

NEW VIDEOS SHOWCASE THE VU DIFFERENCE

Victoria University has released a new suite of videos that illustrate the benefits of study at VU, through tours of facilities and interviews with lecturers, industry partners and students. The nine short videos focus on three areas – our industry connections, what makes us leaders in sport, and why VU is the University of Opportunity and Success. Hear from some of our key partners, employers of VU students, adjunct professors and graduates who have benefited from our industry connections. Explore our sport and exercise science learning facilities – the best in the Southern Hemisphere – and meet elite athletes who study at VU. Meet students from all backgrounds who have reached their education goals through our flexible pathways, support services and scholarship programs.

[View the videos online](#)

CHANGE OF PREFERENCE

We wish your Year 12 students all the best for the upcoming Change of Preference period. As always, we will be here to provide advice and assistance to you and your students. There are a number of ways to get in touch and discuss courses, fees, scholarships and student life:

VU Hotline: 1300 VIC UNI (1300 842 864)

- Monday 14 to Friday 18 Dec, 8:30am – 6pm
- Monday 21 Dec 8:30am – 12 noon
- Monday 4 Jan, 10am – 4pm

Chat online at vu.edu.au/change:

- Monday 14 to Friday 18 Dec, 8:30am – 6pm
- Monday 21 Dec, 8:30am – 12 noon

One-on-one appointment with a course adviser at our Footscray Park Campus:

- Monday 14 to Friday 18 Dec 9am – 6pm
- Monday 21 Dec, 9–11am

Change of Preference Expo:

- Wednesday 16 Dec 4–7pm, Footscray Park Campus

By now you should have received a selection of posters and postcards in the mail with information on our upcoming Change of Preference period. Additional resources will be sent to you at the beginning of December, so keep your eyes on the mail. vu.edu.au/change



VU HOSTS AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST MOOT COURT COMPETITION

VU's Law School hosted the 5th Annual Michael Kirby Contract Law Moot Court Competition in September, with the grand final held at the Federal Court in Melbourne. With 30 teams from 18 Australian universities, it has become the largest Moot Court Competition in Australia. VU's team advanced to the semi-finals, the only Victorian team to do so. The grand final was battled between QUT and

Grand finalists in the Michael Kirby Contract Law Moot Court Competition.

Griffith universities with Griffith taking out the top spot. Mooting is the oldest form of legal training for law advocates. At VU, mooting competitions are offered as an elective unit in our undergraduate law degrees to enhance our students' preparedness for life as a lawyer in the real world.

MARK YOUR DIARY

- 29 OCTOBER** Stories we tell ourselves about teaching and learning mathematics vu.edu.au/diamond-series
- 6 NOVEMBER** VTAC late course applications close (5pm)
- 23 NOVEMBER** Change of Preference opens
- 14 DECEMBER** ATARs released
- 16 DECEMBER** Change of Preference Expo, Footscray Park
- 21 DECEMBER** VTAC Change of Preference closes (midday)



VICTORIA UNIVERSITY



SUPPLY CHAIN STUDENTS SOLVE REAL WORLD PROBLEMS

In September, VU hosted – and won – the annual SAP-sponsored University Supply Chain Game for the fifth consecutive year. This one-of-a-kind event is leading the way in education for supply chain students the world over.

University student teams from VU, Deakin, RMIT, Monash and Swinburne competed in the problem-based learning activity, managing a fictional bottled water company in a simulated business environment.

As the students developed a business plan to manage all aspects of supply – from raw materials, marketing, pricing the products and tracking orders through to financial outcomes – they gained a hands-on understanding of crucial decisions in a real-world supply chain scenario.

The SAP software used by the students is the latest version, which is yet to be made available to most Australian companies.

DISCIPLINE IN PROFILE: HEALTH AND BIOMEDICINE

Victoria University’s range of health and biomedicine courses will ignite your passions and lead to a successful career. From nursing to beauty therapy, osteopathy to paramedicine, our many health-related courses are held in high regard around Australia and the world.

VU has carved a niche in the osteopathy and dermal therapy sectors, being one of very few universities in Australia offering these accredited courses – and the only one offering pathways from the certificate level right through to postgraduate studies.

CAREER OUTCOMES

Our Health and Biomedicine courses can lead to a wide range of careers, including:

- Medical and clinical researcher
- Nurse
- Paramedic
- Nutritionist
- General practitioner
- Pharmaceutical scientist
- Forensic scientist
- Dermatologist

WORKPLACE LEARNING

Clinical and practical learning is an important part of all of our Health and Biomedicine courses, and is compulsory for accredited courses in dermal therapy, dietetics, midwifery, nursing, osteopathy and paramedicine.

Our clinics and simulation laboratories provide opportunities to practice new skills in a safe environment, while the work placements we offer develop the confidence and industry edge that will ensure graduates are career-ready.

SAMPLE STUDY PATHWAY

Nursing pathway



HEALTH AND BIOMEDICINE COURSES

Below is a small sample of our Health and Biomedicine courses.

Bachelor of Health Science

Prerequisites: VCE or equivalent with a study score of at least 20 in English (any) or 25 in EAL.

2015 Clearly in ATAR: 40.95

Bachelor of Biomedicine

Prerequisites: VCE or equivalent with a study score of at least 25 in English (any), or 30 in EAL; and at least 25 in any two of biology, chemistry, mathematics (any) or physics.

2015 Clearly in ATAR: 82.7

Bachelor of Nursing

Prerequisites: VCE or equivalent with a study score of at least 25 in English (any), or 30 in EAL; and satisfactory completion of any mathematics.

2015 Clearly in ATAR: 50.35

Bachelor of Pharmaceutical Health Science

Prerequisites: VCE or equivalent with a study score of at least 25 in English (any) or 30 in EAL; at least 25 in Chemistry; and at least 25 in Biology or Health and Human Development.

2015 Clearly in ATAR: (new course)

GIVING BACK

Double scholarship recipient **Jessica Bonello** was driven to nursing by childhood experiences.

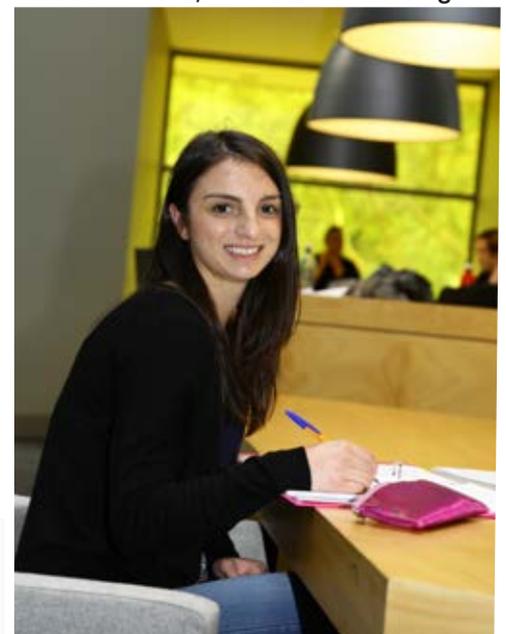
“I spent the first nine months of my life at the Royal Children’s Hospital and had operations every year until I was fifteen for Hirschsprung’s disease, a disease of the large intestine. This experience as a patient spurred my interest in nursing and I want to give back what I’ve been given.

The **Western Chances Scholarship** and **Achievement Scholarship** have helped out a lot with text books, parking and travel. It will also help give me the edge on my resume because nursing is very competitive.

The best thing about my course is the work placements. I’ve completed a placement at Austin Hospital in mental health within paediatrics and the experience was fantastic.

My goal is to work as an intensive care nurse in the neonatal unit.”

Jessica Bonello, Bachelor of Nursing



HLT51612
Diploma of Nursing
(Enrolled-Division 2 nursing)

Bachelor of Nursing
HBNB

Master of Nursing (Research)
HRNR

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
UPHN



INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Sri-Lankan born Tyronne Thirimanne is currently completing his Diploma of Business, providing a pathway for him to study the Bachelor of Business (Accounting) course at VU.

Thanks to the support of his lecturers and fellow classmates, Tyronne says his time at VU, and in Melbourne, has been “really amazing” so far. “Melbourne is a fantastic city with so many things around,” he says. “I recommend anyone to come and study at VU so they can see the difference for themselves.”

Tyronne Thirimanne, Diploma of Business

PATHWAY DIPLOMAS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES

The increasing number of pathways to university means the road to a student’s ultimate career destination is smoother than ever.

Three popular diploma pathways offered at VU are the Diploma of Business (Enterprise), the Diploma of Information Technology and the Diploma of Education.

By successfully completing one of these one-year diplomas, students can move seamlessly into the second year of the respective degrees: a Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Information Technology or Bachelor of Education (P-12) at VU.

Students learn the same course content as their first-year university counterparts but in a smaller classroom environment and have extra academic support, with a slightly longer semester. Diploma graduates continuing to their selected degrees earn full credit for their first year, while graduates joining the workforce are equipped with invaluable skills and knowledge for an entry-level career.

DIPLOMAS PATHWAY INTO DEGREES

Diploma of Business (Enterprise) – WDBE	Bachelor of Business (career outcomes include accounting, banking and finance, event management, international trade, information systems management, and marketing)
Diploma of Information Technology – VDIT	Bachelor of Information Technology (career outcomes include computer networking professional, web-based programmer, network and systems administrator, system security consultant, IT business analyst, and project manager)
Diploma of Education – EDES	Bachelor of Education (P-12)

QUALITY COURSE RECOGNITION

Further highlighting the quality industry recognised courses offered by VU’s College of Business, our Master of Business Administration has been ranked in Australia’s top 10 by The Australian Financial Review’s *BOSS Magazine*.

The rankings differ from those compiled by the likes of The Economist and the Financial Times, with more weight given to what former students say about the value of their study. VU’s MBA has moved up five points in the rankings from 2013, and is currently ranked at number two in Victoria and third nationally on student perceptions of value for money.

INFORMATION SESSIONS

Engineering activities for school students

VU’s Engineering Schools Program offers free hands-on activities for school groups. These interactive activities give students a solid foundation understanding of the engineering process from the design stage, to construction and testing. Workshops take place during Terms 4 from 10am – 12.30pm.

Find out more about the engineering activities, including available dates and how to register.

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Postgraduate Information Evening

Take your career to the next level with a Victoria University post-graduate degree. Whether you want to climb the career ladder, further your skills, follow a passion or study with an internationally recognised research community, we will help you reach your goal. Find out more at the Postgraduate Information Evening, Thursday 22 October, 5-7.30pm at our City Flinders Campus.

Visit the Postgraduate Information Evening page to find out more and register to attend..