

# VU

# NEWS FOR SCHOOLS

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## 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!

Remember to book in early for important events throughout the year and if any of your details have changed since last year, please give us a call to update them.

We look forward to working with you throughout the year.

Warm Regards,

The VU Future Students Team.



## FOUNDATIONS PLACES STILL AVAILABLE

Foundations at VU is a fully funded 13 week course providing students an alternative pathway into university if they didn't meet direct entry requirements. It gives them an opportunity to reach their goals of studying a higher education undergraduate or diploma course.

Direct applications close 20 February 2017.

For more information on how to apply go to:  
[vu.edu.au/courses/jyac#apply-now](http://vu.edu.au/courses/jyac#apply-now)

## PLACES STILL AVAILABLE

Just a reminder that places are still available for semester 1 2017. If students need more specific information before making a decision, they can chat to us online or call our hotline on 1300 VIC UNI.

## MARK YOUR DIARY

- 28 APR** ACN Nursing Expo, Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre
- 19 JUN** **VU Forum**, City Flinders campus
- 4-7 MAY** VCE and Career Expo, Caulfield Racecourse, Melbourne
- 20 AUG** Open Day, Footscray Park campus



# VICTORIA UNIVERSITY



## DISCIPLINE IN PROFILE: HEALTH AND BIOMEDICINE

### BACHELOR OF MIDWIFERY/ BACHELOR OF NURSING

The Bachelor of Midwifery/Bachelor of Nursing is a new course that will be offered in 2017, subject to being accredited by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC).

Midwifery and nursing are two distinct disciplines with shared understandings, knowledge and practice skills in professional health care. Students studying this course will undertake a varied and extensive program, which will give them the competency and confidence to work as midwives and nurses.

The Bachelor of Midwifery/Bachelor of Nursing is a four year full-time, dual undergraduate degree. Graduates will be eligible to register as Registered Midwives and Registered Nurses with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

Our course has a woman-centred approach in the Bachelor of Midwifery. Midwives provide comprehensive, professional care focused on a woman's individual needs and expectations. In the Bachelor of Nursing there is a balanced approach to person-centred quality care across the lifespan.

Our range of health and biomedicine courses will ignite student's passions and lead them to a successful future. From nursing and osteopathy to paramedicine, our health and allied health-related courses are held in high regard around Australia and the world. We offer a number of accredited courses as well as hands-on, industry relevant curriculum that prepares students for success in the workforce.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE COURSE, GO TO:

[vu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-midwiferybachelor-of-nursing-hbma](http://vu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-midwiferybachelor-of-nursing-hbma)



## 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 have 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 next placement is at the Royal Children's Hospital. My goal is to work as an intensive care nurse in the neonatal unit."

**Jessica Bonello,**  
Bachelor of Nursing



## iPAB 2017

iPAB is back for another 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](mailto:ipab@vu.edu.au)

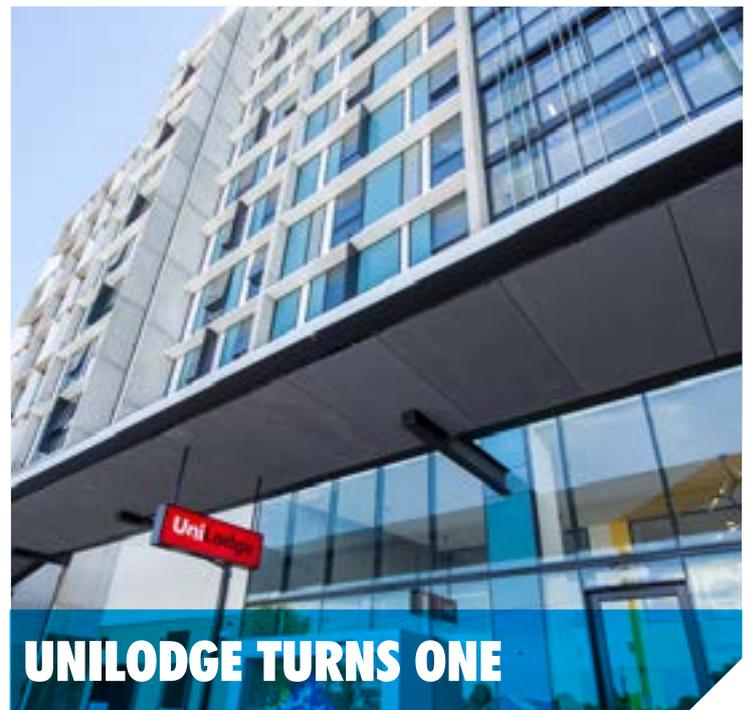


## BULLDOGS AND VIXENS SEASONS STARTING

The Western Bulldogs Women's and the Melbourne Vixens have started off the season on a high with wins across the board.

The Bulldogs kicked off their season with a victorious win against The Dockers by 32 points at Victoria University Whitten Oval in front of a crowd of 10,000.

The Melbourne Vixens alike, displayed a winning force with triumphs against the Adelaide Thunderbirds and NSW Swifts at the State Netball Hockey Centre.



## UNILODGE TURNS ONE

VU's newest student residence, UniLodge turns one this February.

This luxury 12 storey complex offers studio apartments, 2 bedroom and 6 bedroom share apartments to rent.

If students wish to live out of home, or experience life in a university environment, UniLodge is the way to go.

For more information on UniLodge and how to apply, go to: [unilodge.com.au/lodge/vu/](http://unilodge.com.au/lodge/vu/)

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## TRADES TRAINING NOW IN GEELONG

Victoria Polytechnic is now delivering carpentry and cabinet making courses at the Geelong Industry Trade Training Centre (GITTC). Apprentices have access to industry standard workshops, specialist machinery and theory rooms at the facility. To organise a tour, visit [vu.edu.au/career-practitioners](http://vu.edu.au/career-practitioners)

### QUALIFICATIONS AVAILABLE:

CPC30211 Certificate III in Carpentry

MSF31113 Certificate III in Cabinet Making



## A LEARNING JOURNEY TO LAW

Burundi refugee, Innocent Karabagega, completed a Certificate I in Work Education before transitioning into the Advanced Diploma of Legal Practice, and finally undertaking a Bachelor of Laws at VU.

"I chose Victoria University because of the good facilities and services that it offers to many immigrants and students from low income families. All my achievements are because of VU – they listened to me and transformed me into a better person who can serve other people, especially those who seek refuge in other countries.

The workplace learning and internships I completed at Stary Norton Halphen Criminal Law Specialists and my volunteer work at Flemington and Kensington Community Legal Centres have deepened my knowledge and helped me to be more practical, as well as enabled me to learn a lot from colleagues."

## SUNSHINE CAMPUS TOURS

Tour our state-of-the-art trades training facilities at the Sunshine Campus, with sessions scheduled every Wednesday, or you can organise a special visit at a time that suits you. Visit the website to book in [vu.edu.au/career-practitioners](http://vu.edu.au/career-practitioners)



## FUTURISTIC TEACHING TECHNOLOGIES COME TO VUT

Victoria Polytechnic will receive more than \$550,000 in state government funding for specialised teaching equipment in 2017.

NAO Robots, virtual reality goggles, computerised mannequins, innovative software, and simulation equipment will be integrated into our health, beauty, and community service courses, facilitating real world learning on campus.

The funding will also be used to upgrade the clinical teaching laboratories, giving paramedical science and nursing students the opportunity to simulate patient care procedures using the latest technology.

Victoria Polytechnic Executive Director Grant Dreher said the funding will not only allow students to keep up with rapidly changing technology in these sectors, but will also offer opportunities for its health-based students in areas such as nursing, aged care, disability work, and remedial massage to collaborate and play an integrated role in client and patient care.

"This money and other state government initiatives allow us to develop contemporary training products and upgrade to the latest technologies to ensure our graduates are skilled for the jobs of tomorrow, while helping reinvigorate TAFE training in Melbourne's West," he said.

## NEW COURSES

SHB30516 - Certificate III in Barbering

HLT64115 - Advanced Diploma of Nursing

## BOOK US IN FOR A VISIT

Our future student advisers are available to visit your school to discuss Victoria Polytechnic's courses, pathways and new blended learning model, with your students. To book us in, visit the website [vu.edu.au/career-practitioners](http://vu.edu.au/career-practitioners)

## MARK YOUR DIARY

**10 MAY** Brimbank Careers Fair

**25 MAY** Maribyrnong and Moonee Valley Local Learning Employment Network Try-A-Trade expo

**1-8 SEPT** Wyndham Learning Festival

