
- Connect with current Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander university students
- Meet fellow high school students.

You're eligible if you:

- are of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- are enrolled in high school at the time of application
- are enrolled in ATAR subjects and eligible for an ATAR score
- have a school attendance rate of 90% or greater.

There are no costs for students. All reasonable costs for the camp, including all travel, flights, accommodation, meals and excursions, are paid for by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit (ATSISU).

Applications close 16th May 2025

Find out more and register

Heroes in Science, Cairns

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: Cairns

Date: July 1 to July 2, 2025

JCU is giving high school students with a passion and desire to develop a career in science the chance to learn from industry experts and experience how scientific knowledge can improve the quality of life at many different levels.

Learn from industry experts and discover how scientific knowledge enhances life at many levels. This two-day program offers insights into a science career, from JCU's scientific labs to an overnight rainforest experience at the Daintree Rainforest Observatory. Explore the world's oldest rainforest via our canopy crane, and learn how science shapes decisions on conservation, climate change, urban growth, and more.

If you're in Year 11 or 12 and based within the North Queensland region, you can apply to be a part of the Heroes in Science program. Travel scholarships are available to successful applicants that meet criteria.

Find out more and register

Year 11 Queensland Chemistry Winter School

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus **Date:** July 3 to July 4, 2025

UQ's Year 11 Queensland Chemistry Winter School will provide you with a deep dive into the concept of equilibrium across topics such as oxidation-reduction and acids and cases.

- Think and practice chemistry: explore and solve challenges in contemporary topics
 including atomic structure, redox, acid and bases, buffers, electrophoresis and
 analytical chemistry (chromatography, mass spectrometry and infrared
 spectroscopy). Topics align with subject matter in the QCE and IB Chemistry
 syllabuses.
- Take part in interactive workshops, practicals and lectures.
- Gain scientific skills in literacy, communication and analysis of chemical data (valuable skills for QCE Internal Assessment 3: Research Investigation and IB Extended Essay).
- Study with chemists who are passionate about their subject and eager to share their knowledge and enthusiasm from leading researchers to teaching specialists and current students at the start of their research careers.
- Make friends with other students from around the state and discover how much fun it is to be around people who love chemistry.

Complete and submit the online application form by Thursday 1 May 2025.

Find out more and register

Year 12 Queensland Biology Winter School

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus **Date:** July 7 to July 8, 2025

The UQ Year 12 Queensland Biology Winter School (12QBWS) explores contemporary topics in genetics, phylogenetics, evolutionary biology, biochemistry, and how many biological disciplines are interconnected.

The school runs when most Year 12s are completing Unit 4 (Genetics), but where possible, reference and revision to Unit 3 (Ecology) will be covered.

What's involved:

- Live and breathe biology when you explore contemporary topics aligned with the QCE and IB Biology syllabuses through interactive lectures, practicals, and tutorials.
- Gain scientific skills in literacy, communication and the analysis of biological data (valuable for the QCE Internal Assessment 3 skills: Research Investigation and IB Extended Essay).

- Study with biologists who are passionate about their subject and eager to share their knowledge and enthusiasm – from leading researchers and teaching specialists to current students.
- Consolidate your learning with quizzes at the end of both days.
- Make friends with students from around the state and discover how much fun it is to be around people who love biology.

Interstate and international applicants are welcome.

Complete and submit the online application form by Thursday 1 May 2025.

Find out more and register

Shakespeare's Macbeth: UQ Centre for Western Civilisation 2025 Winter School

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus **Date:** July 7 to July 9, 2025

Join us for a unique experience that will help you understand one of Shakespeare's greatest works. You'll find Macbeth has continued relevance for our lives today.

What's involved:

- Take part in acting workshops with the Queensland Shakespeare Ensemble.
- Visit UQ's Fryer Library to examine Shakespeare's sources.
- Enjoy a Macbeth-inspired film night and an evening performance of Express Macbeth.
- Work with UQ experts to understand the relationship between stage and page.
- Explore Macbeth's many underlying topics and influences, through both discussion and acting.
- Discover how Macbeth has influenced popular culture and performance.

Open to high school students in Year 11 and Year 12.

Applications are open until Sunday 4 May 2025.

Find out more and register

Outward Bound Leadership Program

Organisation: Outward Bound

Location: Tharwa, ACT **Date:** July 7 to July 11, 2025

A chance for young adults ages 16 to 24 years to discover their leadership skills and strengths.

Meet like-minded connections and add a highlight experience to your resume.

By using the outdoors as your teacher, the Outward Bound Leadership program will lead you through the Australian bush on a journey of self-improvement. Develop your abilities as a leader and strengthen trusted skills on how to best apply yourself in all your future endeavours. You'll find you're much more capable than what you thought.

Your group will need to work together while organising camp, cooking on fires, navigating through the wilderness, and summiting peaks. The individual challenges such as high ropes and abseil are supported by your two Outward Bound facilitators, who will expertly explore and discuss how to apply these experiences to your life back home.

Outward Bound Leadership can be attended to complete the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award: Gold Residential Project.

Find out more and register

InspireU Kickstart

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus

Date: July 9, 2025

An opportunity for students in Years 7–9 who live in South-East Queensland to attend The University of Queensland's (UQ) St Lucia campus for a one-day program of fun-packed, handson activities.

Start building your knowledge of what is available at UQ while establishing relationships with staff and other students and getting to know the campus.

You're eligible if you:

- are of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- are enrolled in high school at the time of application
- have a school attendance rate of 90% or greater.

You will:

- attend engaging sessions to understand a range of disciplines
- take part in practical, hands-on experiences
- explore UQ facilities and services
- connect with current Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander university students
- meet fellow high school students.

There are no costs for students. All reasonable costs for the program, including all travel, flights, accommodation, meals and excursions, are paid for by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit (ATSISU).

Applications close 13th June 2025.

Find out more and register

2025 Tahgara Program

Organisation: University of Sydney

Location: Sydney Camperdown Campus

Date: July 14 to July 18, 2025

The Tahgara Program is an intensive week-long residential program at the University of Sydney, designed to prepare Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Year 12 students for their final exams and equip them for their journey into higher education.

Students attend workshops presented by exam markers, expert tutors, faculty academics, and university staff and students. Designed to build educational capacity and motivation, students participating in the Tahgara Program will experience an individually tailored program, guiding them through scholarship applications, university pathways, exam preparation, as well as receiving one-on-one subject specific tutoring.

There is no cost for the schools or families of students who participate in the Tahgara Program. The University of Sydney will pay for travel, meals, accommodation and all other expenses associated with the program.

This program is open to all Year 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from across Australia.

The application deadline is Thursday 8th of May 2025.

Find out more and register

Toowoomba Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: CareersEvent.com

Location: Royal Toowoomba Showgrounds

Date: July 16, 2025

The 2025 Toowoomba Careers Expo is a must for anyone interested in starting, changing or upgrading their career including – high school students and their parents, mature age and post graduate students, career seekers of ALL ages, employers looking for staff training and others.

- Access the latest careers, course study and employment options.
- Advice on enrollment procedures.
- Talk to local and national employers.

- Opportunity to talk to admissions staff.
- Meet with interstate and overseas exhibitors.
- Info on bursaries, scholarship and application procedures.
- Compare courses from different providers
- Students services, GAP and exchange programs

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Townsville

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: JCU Bebegu Yumba (Townsville) Campus

Date: July 18 to July 19, 2025

Join us for JCU Open Day and experience life on-campus for yourself! Check out the hands-on study facilities, meet your future lecturers and sample our North Queensland lifestyle. Chat with JCU Advisors about our top tips for moving from high school to university, explore your career change options and find the study pathway that suits you.

On July 18, high schools are invited to bring their Year 10 and 11 students along to an exclusive Open Day event. Open Day for Schools is tailored to help students with senior subject selection and post-school decision making through exploration of study and career opportunities.

Find out more and register

Brisbane Tertiary Studies and Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: CareersEvent.com Location: Brisbane Showgrounds Date: July 19 to July 20, 2025

The Brisbane Careers Expo (TSXPO) is Queensland's largest and longest-running career fair, connecting students, graduates, and job seekers with top universities, training institutions, and employers. Whether you're exploring tertiary studies, looking for employment opportunities, or seeking career advice, this careers event is your gateway to success.

The Brisbane Careers Expo is your ultimate gateway to:

- Latest Career Opportunities: Connect with 100+ employers, universities, and training providers.
- Tertiary Studies Expo: Compare courses, scholarships, and pathways with leading institutions.
- Expert Guidance: Attend seminars on career paths and emerging industries.
- Real Student Insights: Chat with current undergraduates about courses, workloads, and campus life.

Find out more and register

2025 NYSF National Youth STEM Summit

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum

Location: Melbourne

Date: July 19 to July 21, 2025

Returning in 2025, the National Youth STEM Summit is an exclusive three-day conference-style event specifically designed to help you smash your study goals and secure your dream job.

The program boasts a diverse range of sessions, including:

- Keynote presentations from some of Australia's foremost STEM leaders
- Panel discussions exploring a range of topics, disciplines, and study and career pathways
- Workshops that offer practical strategies to help you thrive in your studies and/or career
- Networking opportunities to connect with like-minded peers and key government, industry and academic professionals

This Summit is aimed at young people between 18-25 who have completed high school and are making decisions about their futures in STEM.

Registrations will open in mid-April, and equity pricing is available for individuals who are full-time students, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders, from rural or remote regions, have a disability, or are experiencing financial hardship.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Moreton Bay

Organisation: University of the Sunshine Coast

Location: UniSC Moreton Bay Campus

Date: July 20, 2025

UniSC Open Day is all about welcoming community and future students on to campus to check out UniSC's program offerings, meet staff and explore UniSC's world class teaching and

learning facilities.

Find out more and register

Sunshine Coast Careers Expo 2025

Organisation: Careers Event.com **Location:** Caloundra Indoor Stadium

Date: July 22, 2025

The 2025 Sunshine Coast Careers Expo is a must for anyone interested in starting, changing or upgrading their career, including high school students and their parents, mature age and post graduate students, career seekers of all ages, employers looking for staff training, and others.

This annual event offers a wealth of information for visitors, including:

- Access the latest careers, course study and employment options.
- Advice on enrollment procedures.
- Talk to local and national employers.
- Opportunity to talk to admissions staff.
- Meet with interstate and overseas exhibitors.
- Info on bursaries, scholarship and application procedures.
- Compare courses from different providers.
- Students services, GAP and exchange programs.

Find out more and register

World Religions Experience Day 2025

Organisation: University of Queensland

Location: UQ St Lucia Campus **Date:** July 23 to July 24, 2025

Explore how major world religions have had, and continue to have, profound impacts on societies around the globe.

- Experience a day at the St Lucia campus of UQ
- Hear from world-leading scholars in the study of religion
- · Learn about specific religions and the place of religion in the contemporary world
- Take part in sessions on topics such as Islam and Society, Science and Religion Conflict, Hinduism: Sacred Texts, and The Ethics and Reception of Job.

Open to year 11 students who are currently studying religion at school or who have a keen interest in arts and humanities and their teachers.

Find out more and register

Open Day Online Chat Session July

Organisation: CQUniversity

Location: Online **Date:** July 24, 2025

We see you planning your next study move, and we know there's a lot to consider, so we're here to help. Whether you are considering starting a TAFE or university qualification at CQU, our team are here to answer your questions.

Chat with our staff about your course of interest, pathways to university, student support services, or anything else you'd like to know about studying with CQUniversity.

All you need to do is head over to our Facebook page and send us a message during the session and you'll receive real-time answers to all your questions.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Cairns

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: JCU Nguma-bada (Cairns) Campus

Date: July 25, 2025

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Open Day 2025

Organisation: Bond University Location: Bond Gold Coast Campus

Date: July 26, 2025

Open Day is the perfect way to learn more about everything a university has to offer – whether that's done through meeting students and academics, roaming our beautiful campus, or even

testing out our facilities. Find out more and register

QPS Open Day, Brisbane

Organisation: Queensland Police Service

Location: Bob Atkinson Operational Capabilities Centre

Date: July 26, 2025

Are you looking for a challenging and rewarding career? Join us on July 26, at our QPS Open Day to learn all about a career with the Queensland Police Service.

Take this rare opportunity to check out our state-of-the-art training facilities and chat with our specialist units like the Dog Squad, Road Policing Command, Dive Squad, Mounted Unit, Stock Squad, PolAir and many many more.

Policing can be a lifelong career with many different pathways, so take your time touring our training facility, driver training track and firearms range, and drop in to an information session throughout the day where you can ask questions about your future career.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025

Organisation: Queensland University of Technology **Location:** QUT Gardens Point & Kelvin Grove Campuses

Date: July 27, 2025

Discover the real QUT — with behind-the-scenes tours, study area advice, talks with students and academics, and the chance to explore campus life and opportunities outside the classroom.

Find out more and register

Heroes in Health, Rockhampton

Organisation: James Cook University

Location: Rockhampton **Date:** July 29 to July 30, 2025

Get a sneak peek of what it's really like to be in a healthcare career at Heroes in Health. This two-day program is a joint collaboration between JCU and the Mater Hospital that offers a unique opportunity to explore Medical, Nursing and Allied Health careers.

You'll go behind the scenes at the Mater Hospital, with opportunities to speak directly with health professionals including doctors, nurses, occupational therapists, physiotherapists and pharmacists about their profession in the healthcare industry and their career journeys so far. If you're in Year 11 or 12 you can apply to be a part of Heroes in Health.

To help with your career goals, JCU Advisors will also be on hand to provide information about courses and university life.

Find out more and register

Open Day 2025, Mackay

Organisation: CQUniversity

Location: CQUni Mackay Ooralea Campus

Date: July 31, 2025

Join us for the CQU Mackay Open Day. It's a great way to explore the campus, check out facilities and hear all about available courses direct from our friendly teaching staff. You'll also be able to discuss scholarships, pathways, student support services and more.

With our wide range of TAFE and university courses offered online and on campus we can help find the best study option for you. So come along and get a taste of what CQUniversity has to offer.

Find out more and register

2026 National Youth Science Forum Year 12 Program

Organisation: National Youth Science Forum

Location: ANU Acton Campus & UQ St Lucia Campus

Date: January 6 to January 21, 2026

Are you in Year 11 in 2025? Apply now to join us in January!

The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) Year 12 Program gives students that are about to start Year 12 a broader understanding of study and career options available in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

Staying on campus at university colleges, students are immersed in science and technology. Participants:

- participate in tours of science and technology facilities,
- learn about cutting-edge research,
- · engage with industry partners and research providers,
- learn about university, training and STEM career pathways,
- mix with like-minded students their age from all over Australia,
- participate in social and team building activities, and
- network with former NYSF participants.

In January 2026, the NYSF Year 12 Program will run two summer sessions at:

- The Australian National University, Canberra (6 –14 January 2026)
- The University of Queensland, Brisbane (13 21 January 2026)

As part of the application process, any students experiencing financial hardship or another disadvantage that negatively impacts their ability to attend the program may apply for an NYSF Access and Equity Scholarship.

We also encourage students to seek financial support from NYSF's founding partner, Rotary. Many Rotary Clubs are familiar with the NYSF and able to offer some level of funding or assist students to fundraise to attend. You can use the Rotary Club Finder to search for your local Club

Applications close 20 June 2025. You will be advised of the outcome of your application by mid-August.

Find out more and register

Scholarships

Redkite Dare to Dream Scholarship

Organisation: Redkite Location: Australia Value: Up to \$5,000 AUD Open Date: April 1, 2025 Close Date: May 19, 2025

Find out more

Competitions

Future of Our Regions Youth Design Challenge

Organisation: Young Change Agents

Location: Australia **Value:** See details

Open Date: February 4, 2025 Close Date: June 30, 2025

Find out more

Weekly Posts

Skills for Work

How social media can affect your work life

Let's face it, most of us love social media. And even if you don't love it, you probably use it. It can be a great way of keeping in touch with friends and family, finding news and events, or even just entertaining ourselves. But as social media becomes even more a part of our lives and identity, there's something else we need to consider - does it affect our work life? Let's find out.

How employers use social media

According to a research from Zippia in 2023, 67% of organisations use social media to research potential employees - so when you apply for a job, there's a high chance the person deciding whether or not to hire you will see what you've been posting.

And that's not all. What you post on the internet could potentially be seen by anyone, whether it's employers, co-workers, or customers. With more and more organisations introducing social media policies that staff need to follow, there could be serious consequences to what you post.

But don't start stressing yet - we're here to explain the dos and don'ts of social media so you can maintain a good reputation online while still enjoying the benefits on offer.

What counts as social media?

What can be defined as "social media" is actually quite broad, and includes more sites than you'd think.

It's not just Facebook and Instagram - in fact, almost any online platform where content can be shared could be considered social media. Some common examples include:

- Social networking platforms (Facebook, Twitter, WEChat, WhatsApp, etc.)
- Professional networking platforms (LinkedIn, etc.)
- Discussion forums (Reddit, Whirlpool, etc.)
- Media sharing platforms (YouTube, TikTok, Flickr, Instagram, Pinterest, etc.)
- Content production and blogs (Tumblr, WordPress, etc.)
- Wikis (Wikipedia, wiki.gg, etc.)
- Gaming platforms and environments (online games, Discord, Steam, etc.)

While many of these sites and platforms allow you to post under a username or anonymously, it's likely that it can still be tracked back to you in some way.

Take this as a general rule of thumb: if you're putting something on the internet, always think twice before you hit post.

What's good social media conduct?

While rules and policies can vary, there are some basics most people tend to follow. Even if the place you work or study has no specific social media policy, these are some good guidelines to follow to make sure your online presence doesn't cause any conflict.

Appropriate behaviour

This one's fairly obvious: make sure you behave appropriately online. There are real people behind the screens, so treat people online like you would treat them in person. And maybe think twice before letting your mate post those embarrassing photos.

Other things that could get you in hot water include:

- Cyberbullying and harassing others online
- Posting obscene or offensive things
- Spreading information that is false, misleading, or deceptive

Can I post about my job?

Be extremely careful if you make any sort of post or reference about your job (even if it's to say something nice).

If you're posting a photo or video wearing a company uniform or on work premises, make sure this is OK according to your workplace's policy.

And if you're unhappy with something that's happened with work, don't vent about it online; we know it can be tempting to badmouth your annoying colleague or a frustrating customer experience, but this can get you in a lot of trouble. Your workplace should have an appropriate channel you can take these concerns, like talking to your manager.

There are even some cases where posting about your job on personal social media sites is not allowed at all - you'll see more about this below.

Can I post about my school?

Remember, policies and rules surrounding social media aren't just for workers to follow. Universities, schools, and other education providers usually also have rules about what you post that might be associated with them as well. Your behaviour online could potentially lead to some serious consequences, like having your enrollment cancelled.

If you'd like to take a look at an example, here's <u>Bond University's Social Media Policy</u> - it applies to both staff and students at Bond.

Social media: Are there profession-specific rules?

As well as the general rules above, specific professions also have rules employees must follow in regards to social media. We're going to cover some common ones, but even if your dream job doesn't appear below, you might want to do some extra research just in case.

Healthcare professionals

This includes almost everyone working in health, including doctors, nurses, midwives, carers, support workers, administrative staff, and more.

One of the big things to consider as a healthcare professional is privacy and patient confidentiality. You need to be really careful not to post any identifying details about one of your patients. An example includes uploading pictures that might have things in the background, like scans and reports, that could potentially contain confidential information.

As a healthcare worker, your views and opinions on some matters can also be influential. Be careful when expressing opinions about social issues online. Maintaining appropriate boundaries and relationships with patients online is very important too.

You can see the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency's guide to social media for healthcare professionals here.

Police officers

As a police officer, your reputation (as well as the reputation of the force as a whole) is taken extremely seriously. So it's not surprising that they have some pretty strict rules when it comes to social media.

Common things include not sharing confidential information (such as information about ongoing investigations), making comments about the police force or government, and even posting pictures of yourself in uniform on private social media.

If you want to dive a bit deeper, take a look at QLD Police's social media policy here.

Defence Force

Similar to the police, the Defence Force also has clear and enforceable guidelines when it comes to personnel posting information on social media. Again, it's mostly concerned with protecting confidential information and upholding the reputation of the Defence Force. An interesting thing to keep in mind is that these rules apply to young people as well, whether you're participating in a Cadet program or Defence Work Experience.

Read the ADF's policy on social media use here.

Teachers

Teachers need to be careful when posting on social media, particularly around matters relating to students. They're advised to not post anything work-related to personal accounts, particularly if it contains any identifying information about students or other staff. It is also very important that teachers should *never* interact with students on social media, other than through official school accounts.

See more about how teachers at public schools in NSW are advised to use social media <u>in the Department of Education's guide here</u>.

Lawyers

Once you finish your studies and want to become a practicing lawyer, there are certain things other than your education that can affect your hopes of being admitted. One consideration is

that you are a "fit and proper person" to practice. In the days of social media, what you post can be one of the things used to determine your fitness to practice.

As with many of the other professions above, client confidentiality is also incredibly important. Lawyers must make sure not to reveal any information about a client or case.

Using social media to find work - Be professional

Social media can be a useful tool to put yourself out there to potential employers. These days, it's becoming more and more common for people to find work through social media channels, so making a good impression is always important.

So, what's the long and short of it? If you're going to use social media, privately or professionally, make sure you use it the right way. Be considerate, positive, and mindful of what you put out there and the way you interact with the online world - it matters more than you might think.

Want more?

You can find heaps more resources about the world of work here.

University

Planning to study medicine at university?

Dreaming of becoming a doctor? You're not alone; medicine is often seen as one of the world's most respected careers (and typically comes with a nice paycheck too). If you want to study medicine at university, understand that this journey takes years of dedication after high school. But don't worry - with the right preparation, you can make your medical dreams come true.

Medicine is competitive, but totally doable

Yes, medical degrees are known for having high entry requirements and limited spots. Competition is fierce, but don't let that discourage you.

Keep working hard to achieve your best possible grades, and make sure the subjects you've chosen in high school will meet any prerequisites for your preferred courses. And remember, even if your results aren't quite enough to make it into the top programs, you still have options (we'll talk more about this later).

Are you eligible to apply?

Universities often require you to study specific high school subjects to ensure you have the foundation knowledge you'll need for your degree. Common prerequisites include:

- Mathematics (mid-level or higher)
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Physics

If possible, start researching early so you can select the right subjects for senior years. Find specific courses that interest you and tailor your subject choices accordingly.

Don't forget to include some subjects you're passionate about too - these could become your Plan B if things change (which is perfectly OK).

Make your application shine

Amazing grades aren't enough in this competitive field. You'll need to make sure that your extracurricular activities and personal qualities stand out too. In particular, universities generally look for applicants who:

Show passion and dedication

Excellence both in and outside the classroom shows you can handle a challenging learning journey. While your studies are important, don't neglect extracurricular activities either. Give your all to sports, drama, music, leadership, mentoring, or debating – universities are looking for high achievers in all kinds of fields.

Demonstrate commitment to learning and compassion

As a doctor, you will never stop learning. New drugs, treatments, and illnesses are discovered constantly, so you'll have to stay on top of it all through ongoing professional development and training. Plus, doctors need to have excellent bedside manner, which means you need to show empathy, care, and compassion.

So how do you develop those skills and show you have them on your application?

- Volunteer for charities, environmental projects, or emergency services
- Get involved in community work or raise money for good causes
- Make a difference, even in small ways, such as tutoring fellow students

Gain relevant experience

Having some experience of the field before university won't just boost your application - it can help confirm if medicine is the right choice for you.

You could try one or more of these options:

- Shadow healthcare professionals in doctor's offices, dentists, hospitals, labs, or pharmacies. You may not be allowed to do much, but observing these people at work will give you plenty of insight and highlight some of the qualities you'll need to succeed.
- Obtain a First Aid Certificate and work at events where you could put it to good use, or at least watch and assist while other experts do.
- Look at volunteer abroad opportunities where you can get some basic field experience.
 Projects Abroad are just one company offering this kind of experience for young people.
- Volunteer in rural or remote communities where you could support medical or health programs. Search for these online for the latest information.
- Attend any workshops and programs run by a university's medical school, or even take
 the initiative and contact them to see if there's any way you could be involved outside of
 term time.

Have a great personal statement

Applications can be pretty dry, but your personal statement is your chance to stand out. Take time to perfect this section - edit carefully, respect word limits, and have others review it. Explain why you're passionate about medicine and highlight the skills and experiences that make you a strong candidate and can help you succeed in your future medical studies. They want to choose good candidates, so tell them why you're worthy.

Attend information sessions and workshops

Universities and other organisations offer plenty of ways to provide medicine applicants all the information, support, and practical help they need - so take a look at what's available.

Info sessions and open days

Most medical schools host regular <u>information sessions</u> (both in-person and online) for prospective students. They cover application requirements, course structure, and give you a chance to ask questions directly to admissions staff.

<u>Virtual and in-person open days</u> also offer valuable insights into campus life and let you speak with current medical students about their experiences.

Sign up for university newsletters to stay informed about upcoming events or head to their website and see what's on.

Preparation programs

Many universities and private organisations also run a variety of programs for aspiring medical students, such as:

- Admissions test workshops
- Interview preparation sessions
- Hands-on experience days
- Student mentoring and advice

School holiday initiatives

Keep an eye out for school holiday programs where you can:

- Visit anatomy labs and simulation centres
- Learn basic clinical skills like taking blood pressure or giving injections (on fruit)
- Explore different specialties in medicine
- Talk with doctors about their career journeys

The connections you make at these events can be just as valuable as the information you learn.

Learn about required tests

To be eligible to apply for some courses you must have taken any specified aptitude and psychometric tests, such as the <u>University Clinical Aptitude Test</u>. They're designed to help universities select candidates with the "appropriate abilities and professional behaviours" that doctors will need.

Tests like these should generally be completed while you're still at school, *before* you submit your university applications. So you'll need to find out what to do and be organised well ahead of application time.

Nail your interviews

A lot of universities will be interested in not just your academic and extra-curricular achievements, but your motivation for studying medicine too. Why is it so important to you, and what will you hope to achieve in the future by becoming a doctor? These are definitely things worth thinking about before you go into your interview.

If your application impresses, interviews are your final hurdle. Everyone gets nervous, so preparation is key:

- Get lots of practice ahead of time ask parents or friends to help you out by asking you relevant questions
- Use <u>mock interview resources</u>
- Find previous example questions and rehearse your responses
- Know the type of interview you'll be going into this could be:
 - Multiple Mini Interview (MMI): You will go to different stations, read a prompt, and then respond appropriately.
 - Semi-structured interviews: A more traditional style of interview, where you'll be in a room with 2 or 3 interviewers who will ask you questions about you, your education, and why you'd like to be a doctor.
 - Unstructured interviews: Slightly less common, these are a more informal group-style interview to gauge your personality and how you get on in a group setting.
- Prepare a few of your own thoughtful questions to ask

No matter what format your interview is, be ready to discuss your motivation for studying medicine and your future goals as a doctor.

Get your finances in order

Unfortunately, the rumours are true - studying medicine is expensive. The costs might seem daunting at first, but don't panic. There are plenty of options available to help make your goal a reality. You can start preparing by:

- Researching course costs
- Looking into subsidised places
- Applying for scholarships
- Learning about loans you may be eligible for and how and when to pay them back
- Searching for government assistance that might be available and checking if you're eligible
- Finding a part time job or starting that entrepreneurial gig and saving for your degree
- Creating a budget to help reduce your overall costs

Have a backup plan

While confidence is good, having alternatives is even better. What if you don't get into your chosen university? What if something unexpected affects your results? What if you change your mind? What is your Plan B?

If you don't already have one, it's probably time to start planning. For starters, look at applying to more than one university – yes that means extra work, but it could also save you stress later in the year.

For some perspective on the importance of having a backup plan:

- In the UK in 2025, there were 7,600 total places available to study medicine, yet there were 23,350 applications made.
- In Australia in 2025, the University of New South Wales received <u>1,607 first preference</u> <u>applications</u> for their medical program, but only have 198 places available which means at least 1,409 people missed out.
- According to <u>Gyanberry</u>, the average admission rate for medical school programs in Australia is around 30%, meaning that only one in three applicants will be accepted and that rate can be even lower at the most selective institutions.

Remember though, there are also alternative pathways into medicine. You could:

- Complete an undergraduate degree and use it to apply for a postgraduate medical course
- Look into related degrees like biomedical science or medical engineering

Even consider a Plan C – if you don't end up studying medicine, what other careers would interest you?

Follow your dreams

No matter what you choose to study, the main thing is to do something you enjoy. You're likely to be working for the next 40 to 50 years of your life – so you might as well create a career you love.

If it is medicine, then with some hard work and determination, you could find yourself studying to be a doctor before you know it.

If you'd like more help, grab a copy of our <u>Entry to Medicine Guide</u>. It covers all aspects of applying, including lists of courses, how to prepare your application, and the options to consider.

Jobs & Careers

11 careers you may never have heard of

There are thousands of jobs and careers out there. Do you think you really know *all* of them? It can be fun reading about jobs, whether they existed in the past, right now, or might even exist in

the future. So here are 11 careers you may never have heard of - hopefully this list sparks your curiosity and gets you thinking about your own potential future.

Ethnobotanist

Like other botanists, an ethnobotanist studies plants - but more specifically how people have used and interacted with them throughout history. Think of it a bit like biology crossed with anthropology.

In Australia, for example, this job might involve identifying (and preserving) plants used for food, medicine, tools, utensils, and weapons by Indigenous people over thousands of years.

Respiratory Therapist

Respiratory therapists help people who suffer from breathing issues, including those who have had heart attacks, live with sleep disorders, and even premature babies.

These specialists interview and examine patients, provide emergency care, and work with medical teams to provide the best care for their patients.

Industrial Psychologist

Industrial psychologists specialise in solving mental health issues that arise in or from the workplace. Not only do they help increase productivity, they also improve the mental health and wellbeing of employees and create better working environments for everyone. You might collaborate with management to plan policies, carry out employee screenings, provide training, or even work directly with employees who need help.

Genetic Counsellor

As our understanding of genetics develops and testing capabilities improve, we're able to diagnose (and even predict) genetic issues. That's where genetic counselling comes in. In this job, you would inform and educate individuals or families about genetic factors that might affect them or their loved ones, as well as advise them about their options and the outcomes that treatment might have.

Ocularist

An ocularist is a trained professional who crafts prosthetic eyes for people who were born without them or have lost an eye due to injury or disease. They fabricate and paint them to look as realistic as possible, and also help clients with fittings.

These days, this kind of work is more likely to be done by a 3D printer, but there are <u>still some</u> experts who do things the old-fashioned way.

Doula

Doulas aren't medical professionals, but they are informed and trained workers. Their main goal is helping and supporting people during major transitions in their lives. They're most commonly hired by women to help them through pregnancy and birth. They might support new mothers and their babies with post-natal care too.

It's becoming more common for Doulas to help people who are near the end of their lives by providing emotional, social, and practical support. They might also provide bereavement support to family and friends who've been affected by the loss of a loved one.

Chief Listening Officer

A relatively new and niche role, your job as CLO would be to gather intelligence on behalf of your organisation in order to help them become more competitive - almost like a corporate spy. You'll find out out how the company is viewed by customers and competitors, then pass on this feedback to help improve client relationships (and make more money, of course). You could

also be listening to employees' concerns to create better working environments based on feedback, grievances, or suggestions.

Global Mobility Consultant

With the rise of remote work, packing up and moving no longer means you need to leave your job. Global mobility consultants help organise and oversee the movement and relocation of employees and their families, both within the same country or internationally.

You could be organising visas and plane tickets, shipping furniture, finding homes or schools, settling employees into a new work environment, and making sure they know what's expected of them.

Greenskeeper

If you think you already know about this job, we actually have a surprise for you. Greenskeepers don't just look after sporting fields and gardens - this job can also refer to a member of a production team on a film or TV set.

In this role, you'd be responsible for finding, buying, and taking care of anything that's "green" or natural to be used in a production, like plants, grass, trees, or flowers, and other natural and landscaping materials like rocks, gravel, or sand.

Parabolic Flight Crew

Similar to an astronaut, just without the going into space part. No, really. In this job you'd be working on aircraft that simulate low or zero gravity environments, helping to train astronauts, pilots, actors, or just provide thrill seekers with an experience.

Or, <u>as professional Tim Bailey puts it</u>, "teaching people how to throw themselves to the ground and miss".

Futurist

Futurists, as the name might suggest, specialise in making predictions and researching possibilities about the future based on data, historical facts, technological advances, and more.

These predictions are used to help out businesses, community organisations, and even government departments.

Find more careers that might interest you

If these unusual careers aren't quite right for you, there are heaps of other job options you might like to explore on our website.

Study Tips

Balancing academic and extracurricular activities: A guide for high school students

Are you feeling overwhelmed trying to juggle your studies with sports practice, music lessons, or other activities? You're not alone. While extracurricular activities are great for making friends and developing new skills, it can be tricky to find the right balance between these activities and your academic ones. Let's explore some practical ways you can manage your time and energy effectively.

Why are extracurricular activities important?

While keeping up with your studies is important of course, activities outside the classroom can add so much value to your high school experience too. Being involved in extracurricular activities can:

- Help you discover new interests and talents
- Build valuable skills for your future
- Look great on job and university applications
- Provide a fun break from studying
- Help you make new friends

But it's important to find the right balance so that neither your grades nor your activities suffer.

Tips for balancing academic and extracurricular activities

The key to balancing academic and extracurricular activities is smart time management, so here are our top tips for making it work.

Start with your studies

This might not come as a surprise, but your school work should be your foundation. Make sure things like assignments and exams have top priority - then, you can plan your other activities around them.

Choose activities you truly enjoy

Try and avoid joining clubs or doing certain activities just because they'll look good on your resume. Pick things that actually interest you - you'll be more motivated to make time for them, get more out of the experience, and just enjoy yourself more too.

Be realistic about your commitments

Like it or not, there are only so many hours in each day. So if you want to add more activities to your calendar, consider:

- How many hours per week each activity requires
- Travel time to and from activities
- Whether activities clash with other commitments
- Busy periods at school (like exam time)
- Time off to rest and recharge

Learn to prioritise

You don't have to do everything! It's better to fully commit to a few activities than to spread yourself too thin across many. And if you're feeling overwhelmed, it's totally okay to step back from some commitments - your health and wellbeing always comes first.

Creating a schedule that works

Having a clear schedule is one of the best ways to make sure you can fit everything in without getting stressed. Here's a simple way to put together a calendar to keep track of your commitments:

Use a planner

Writing everything down is a great way to help you stay on track each day. There are <u>some great planning apps out there</u> to help you put your schedule together, but good old-fashioned pen and paper does the trick just as well.

List all your commitments

Whatever method you use, your first step is to work out what all your commitments are and how long they take. Include things like:

- Class times
- Assignment and exam dates
- Activity schedules

- Study periods
- Free time

Block out your time

Once you know what you're doing, you just need to work out when to do it! In your planner, allocate specific times each day or week for each activity and commitment.

If you find some of them overlap or you don't have enough time in your week for all of them, go back and work out what should take top priority, and schedule it first.

And don't forget to leave some gaps in your schedule for unexpected events or tasks that take longer than planned - plus that all-important time for socialising, hobbies, and rest.

Look after yourself

While balancing everything is important, your health and wellbeing should always come first. Remember that you can't pour from an empty cup. Make sure you:

- Get enough sleep
- Eat well
- Exercise regularly
- Take breaks when needed
- Spend time with friends and family

If you're feeling overwhelmed, don't be afraid to talk to your teachers, family, or school counsellor. They can help you work out a better balance.

Want more tips?

Check out our website for heaps more advice on <u>managing school life</u> and <u>staying healthy while</u> <u>achieving your goals</u>.

Job Spotlights

Discover career pathways in Disaster Management

Disaster management is a crucial field that focuses on preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural or man-made disasters. It involves a range of activities, including risk assessment, emergency planning, and coordination of relief efforts.

This pathway might be right for you if you're interested in mitigating the impact of disasters and keeping communities safe or if you can remain calm and respond effectively in times of crisis.

What do careers in this pathway involve?

By implementing effective strategies and utilising resources efficiently, disaster management aims to minimise the impact of disasters on communities and save lives. People in this field work to ensure the safety and wellbeing of individuals and communities in times of crisis. There is expected to be steady growth in this field due to the increasing frequency and intensity of natural disasters related to climate change and a greater emphasis on community resilience.

What are some important human skills for this pathway?

- Making decisions
- Innovation
- Adaptability
- Communication
- Collaboration

What are some of the tasks involved?

• Develop, review & update disaster plans

- Manage emergency communication systems
- Oversee teams of workers & volunteers
- Implement hazard mitigation measures
- Coordinate search & rescue operations
- Deploy resources & supplies as needed
- Keep communities updated
- Conduct damage assessments
- Implement recovery initiatives

What kind of work environment and conditions can I expect?

Jobs in disaster management include a mix of office-based planning work and hands-on field work. In some roles you can work remotely during normal operations, but expect to work inperson during active incidents.

Working hours can be unpredictable – the nature of disasters means you could potentially be needed at any time, including overnights, weekends, and holidays.

The Clusters in disaster management

Find out more about the kind of work people in each <u>Career Cluster</u> might do in this pathway.

Guardians

Guardians in this pathway are crucial to help ensure the safety and wellbeing of communities before, during, and after disasters.

Linkers

Linkers in this pathway connect disaster relief organisations with communities and resources.

Coordinators

Coordinators in this pathway are vital, organising each detail behind disaster response and recovery efforts.

Informers

Informers in this pathway are rare but might educate communities on disaster preparedness and response.

Makers

Makers in this pathway are needed to operate emergency equipment and conduct rescue operations.

Innovators

Innovators in this pathway develop new disaster management technologies and methodologies.

Where can a disaster management pathway take me?

Interested in a career in disaster management? There are many roles you might like to consider – here are just a few.

Entry level roles

These jobs can be started with little or no training or experience, and can be great as a stepping stone towards more senior roles in the pathway.

Disaster Response Officer

Coordinate local response activities and provide direct assistance to impacted people and communities.

Emergency Services Operator

Receive emergency calls and provide initial guidance to callers in crisis situations.

Disaster Administrator

Process emergency declarations paperwork, maintain incident documentation, and support other workers.

Mid-level roles

Once you have some further study or experience under your belt, you might like to consider moving into one of these roles.

Disaster Management Officer

Develop and implement emergency response plans, coordinate disaster drills, and manage resources during crisis situations.

Meteorologist

Analyse weather patterns and data to forecast severe weather events and provide critical information to emergency management teams.

Disaster Recovery Project Manager

Oversee specific recovery projects following disasters, coordinating contractors and ensuring compliance with regulations.

Senior level roles

These jobs will require extensive further education or many years of experience, but are also highly rewarding.

Environmental Manager

Develop mitigation strategies for environmental hazards and coordinate recovery efforts to minimise ecological impact.

Disaster Policy Advisor

Shape high-level government policy to reduce disaster risks at regional, national, or international levels.

Chief Resilience Officer

Develop and implement long-term strategies to help communities prepare for, withstand, and recover from crises.

Similar pathways

If these careers in disaster management aren't quite right for you, you might like to explore some other similar pathways instead.

Environmental Management

Analyse, develop, and implement strategies to protect and sustain our environment.

Government

Manage policies, enforce regulations, provide public services, and promote citizen welfare.

Policy and Planning

Analyse, develop, and implement strategies to shape and guide organisational policies.

How can I build experience in this pathway?

If you're still in high school and want to find out if a career in disaster management is right for you, here are some activities you can do:

- Study disaster response plans to understand emergency procedures
- Research case studies of effective disaster management
- Participate in a virtual emergency preparedness workshop or simulation exercise

We recommend studying these subjects in high school:

- English
- Mathematics
- Geography
- Civics
- IT

Here are some suggestions of places you might like to try and find work experience:

- Non-profit organisations specialising in disaster relief and recovery
- Government agencies involved in emergency management and response
- Environmental organisations
- Humanitarian aid organisations
- · Research institutions studying disaster management

Where can I find out more?

You can explore other career pathways and find in-depth information on specific jobs <u>on our website</u>.

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