

# Careers Network

▷ **NEWS**

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Change of Preference

▶ **VCE results and ATAR release**

Thursday 12 December  
7am

▶ **CP Hotline – 03 9246 8604**

12–13 December  
8am–5pm

Monday 23 December  
8am–5pm

▶ **Deakin Change of Preference campus events**

Friday 13 December

Melbourne Burwood Campus  
Geelong Waterfront Campus  
Warrnambool Campus  
10am–3pm

Geelong Waurnd Ponds Campus  
12pm–2pm

▶ **December offer round**

Monday 23 December  
10am

### 2025 Career Practitioners' Seminar

Melbourne Burwood Campus  
Monday 17 February  
8.15am–1.45pm

## MAJOR EVENTS

### 2025 Career Practitioners' Seminar

**Monday 17 February 2025**  
Melbourne Burwood Campus

Join us at Deakin's 2025 Career Practitioners' Seminar at our Melbourne Burwood Campus.

On the day, you can look forward to:

- Insights from Vice-Chancellor Professor Iain Martin, including the university's latest developments and future initiatives.
- Discovering the latest course updates and initiatives set to be introduced.
- Hearing first-hand reflections from Deakin students on their experiences with work-integrated learning and industry placements.
- Taking part in a dynamic lineup of masterclasses led by Deakin experts and students.



- Joining a guided campus tour to see our world-class facilities, vibrant social spaces and on-campus accommodation options.
- Connecting with the Deakin Future Students team and collecting the latest 2026 publications.

We're excited to have you join us!

▶ **Register now for the 2025 Career Practitioners' Seminar**

# CHANGE OF PREFERENCE EVENTS

#1 Victorian university for student support



## GET SUPPORT DURING CHANGE OF PREFERENCE

As the #1 Victorian university for student support,\* we'll help you find the path to a future you'll love.

- Get personalised one-on-one study, course and pathway advice
- Chat with expert Deakin staff and current students
- Discover course and pathway options at the course information expo
- Join a student-led campus and accommodation tour
- Explore our world-class facilities and learning spaces
- Learn about student support and life at Deakin

## EVENT DETAILS

**Date:** Friday 13 December

**Time:** 10am–3pm

**Locations:**

- Melbourne  
Burwood Campus
- Geelong  
Waterfront Campus
- Warrnambool Campus

Chat with Deakin staff and students, course information expo, personalised course advice, campus and accommodation tours.

**Date:** Friday 13 December

**Time:** 12pm–2pm

**Locations:**

- Geelong  
Waurun Ponds Campus

Take student-led campus tours, see our world-class facilities and learn about student support and life at Deakin.

## WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU

Our expert staff are available on live chat and phone to guide you through the process and help you find your ultimate course.

	Thursday 12 December	Friday 13 December	Saturday 14 December
<b>Live Chat</b>	7am–9pm	8am–7pm	9am–12pm
<b>1800 693 888</b>	7am–7pm	8am–5pm	9am–12pm

\* 2022 Student Experience Survey, Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT).

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:  
[deakin.edu.au/change-of-preference-events](https://deakin.edu.au/change-of-preference-events)

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## All new double degree – Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics/Bachelor of Communication<sup>1</sup>

Do you have students who are future politicians, strategists or journalists?

Deakin is the only Australian university<sup>2</sup> offering the all new Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics/Bachelor of Communication degree.

Taught by world-class academics and researchers from four disciplines this course teaches students how to be:

- ethical leaders
- skilled communicators
- opinion shapers.

Students will learn the nature of public decision-making and the skills to analyse business problems in-line with social justice. They will develop specialist communication skills with the choice to major in:

- advertising
- digital and social media
- journalism
- public relations.

Graduates will be ready for roles in consulting, government policy, journalism, public relations, politics, strategy, and more.

► [Find out more about Deakin's Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics/Bachelor of Communication](#)

<sup>1</sup> The first intake for this course will be from Trimester 2 2025.

<sup>2</sup> As at July 2024.



## Save the date for the 2025 Science and Engineering Challenge!



- Geelong Warrn Ponds Campus – 18 and 19 June
- Melbourne Burwood Campus – 24 and 25 June

Deakin will host the 2025 Science and Engineering Challenge – a nationwide STEM program where teams of Year 9 and 10 students compete in activities involving the principles of science, engineering, and technology. Students participate in an exhilarating day competing against other schools in fun and engaging hands-on activities, including designing an earthquake proof tower, building a bridge, providing electricity to a city and mastering the art of indigenous fish traps. Winning teams go on to compete in state and national finals.

**Registrations for Geelong and Burwood events will open in early 2025.**

► [Find out more about our Outreach Programs](#)

## Women in Design and Construction

Deakin University's 'Women in Design and Construction' immersion program is back for 2024! Aimed at female Year 9 and 10 students, this week-long initiative held from 25–29 November introduces participants to the world of design and construction, industries traditionally dominated by men. Through hands-on experiences, students are inspired to explore future career paths in these exciting fields.

The program takes place at Deakin's Geelong Waterfront Campus and will focus on the disassembly and reassembly of small greenhouses, while applying sustainable and circular design principles. Over the course of the week, participants will work closely with industry professionals and current Deakin students to gain valuable insights into how buildings come together, with key tasks in areas like model-making, site analysis, and design thinking.

In past years, students have shown a marked increase in confidence, engagement, and interest in pursuing related VCE subjects and trade pathways. The opportunity to connect with women leaders in the field, including a dedicated forum with members of the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC), further inspires participants to consider these rewarding careers.

Now in its third year, Deakin aims to strengthen connections with local schools, industry partners, and communities, paving the way for the next generation of women in design and construction.

While the week-long program is at capacity, there is still limited space available for the Industry Forum and Workshop held on Wednesday 27 November. The first half of the day will see participants hear and learn from members of NAWIC about careers and their pathways. Later in the day, secondary students will be split into small groups alongside an industry practitioner and current Deakin students, working together to explore potential solutions to a real industry scenario.

### Find out more

If you have students who may benefit from this forum and would like to know more – or if you'd like to express interest in getting your school involved next year – please contact Elsie or Nick via [widc.team@deakin.edu.au](mailto:widc.team@deakin.edu.au).

▶ [Learn more about Deakin's architecture courses](#)

▶ [Learn more about Deakin's construction management courses](#)



## Explore Deakin's pathways into HR careers

The skills to identify, recruit and support talented staff are a critical function of all businesses and are in high demand. With more than 42,606 new jobs projected to be created for HR professionals by 2033<sup>1</sup>, now is a great time to explore careers in this field. Find out more about our HR plus recruitment and talent acquisition pathways below.

### Bachelor of Human Resource Management (Psychology)

This course explores the human mind in a business context. Graduates will have a significant advantage when performing key functions in human resources roles, from recruitment and workplace negotiations to creating high-performance environments.

#### Careers

Graduates of this course are ready to take on highly coveted roles such as:

- HR Professional
- Organisational Development Consultant
- Employee Relations Officer

This course is accredited by the Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI) and the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC). An APAC accreditation will allow students to undertake additional study to pursue professional registration as a practising psychologist through the Psychology Board of Australia (PBA).

### Bachelor of Commerce

The Bachelor of Commerce offers a well-recognised qualification that is a pathway into a human resource management accreditation. Students will get a taste of professional life and get job-ready through work integrated learning and experiential learning programs.

#### Careers

The HR management major within this course enables students to apply for Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI) membership. The skills developed and AHRI accreditation will allow students to pursue careers such as:

- HR Professional
- Training and Development Adviser
- Workplace Diversity Manager

### Bachelor of Business

The Bachelor of Business equips students with the skills and experience needed to succeed in the business world. Students can study majors such as people management, organisational psychology, or recruitment and talent acquisition. Students will learn to solve practical business challenges, explore innovative and emerging business trends, and prepare for the nuances of international business relationships.

#### Careers

Depending on the major selected, the Bachelor of Business can lead to various career paths in HR, including:

- Recruitment Consultant
- Employee Engagement Specialist
- Change Management Specialist
- Conflict Resolution Specialist



### Bachelor of Psychological Science

From the first year, the Bachelor of Psychological Science allows students to specialise in psychology majors in organisational studies, child and family, or forensic studies. As the only Victorian university to offer these specialist majors in an undergraduate psychology degree, students can follow their passion with the support of a focused curriculum.

#### Careers

This course is an accredited pathway to further study required to gain general registration as a psychologist. It also opens the door to a wide range of careers for those who wish to enter the workforce sooner, such as:

- HR Management
- Careers Counselling
- OH&S Officer

### Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)

This degree has an embedded honours year, distinguishing it from other psychology courses. The honours component includes practical training to prepare students for provisional registration as a psychologist with the Psychology Board of Australia and sets graduates on the pathway to general registration.

#### Careers

Upon graduating, students will have two distinct career paths: continuing in the pursuit of general registration as a psychologist, or entering employment in psychology-related fields that do not require registration, such as:

- HR Management
- Careers Counselling
- OH&S Officer

[Find out more about Deakin's HR Management courses](#)

1 2023 Jobs and Skills Australia Employment Projections.



## Discover Geelong's designers

From 21–30 November, Geelong will transform into a hub of creativity and innovation – celebrating its esteemed status as a UNESCO City of Design.

This year, Deakin's Dr Tonya Meyrick, Senior Lecturer in screen and design, is the 2024 Curator for Geelong Design Week.

The week promises to be an exciting and dynamic blend of online and in-person design-focused events. There will be a huge range of activities from design exhibitions to workshops, tours, collaborations, cultural events and more. The emphasis will be on cutting-edge innovation, sustainable practices, and creative problem-solving through design.

Alumni from Deakin's School of Communication and Creative Arts will be showcasing their exciting projects including:

- **The Narratology of Place – Jacinta Kay:** This time-based digital work focuses on what it means to be 'of' or 'from' a 'place'. How might we explore the vibrancy and unique cultural aspects of Geelong through form, pattern, animation, sound and projection?
- **Arch HIVE – Jacinta Kay and Colin Trechter:** Celebrate Geelong's rich culture of design, art, architecture, and industry through creative works. Created using scans and photographs of artefacts from The Geelong Heritage Centre Archives coupled with contemporary design ephemera.

- **Trans2Located – Deakin/Nagoya:** 19 Deakin students, translocate innovations from Geelong to Nagoya (Japan). The connection between the two cities' design and manufacturing industry is explored. Along with their contemporary art, design, and technology culture.

Work from established, emerging and student designers will be exhibited across the City of Greater Geelong. Join this vibrant community of creatives and explore design possibilities.

▶ [Find out more about Design courses at Deakin](#)

▶ [Find out more about Geelong Design Week](#)

## 2025 Deakin Accelerate program applications closing soon!

Applications for the 2025 Deakin Accelerate program will close on Friday 29 November. Please remind any interested students that the closing date is fast approaching.

Deakin Accelerate provides students with the opportunity to complete two first-year university units at the same time as their Year 12 studies, either on campus at one of Deakin's four vibrant locations, or through our premium online learning platform.

Deakin Accelerate offers students the same benefits as studying a fifth or sixth VCE subject through an ATAR boost, while gaining university credit and reducing the cost and duration of their future degree.

We are offering 17 exciting study areas across a range of disciplines, giving students a variety of options to get a head start on their university study.

If you or your students have any questions about the program, please contact the Accelerate team via [accelerate@deakin.edu.au](mailto:accelerate@deakin.edu.au) or (03) 9246 8188.

▶ [Find out more about Deakin Accelerate](#)



## Change of preference advice

The change of preference period can be particularly stressful for Year 12 students. Direct your students to our change of preference guide, which assists students in adjusting their VTAC preferences after receiving their ATAR. The guide includes information on alternative pathways to university if they don't achieve their expected ATAR, as well as steps to take if their results exceed expectations.

▶ [Read our Change of Preference article](#)

## Help them choose a career with impact

Help your students navigate their numerous career options with our educational article, How to Choose Your Future Career. Tailored for Year 11 and 12 students contemplating their next steps and what courses they should study to achieve their career goals; this resource offers valuable tips for achieving career success.

▶ [Explore our guide to choosing a career](#)



## Introducing DeakinRes' new Night Welfare Team!

At DeakinRes our standout feature is the exceptional level of support we provide to ensure our residents truly feel they belong. Central to this commitment is our newly established Night Operations and Welfare Coordinator Team, which plays a pivotal role in enhancing the wellbeing and safety of our students.

**Available from 7pm to 8am, 365 days a year, this dedicated team offers responsive assistance and proactive initiatives to address resident needs during the night.**

While DeakinRes has always maintained 24/7 staffing, this initiative represents a significant upgrade to our support services. Each team member undergoes rigorous training and onboarding to build rapport with residents and ensure swift, effective responses to welfare concerns. In just a few short months, the team has received overwhelmingly positive feedback for their impact on the resident experience.

This enhanced night support is complemented by our amazing residential leaders, engaging event programming, beautiful precincts, and the ongoing dedication of our 24/7 onsite staff. At DeakinRes, the wellbeing, safety, and overall experience of our students is at the heart of everything we do, and we can't wait for your students to experience the difference of life at DeakinRes.





## Deakin Future Students team

The Future Students team looks forward to assisting you and your students during the upcoming Change of Preference period. For any queries or guidance needed during the COP Period, call our CP Hotline on **03 9246 8604**.

We continue to accept requests for school engagements in 2025, and some schools have already begun submitting their requests. Feel free to touch base with us now to lock in your preferred dates.

 [Book a visit here](#)

As always, if you're unsure whom to contact, reach out to [future.students@deakin.edu.au](mailto:future.students@deakin.edu.au) and our team will be there to support you.

## Staffing update

We have a few changes to our team to share this month.

Aiden Gillard, based in Geelong, has finished up and moved on to an exciting new opportunity outside the tertiary sector. Aiden has been a valuable part of our team, and we thank him for his dedication and contributions over the years.

Similarly, Mikala Todd from our Warrnambool campus has also moved on to pursue a new career opportunity outside the tertiary sector. Mikala has been an integral part of the team, servicing schools in south-west Victoria, and we wish her all the best for future endeavours.

Both of their roles are currently on the market, and we look forward to welcoming new members to the team soon.



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### PATHWAYS AND PROGRAMS



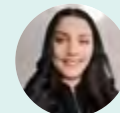
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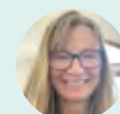


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