

From the Careers Counsellor



### **Australian Defence Force information sessions**

**Brisbane** – Tuesday 6 June 2017 at 6 pm - *Defence Careers Information Session* at Defence Force Recruiting Brisbane, Level 13, 295 Ann Street, Brisbane. Book your spot [here](#).

**Brisbane** – Wednesday 7 June 2017 at 6 pm - *Aviation Careers Information Session* at Defence Force Recruiting Brisbane, Level 13, 295 Ann Street, Brisbane. Book your spot [here](#).

**Brisbane** – Thursday 8 June 2017 at 5.30 pm - *Women in Defence Information Session* at Defence Force Recruiting Brisbane, Level 13, 295 Ann Street, Brisbane. Book your spot [here](#).

**Gold Coast** – Thursday 8 June 2017 at 6 pm - *Aviation Careers Information Session* at Defence Force Recruiting Gold Coast, 14 Edgewater Ct, Robina. Book your spot [here](#).

**Brisbane** – Tuesday 13 June 2017 at 6 pm - *Australian Defence Force Academy Future Leaders Networking Evening* at Victoria Park Golf Complex, 309 Herston Road, Brisbane. Book your spot [here](#).

For details about these events and for information on Army Reserve Information Sessions, visit the [Defence Jobs Australia Facebook site](#).

### **How do I apply for the Defence Force?**

You can apply online or ring 13 19 01. Visit the [Defence Recruitment Centre website](#) to find out if you are eligible to join and to access the six steps in the recruitment process. Each step has a video that explains what happens during the step. The six steps are:

1. Apply online
2. YOU Session
3. Assessment Session
4. Officer Selection
5. Fitness Test
6. Enlistment and Appointment.

### **Want to become an officer in the Australian Defence Force (ADF)?**

There are many different pathways to becoming an officer in the ADF. Explore the following options:

- [Australian Defence Force Academy](#)
- [Royal Military College Duntroon](#)
- [Graduate entry](#)
- [Defence University Sponsorship](#)
- [Reserve](#).



### **Bond University Snippets**

**Experience Days** – The following events will be held in June 2017. You need to register to attend.

- 7 June - [Careers in Actuarial Science and Commerce](#) - Experience a simulated trading environment with real market data and discover the emerging world of big data and the increasing impact it has on business, climatology, health, science, sport and technology.
- 8 June – [Careers in Sport Day](#) - Learn what a career in sport, physiotherapy, nutrition and dietetics or occupational therapy is like.
- 17 June – [Careers in Health](#) - This interactive day provides students with an opportunity to learn what a career in biomedical science, anatomy and medicine is like.
- 22 June – [Environments, Planning and Urban Design](#) - See how cities work and gain an understanding of the design processes involved in developing a local urban space.
- 28 June – [Communications and Digital Media](#) - You can tailor your studies to focus on film and television, journalism, digital media, computer games, advertising and public relations or keep your options open with a broad-based communications degree.
- 29 June – [Psychology Experience Day](#)- Find out about the fascinating study of the human mind.

**Pathway to Occupational Therapy and Dietetics** – The [B Health Science](#) at Bond is a 2-year accelerated degree designed for students who wish to explore a variety of disciplines in the health sciences. It can also provide a pathway to postgraduate specialised study, such as the Master of Occupational Therapy and the Master of Nutrition and Dietetic Practice.

**Bond with Bond events in Brisbane and Townsville** – These events provide an opportunity for students considering studying at Bond to learn about the courses available, the campus facilities, campus life, the fees and costs and scholarships. The [Brisbane event](#) will be held from 6 – 8 pm on Thursday 15 June 2017 and the [Townsville event](#) from 6 – 7.30 pm on Tuesday 27 June 2017. Registration is required for these events.

### **Coalesce Student Fashion Parade at TAFE Queensland Brisbane**

Coalesce Fashion Parade will showcase the portfolios and designs of graduating students from the Diploma of Applied Fashion Design and Technology. This event will be held from 5.30 – 8.30 pm on Tuesday 13 June 2017 at the Mt Gravatt campus. It will provide an opportunity for budding fashion designers to see the outcomes of the fashion courses you can study at TAFE. More information and registration on the [TAFE Qld Brisbane website](#).

### **Queensland University of Technology (QUT) information**

**2018 course booklets** – These publications are now available on the [QUT website](#). They include booklets for Business, Creative Industries, Education, Health, Law and Justice, and Science and Engineering. Other publications on the site include: Entry Pathways, Opportunities for International Baccalaureate students, Scholarships, A Quick Guide for Year 7-10 students, and the QUT Open Day program.

**Assumed Knowledge** – Most courses at QUT have [assumed knowledge](#) rather than subject prerequisites (B Education courses have prerequisite subjects). Students who do not meet the assumed knowledge requirements can gain entry to a course (if they also have a competitive OP or rank) but may find the course very difficult. Students in this situation are strongly encouraged to undertake [bridging courses](#) in the relevant subjects before they commence their studies at QUT.

**QUT Entry Bonus Scheme** – Under [this scheme](#) you can receive bonus ranks (not OPs) for successfully completing specific subjects. The specific subjects are Maths C, Languages other than English (LOTE), Engineering Technology (for entry to B Engineering) and university units.

**QUT's OP Guarantee** – Under [this scheme](#), if you get an OP 1 – 5 (or a rank of 93 or better), you are guaranteed a place in courses where this scheme applies. To find out if your preferred course is included in the OP Guarantee, check the entry requirements in the course information section on the [QUT website](#). Guaranteed entry is also offered to domestic students who complete an International Baccalaureate Diploma with a score of 33 or better. Bonus ranks you receive through the Entry Bonus Scheme count towards the OP/IB Guarantee. The OP Guarantee is only offered during the major QTAC offer round. You don't need to apply separately for the OP Guarantee, just complete your QTAC application on time.

**Languages at QUT** - You can incorporate language studies into many of the degrees at QUT as a minor (four subjects), second major (six subjects) or individual electives. Find out more about [language courses at QUT](#).

**Open Day updates** – On the day, you will be able to talk to QUT graduates about their studies at QUT and what they are doing now in their careers. Download a full program and register to win a MacBook on the [Open Day website](#).

**QUT at career expos** – Representatives from QUT will be at the [Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo](#) this Friday 2 and Saturday 3 June 2017. You will have an opportunity to ask questions about QUT courses and talk to current students about studying at QUT. QUT representatives also attend [regional career expos](#) during May, July and August.

### **Screen, Media and Animation - Open Evening and Creative Industries Exhibition**

The Open Evening for the Screen Media and Animation School at TAFE Brisbane will be held from 6 – 8 pm on Thursday 8 June 2017 at the South Bank campus. During the evening, there will be information sessions for the Certificate III in Screen and Media (TAFE in School and full-time), and related Diploma and Bachelor Degrees.

This event will coincide with CRE8. This is TAFE Qld's premier creative industries showcase event. The evening will be jam packed with diverse collections of free and interactive experiences and exhibitions showcasing student work. Visit the [TAFE Qld Brisbane website](#) for details.

### **Taste is almost here – a reminder**

The Agricultural Skills and Technology Experience (TASTE) is a four-day program for high school students aged 15 and over to help them explore the many career options available in the rural industry. The program will be run in the June/July and September/October school holidays at the Longreach Pastoral College and the Emerald Agricultural College. The June/July 2017 program dates are:

- 25 – 29 June - [Longreach Pastoral College](#)
- 2 – 6 July - [Emerald Agricultural College](#)

Download a flyer from the [Taste website](#).



### **Accounting/Commerce/IT cadetships**

Some organisations offer cadetships or traineeships for Year 12 students interested in accounting, commerce and information technology. Cadetships and traineeships usually involve work and study, so you can be earning an income and gaining practical experience while you complete your university course. Year 12 students interested in cadetships in 2018 should start looking for them early in the year. A useful resource is the [Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand Employment Guide 2017](#). This Guide lists organisations in each Australian state and the type of positions they may have (e.g. 'c' indicates the organisation may offer cadetships). You could also investigate the cadetship/trainee programs offered by organisations such as:

- [Pricewaterhouse Coopers](#)
- [Prosperity Advisers Group](#)
- [Ernst and Young](#).

Other useful strategies to find cadetships include doing an Internet search for cadetships and traineeships and regularly reading the 'Careers' section in the *Courier Mail* on Saturdays.

### **Places to search for jobs**

There are many places to look for a job. It is important to include many sources as part of your job search plan. The following are some of the sources you could use.

**Job board websites** – These feature jobs advertised by employers and employment agencies. They usually allow you to search for jobs by keyword, occupation, location or employment type (e.g. full-time, part-time, casual). On some of the sites you can create a profile and upload your resume so employers can contact you if they have a job that suits you. Some examples of job board websites are: [Job Active](#), [Seek](#), [Adzuna](#), [Apprenticeship Central](#), [Indeed](#), and [Spot Jobs.com](#).

**Company and organisation websites** - Companies, organisations and government departments often advertise vacancies on their websites. Look for the 'Careers' or 'About us' section on the homepage. A helpful website that lists large employers in Australia is [Job Adviser](#).

**LinkedIn** - This has emerged as an important platform for finding job vacancies. Companies, organisations and government departments all advertise jobs on LinkedIn. If you create a career profile, [LinkedIn](#) will use information from your profile to show you jobs you may be interested in.

**Networking** – Have you heard the saying 'It's not what you know, it's who you know'? That's what networking is all about. There are formal networking events (e.g. Career and Employment expos) but you can also use your local and personal networks formed through school, community involvement, sport or hobbies. Let people in your network know you are looking for a job. They may know an employer who is looking for a worker. Visit the [Youth Central website](#) for more tips on networking.

**Group Training Organisations** - These employ apprentices and trainees and place them with 'host employers'. Visit the [Group Training Australia](#) website for more information about these organisations.

**Newspapers** - Daily, weekly, local, state and national newspapers usually have job advertisements on some days. The jobs are usually grouped by profession and industry but it pays to look through all sections as the job you want may be in a different section from the one you expect. The Saturday Courier Mail has a Jobs and Careers section.

**Noticeboards** - Noticeboards can be a source for local jobs, often based on a casual or part-time work arrangement. Keep an eye out for job vacancy notices in places like shop windows, shop counters, community noticeboards (often found at supermarkets, libraries and shopping centres), outside factory gates.

This information has been adapted from an article on the [myfuture website](#). Read the full article for more job search ideas.

### **Should I get a part-time job while I'm still at school?**

The [Grow Careers website](#) lists the advantages and disadvantages of having a part-time job while you are still at school. Basically, the advantages are earning money, experiencing the world of work, gaining work skills and learning about your work-related interests. The disadvantages are mostly about having less time for study and other activities. The site has tips for managing a part-time job and for getting a part-time job. It also has a list of employers who provide part-time work to students. This is a useful site for anyone who eventually wants to get a job, part-time or full-time.

## **Financial Assistance & Scholarships**



### **JMC Academy 2018 Scholarships**

JMC is offering up to eight undergraduate scholarships for 2018 worth one year's tuition in the following Bachelor Degrees:

- Digital Design
- Contemporary Music and Performance
- Songwriting
- Audio Engineering and Sound Production
- Entertainment Business Management
- Animation
- Game Development
- Film and Television Production.

Selection details are available on the [scholarship website](#).

### **Le Cordon Bleu Australia 2018 Scholarships**

Le Cordon Bleu is a culinary arts school with Australian campuses in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth. The school offers the following degree courses:

- B Business (Hotel Management)
- B Business (Restaurant Management)
- B Business (Tourism Management)
- B Business (Convention & Event Management)
- B Business (Food Entrepreneurship).

Scholarships of up to \$30,000 each will be available to students commencing their studies in a degree program with Le Cordon Bleu. Details about the scholarships can be accessed from the [website](#).

### **Robertson Scholars Leadership Program Scholarships**

Each year up to two Australian students are selected to complete a four-year undergraduate degree at Duke University or the University of North Carolina in the United States. The scholarship provides for full tuition fees, accommodation expenses and other costs associated with undertaking a degree abroad. Australian selections are organised through the University of New South Wales (UNSW). Applications for the 2018 scholarship are now open and will close on 1 December 2017. Visit the UNSW [Scholarship website](#) for details.

### **University of New South Wales (UNSW) Co-op Scholarship Program**

The [UNSW Co-op Program](#) is more than a scholarship. It is a scholarship that incorporates industry experience, leadership and professional development, networking and mentoring. It is available for high achieving students studying in the fields of business, technology, engineering and science, and building and construction. The scholarship is worth \$18,200 per year for up to four or five years (depending on the course being studied). Applications for the 2018 program are now open and will close on 30 September 2017.

### **University of Queensland (UQ) Law LEAD Scholarship for disadvantaged students**

Students from disadvantaged backgrounds or who have experienced disrupted schooling can apply for the [UQ TC Beirne School of Law Leadership, Excellence and Diversity \(LEAD\) Scholarship](#). The scholarship is valued at \$7,000 per year for up to five years. In addition, recipients will be eligible for a support network through non-residential membership of a UQ College, a dedicated academic mentor, and priority access to internships and career planning assistance. They can also apply for the [UQ Special Admissions Scheme \(SAS\) for undergraduate law programs](#). Applications open online on 3 August and will close on 8 September 2017.



### **Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo this weekend**

A reminder that this expo will be held from 9 am – 3 pm on Friday 2 and 10 am – 4 pm on Saturday 3 June 2017 at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre. At the Expo, you will be able to talk to representatives from universities, TAFE Queensland, private colleges, industry groups, gap year programs and more. Visit the [Expo website](#) for a list of exhibitors and activities. This is your opportunity to start gathering information and asking questions about your future job and/or course.

### **Natural Health Open Day**

Endeavour College of Natural Health will hold its Open Day from 10 am – 1.30 pm on Saturday 17 June 2017 at its campuses in Brisbane and on the Gold Coast. This will be an opportunity to check out the campuses and find out about the degree programs in natural health offered at Endeavour, as well as the educational pathways and study options available. The day will provide you with an opportunity to talk to lecturers and current students. Please register your attendance on the [Endeavour Open Day website](#).

### **New York Film Academy (NYFA), Gold Coast Open Day**

NYFA offers accredited Advanced Diploma and Diploma courses in Film Making, Acting for Film and Screenwriting. It will hold its next open day from 10 am – 12 noon on Saturday 17 June 2017 at the Gold Coast campus. Note that students under 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. RSVP on the [NYFA website](#).

### **Queensland School of Film and Television (QSFT) Open Day**

[QSFT](#) offer a Diploma and Certificate III in Screen and Media. The School will hold its next open day from 10 am – 12 noon on Saturday 17 June 2017 at the QSFT campus at Annerley. This is the perfect opportunity for you to gain knowledge about the creative industry and career path opportunities. You will hear from industry professionals, along with personal stories from current and alumni students. [Register](#) to attend this free event.

### **Shillington College Info Session**

Shillington College offers accredited courses in Graphic Design. It will hold an [Info Session](#) starting at 6 pm sharp on Wednesday 31 May 2017 at its Brisbane campus on Level 7, 157 Ann Street. This session will feature a special panel of Shillington graduates, sharing their experiences and

outcomes. You will have an opportunity to chat to the graduates and view current student work. Visit the [Shillington website](#) for more information about the College.



### **Study skill tips from USQ**

The Social Hub on the University of Southern Queensland's website has lots of study skill tips. While the tips are written for university students, you will find them helpful for your high school studies. The following are links to a selection of the study skill tips on the site.

- [Does your motivation need a kick start?](#)
- [Five ways to boost your self-confidence](#)
- [Why you shouldn't study in bed](#)
- [Studying under the pump](#)

### **YEAR 10 STUDENTS**

## **TAFE Queensland SkillsTech Year 10 Trade Taster Program 2017**

Students who are currently in Year 10 who enjoy practical work and using their hands? Are you considering a career in the trades?

**Students can now apply for the Year 10 Trade Taster Program!**

<b>Cost:</b>	This program is fully funded by the Queensland Government and is offered to students at no cost. This program <b><u>does not</u></b> use a students VETiS funding entitlement.
<b>When:</b>	The program will run one day per week for 9 weeks, in Term 3 2017.
<b>Where:</b>	<b>Acacia Ridge Training Centre</b> , 247 Bradman Street, Acacia Ridge <b>Bracken Ridge Training Centre</b> , 157 Norris Road, Bracken Ridge <b>Alexandra Hills Training Centre</b> , Windemere Road, Alexandra Hills

### **Who is eligible to undertake this program?**

Students must be in Year 10 and be undertaking Maths and English at a Year 10 level.

### **How does it work?**

- Students will attend one day per week.

- Students who do not yet hold a Construction Safety White Card will undertake this as part of the program. The cost of the White Card is also subsidised by the Queensland Government so is offered at no cost to students.
- Students who already hold a Construction Safety White Card will not be required to attend the White Card day. Students will be asked if they hold a White Card when enrolment offers are made.
- Students undertake training in occupational health and safety and 3 different trade areas.
- Students will complete individual competencies from various programs but **will not complete a full certificate** or obtain any QCE credits.
- It is a condition of enrolment into this program that students commit to attending all classes.

### What trades are available to try?

Full details of the proposed programs available at each location, can be found by clicking on the hyperlinks below. Please note that these may change but are indicative of the trades available.

Places are limited so it is recommended that students have multiple preferences to avoid disappointment. When enrolment offers are made, if the student's first preference is unavailable, they will be contacted to request their other preferences. **There is no need for students to submit multiple applications with multiple preferences.**

Each group contains a maximum number of 14 students and minimum student numbers are required for groups to run.

- [Acacia Ridge Training Centre](#)
- [Alexandra Hills Training Centre](#)
- [Bracken Ridge Training Centre](#)

### How do students apply?

Students need to apply online at [tafeapply.com](https://tafeapply.com). Students will require an application code.

**Application code: TQST17TT**

To apply, students will need to enter their USI (Unique Student Identifier) number. To create a USI, head to [www.usi.gov.au](https://www.usi.gov.au).

Students will need to select an industry area. All students need to select the industry area of:

**Building and Construction**

\* please note - this is a system setting only and will not limit group selection to building and construction trades.

# **Applications open 8am on Monday 5th June**

**Applications will be processed on a first come, first served basis.**

## **What happens after students apply?**

After students apply, an email will be sent to their parents and the school, seeking approval for the application. If everyone approves, TAFE Queensland SkillsTech will contact the student further regarding an offer of place. Students will need to keep an eye out on their emails as they will be given a limited amount of time to respond to their offer.

## **Questions?**

If you have any questions, please contact our TAFE at School Team on 07 3244 0341 or email [schools.skillstech@tafe.qld.edu.au](mailto:schools.skillstech@tafe.qld.edu.au)

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