



WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to a new and exciting year of opportunities and events at Victoria University. We hope you've had a restful and enjoyable holiday season.

We look forward to working with you throughout the year.

Warm regards,

The VU Future Students Team.

INTRODUCING THE FUTURE STUDENTS TEAM AT VU

Carmen Di Lullo

Manager, Future Students
(VTAC Applicants)

Carmen oversees the Future Students (VTAC Applicants) team and schools engagement events and activities. Carmen has several years' experience within the tertiary education sector and is currently undertaking postgraduate studies in marketing.

Tricia Fidler

Future Student Adviser

Tricia supports secondary schools across metropolitan Melbourne and the Loddon Mallee region. She is responsible for coordinating the Early Entry Offer program (EEOP) and two STEM activities offered by the College of Engineering and Science for secondary students in years 9+. Tricia holds a Bachelor of Arts from Victoria University and a Graduate Certificate of Career Development. She brings a host of experience to the team from her background working in various roles in the secondary and tertiary education sector over the past 17 years.

Emma Davies

Future Student Adviser
– Pathways

Emma provides information and advice for students completing Pathways courses at Victoria Polytechnic, VU College and VU's Partner Providers. She coordinates a range of VU Pathways events and initiatives, as well as promoting it in schools, at major exhibitions and with Careers Practitioners. Emma holds a Bachelor of Communications (Public Relations) and a Diploma of Professional Writing and Editing. She brings to VU 15 years' experience working with students and staff in Melbourne secondary schools in Marketing, Events, Alumni and International Education.

Adam White

Future Student Adviser

Adam supports secondary schools across metropolitan Melbourne, Geelong, and Victoria's Western District. He facilitates Victoria University's on-campus experiences and VU on the Road! and organises the annual Western Metro TIS event at our Footscray Park Campus. Adam holds a Bachelor of Education (Secondary) and brings to VU a range of experiences from having worked in student recruitment offices for universities in Queensland and the UK.

MARK YOUR DIARY

- 3 MAY** VCE and Careers Expo
- 22 JUNE** VU Careers Practitioners' Forum
- 19 AUGUST** Open Day



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Madison Soutar (right) and Mother Sharon Walker reflect on starting uni.

DAY ONE, YEAR ONE – FIRST YEAR MODEL

Monday 26 February saw nearly 5000 students commence their Bachelor Degree at VU via the block delivery method, studying one unit every four weeks as part of the new First Year Model.

Exercise Science student Madison Soutar, said she was excited about the First Year Model as it offered a more balanced approach to study.

“The First Year Model seems like a great idea to help first year students adjust to uni life.

I’ve told my friends attending other unis about it and they think it will be really beneficial – they actually sounded a bit jealous!”

Already embraced by progressive educational institutions in Canada, Sweden and the United States, this internationally proven teaching model is designed to enhance the experience of first-year students.



WINNING START TO AFLW SEASON 2018

VU Partner the Western Bulldogs commenced their 2018 AFL women’s season at Victoria University Whitten Oval on Sunday 4 February with a great win. The match between the Western Bulldogs and Fremantle Dockers was played out in front of a huge crowd of 8500 at Whitten Oval. After a recent win against Carlton in round 4, the Western Bulldogs sit on top of the ladder. The home and away season continues until Sunday March 18 with the finals series to follow.

IPAB 2018

iPAB is back for 2018 year and is a great opportunity for students to develop their business management skills, while crafting an original business concept into the next big idea.

The iPAB competition is open to Year 10 and 11 students from secondary schools across Victoria.

Students are required to submit an original business idea, with a brief business plan that is in accordance with the competition guidelines. Each application has a chance of winning \$500 and other great prizes.

If you would like to receive more information about the competition please email: ipab@vu.edu.au





HOW TO BOOK EVENTS

Now's the perfect time to book events you or members of your careers team want to attend throughout the year. Using our **online booking form** makes booking events easy.

It's also a great time to update your careers team details using our **online form**.



A CONVERSATION KEEPS TEACHING DREAM ALIVE

A conversation at Victoria University's Change of Preference Expo late last year has kept Stephanie Dossis' dream alive of becoming a teacher.

Stephanie, who has done community work for the Western Bulldogs and who currently teaches dance with Kelly Sports, had her sights on the Bachelor of Education (P-12) but her results dictated a change of plan. "I was pretty shattered," Stephanie told Victoria University Education lecturer Dr Zali Yager. "I had set myself to study hard for four years at university and become a teacher".

Fortunately for Stephanie VU's strong focus on pathways into teaching, which have been very much a feature of our courses, was added to for 2017 with the Bachelor of Education. This new course provides the opportunity for Stephanie to move into second year Bachelor of Education (P-12) in 2019.

"If I pass first year Education Studies, which is almost identical to the Bachelor of Education (P-12), and I pass the LANTITE, then I'll be able to move into the P-12 course in 2019," says Stephanie.

"It's very exciting that my dream is still alive. I love teaching and to still have the opportunity to be doing that is a thrill."

"It's great to be able to give that opportunity to students who have so much to give and who will be very different people in four years from now," said Dr Yager.

Victoria University's pathways into teaching include:

- Certificate IV Education Support
- Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (TAFE diploma)
- Bachelor of Early Childhood Education
- Graduate Diploma of Early Childhood Education
- Diploma of Education Studies (HE diploma)
- Bachelor of Education Studies
- Bachelor of Education P-12
- Bachelor degree (all disciplines)
- Master of Teaching (Primary Education)
- Master of Teaching (Secondary Education)



Emma Davies presenting the prize to Sarah.

KEEP IN TOUCH COMPETITION WINNER

Sarah Plant is 2017's Keep In Touch winner! Sarah attended Point Cook Secondary College during her VCE, having moved to Victoria from Queensland in 2016. She has accepted an offer to attend VU to study the Bachelor of Education P-12. No stranger to travel, having recently returned from a two week trip to the USA with her family, Sarah is considering using her prize to travel to Canada or Hawaii during 2018.

"Victoria University has provided me with a once in a lifetime opportunity through winning the 'KEEP IN TOUCH' competition. I am beyond thankful and look forward to being a part of the VU community in 2018!"

Sarah Plant.

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