





It's a challenging time for schools and career practitioners and we want to support you in any way we can. We're developing online information sessions, school presentation webinars, online 1:1 consultations for students, and some fun stuff, like online scavenger hunts. These will be available on our <u>Career Practitioners page</u> in the coming weeks. Please get in touch at <u>student.recruitment@vu.edu.au</u> with any gueries or requests.

The Future Students Team

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### Work ready: preparing the next generation of outdoor leaders

In today's society, people are looking for ways to find a better connection with nature and natural spaces as they recognise the immense physical and mental health benefits associated with nature-based outdoor recreation activities. With participation in outdoor adventure activities consistently increasing, the need for skilled and knowledgeable outdoor leaders has never been higher. We prepare students for a career in this rewarding – and large – industry, which **a report in 2016** estimated to be worth \$7.4 billion, in Victoria alone.

VU's **Bachelor of Outdoor Leadership** prepares graduates for rewarding work - with a focus on building practical skills and industry connections. Our partnership with the biggest provider in Australia, **The Outdoor Education Group (OEG)**, gives us paid internships opportunities for our students, who work part time for the second and third year of their degrees as part of the internship stream. When students graduate, there's an exciting opportunity to apply for a two to three-year full-time contract with OEG.



# Creating tech-savvy grads through disruption and innovation

As well as transforming education with **<u>Block Model learning</u>**, we're using gamechanging technology to prepare students for today's Fourth Industrial Revolution.

The top five digital disruptors predicted to impact business in the near future are robotics, Internet of Things (IoT), artificial intelligence, block chain and augmented reality. To equip students for these developing workplace demands, we've introduced innovative teaching tech in fields such as cybersecurity, 3D printing and artificial intelligence. **Read more**.

Another emerging field – big data – is used to tailor positive student experiences. Our new predictive data analytics platform captures student interactions with learning systems, detecting and forecasting patterns of behaviour to identify disengaged students and offer them additional support.

Find out more <u>here</u> about VU IT Services and how we're preparing students for

success now and in the future.



#### Future focused: empowering students through VU Employ

The prospect of career planning can be daunting for many young people. So, as VU students progress in their studies and begin to think about life after uni, our VU Employ team works with them, offering encouragement and guidance in developing their professional and personal skills.

VU Employ offers a range of employability services, resources and programs that prepare students with the skills, experience, and knowledge needed to be job and career ready in today's ultra-competitive job market. For more information, see our **careers advice** page.





# Industry in focus: businesses pivot to strengthen supply chains

Disruptions to supply chains have a ripple effect, impacting both businesses and individuals. Global supply chains have been tested in recent months, and the supply of essential goods like food and medication has been put under strain.

With Australia's logistics and warehousing market expected to reach \$187 billion by 2021, businesses and supply chain professionals are creating innovations and solutions to meet the demand of countries and individuals. Australia's logistics industry, which for several years **has been digitising and integrating supply chains**, is adapting and responding to this unprecedented challenge.

With the growing demands of the market, the need for skilled workers has never been greater. The Bachelor of Business <u>majoring in Supply Change and Logistics</u> <u>management</u> (recognised by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport) will equip students to meet these industry challenges.





#### VU Polytechnic joins VU in remote and digital learning

To keep our community safe, and to play our part in containing the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), VU and VU Polytechnic have made changes to how we deliver our courses.

When classes resume on April 15, at VU Polytechnic, most VU Polytechnic students will have access to supported remote learning. They'll still be attending the VU Polytechnic classroom, but they'll do it online. Many students will be familiar with virtual classrooms, through previous VU study and our Blended Learning Model, which combines online and face-to-face learning. For more about our response, visit our dedicated **FAQ** page.

### **ONLINE EVENTS:**

**Online Information Evenings:** Registrations can be made at <u>https://study.vu.edu.au/informationevenings</u>

**VU Forum postponed**, a new date will be published once confirmed.

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