

From the Careers Counsellor



UMAT 2016 reminders

Students applying for medicine and other health science courses may be required to sit for the Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT) as part of the application process. You register to sit for the test on the UMAT website at <https://umat.acer.edu.au/>. On time registrations close at 5 pm on 3 June 2016. Late registrations are accepted up to 5 pm on 17 June 2016 (a late fee applies). The test date is 27 July 2016. Results will be available in late September 2016. Some important points are:

- It is essential that you read the entire *UMAT 2016 Information Booklet* on the UMAT website before you register
- UMAT scores can be used for admission only in the year following the test (do not register for UMAT 2016 unless you are planning to apply for a course commencing in 2017)

You can only register to sit for UMAT 2016 if you have already completed or plan to complete Year 12 in 2016 (Year 11 students or students in the first year of a two-year Year 12 cannot sit for UMAT 2016).

The only identification documentation accepted for UMAT 2016 are:

- Current Passport
- Current photo-bearing driver's licence (full, probationary or learner's permit)
- Current photo-bearing Australian Keypass
- Current photo-bearing Australian Proof of Age Card
- Current photo-bearing New Zealand 18+ Card

Candidates who do not possess a current passport or driver's licence are strongly recommended to apply for a Keypass or Proof of Age Card as soon as possible, as some of these documents can take up to 1 month to obtain. Please note that there is a Keypass Under-18 card for candidates under 18. No other forms of ID will be accepted. Candidates without the correct identification will not be permitted to sit UMAT2016.



Discover Griffith event

Griffith University invites high school students and their family and friends to get a taste of life at Griffith in a fun and informative on-campus event.

Tour the campus, get tips on choosing a degree, find out about pathways to Griffith and talk to current students about university life. Parents of current Griffith students will share their experiences of the transition from school to university and answer your questions about starting university-from fees and scholarships to textbooks and support for students.

Discover what Griffith has to offer in a relaxed market atmosphere, with food, games and entertainment.

EVENT DETAILS:

Wednesday 27 April 2016 – 4 pm to 7 pm – Arrival Plaza – Nathan Campus

Thursday 28 April 2016 – 4 pm to 7 pm – University Drive – Gold Coast Campus

GUESTS PROGRAM – Semester Two – 2016

Year 12 students applying for Semester Two intake must submit their application by the 30 May 2016. Documentation should include the Year 11 Semester 1 and 2 reports and the Year 12 Term 1 report. Go to the website and look at the criteria and also what courses students can study. Students must be getting at least a B in most of their subjects to apply.

SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS AVAILABLE AT COUNCIL

ANY STUDENT IN YEAR 11 INTERESTED IN UNDERTAKING A SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIP THROUGH THE LOGAN COUNCIL MUST SEE MRS NAICKER IMMEDIATELY.





Experience Days at Bond – These events provide Year 11 and 12 students with the opportunity to experience what life is like at Bond both inside and outside of the classroom while exploring a specific study area. The Semester one 2016 Experience Days are:

- 28 April – Sports and Health Sciences Day
- 11 May – Business and Commerce Day
- 12 May - Hotel and Tourism Management Day
- 12 May - Actuarial Science Day
- 12 May - International Relations Day
- 21 May - Law Experience Day
- 21 May – Biomedical Science and Medicine Day
- 26 May - Communications, Film and Digital Media Day
- 15 June – Architecture Day
- 16 June – Psychology Day
- 22 June – Environments, Planning and Urban Design Day

For more information and to register, visit <https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/see-yourself/experience-days>. You can download the Experience Day booklet on this site.

The restructured Medical Program at Bond University

Bond's Medical Program is now comprised of two sequential degrees - the Bachelor of Medical Studies (BMedSt) and the Doctor of Medicine (MD). Students are required to complete both degrees for registration as a medical practitioner. Both degrees are awarded at the completion of Year five. Entry requirements for the Medical Program are:

- Academic merit (e.g. OP)
- Prerequisites of Authority English plus one of Chemistry, Maths B or Physics
- Short-listed applicants will be required to attend an interview (a structured Multi Mini Interview - MMI)
- Note that UMAT is not a prerequisite.

Applications for the Medical Program are through QTAC. They will open in early January 2017 and close in early February. The course commences in May. Details can be accessed at <https://bond.edu.au/program/medical-program>.

Visit <http://files.clickdimensions.com/bondeduau-a6qbr/documents/hsm/medicinepresentationfordecember2015.pdf> to view a slide presentation about the Medical Program presented by Bond's Dean of Medicine.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT BOND UNIVERSITY

Bond University scholarships for 2017 are now open

Bond's scholarship program offers a large number of full fee and part fee scholarships as well as cash bursaries. Most scholarships can be used for any single or combined program (with the exception of the Medical Program). These scholarships are available to Australian and international students. Visit <https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/how-apply/scholarships> for more information, to download the scholarship brochure and to access the application tips. Scholarship applications for Year 12s must be lodged online using the Bond University application form. Applications close on 31 July 2016.



Careers in local government

Local councils provide many of the services we use in our day-to-day lives. These include roads and parks and community services (e.g. libraries, child care and many others). There are over 500 local councils across Australia. Occupations in demand by councils include engineering, building surveying, town planning, IT, trade areas, accounting, emergency management, customer service and environmental health.

To provide information on local councils and the occupations they employ, Government Skills Australia has developed an interactive local government careers website at <http://localgovernmentcareers.com.au/>. The site allows you to click on an area of interest to access a list of job titles and related qualifications used by local councils. The resources section has a downloadable local government career map poster and links to related websites. There is also a useful 'How to Search' section at <http://localgovernmentcareers.com.au/how-to-use-the-search-tools/> to help you make the most of the website.

Chemistry careers

The Royal Australian Chemical Institute website at <http://www.raci.org.au/jobs-careers/career-planning> has a section on Career planning which contains profiles of people who use chemistry in their careers. The profiles include an inorganic chemist who is also a violinist, a lecturer in medicinal chemistry who was once in the Navy and a chemist who is also an aviator.

Construction careers

According to the Commonwealth Department of Employment, construction industry employment is projected to grow by 8% to November 2018 (<http://lmip.gov.au/default.aspx?LMIP/EmploymentProjections>). To find out about construction jobs, visit the Be Constructive website at <http://www.constructmycareer.com.au/>. You can access information sheets on a range of construction jobs in the 'Career practitioners' section.

Occupation videos

The WA Department of Training and Workforce Development website at <http://www.careercentre.dtwd.wa.gov.au/Occupations/Pages/OccupationVideos.aspx> has videos on a broad range of occupations, including Accountant, Spray Painter, Youth Program Coordinator and many more.

Pathways to medical specialisations and other health career resources

The My Health Career website at <https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/become-a-doctor> has infographics and other information on pathways to ten different medical specialisations. The 'Videos' section of the website has interviews with practitioners involved in dentistry, dietetics, medicine, nursing, optometry, occupational therapy, pharmacy, psychology, physiotherapy and podiatry. Explore more of the resources on this website at <https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/> and subscribe to a regular health careers newsletter.

What does a Hydrographic Surveyor do?

According to the Good Universities Guide career search, a Hydrographic Surveyor maps the physical features of oceans, seas, rivers, dams and lakes and the adjacent land. They can focus on land based hydrography or sea based hydrography. A number of hydrographers also work at the interface of land and sea. Find out more about this career from the following websites.

- Australian Hydrographers Association website at <http://aha.net.au/about-aha/faq/hydrography-now-theres-career/> for information about land based hydrographers.
- Hydrography as a career at <http://riaus.org.au/all-programs/education/stem-career-packs/> (scroll down to the 'Hydrography as a career' video) looks at sea based hydrography.
- Learn about Hydrographic certification at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QtIDfp2kmB0>.
- Australian Defence Force Hydrographers at www.defencejobs.gov.au/navy/jobs/HydrographicSurveying/.

Hydrographic Surveyors need to be good at maths, interested in technology, have good organisational skills and attention to detail and be able to work independently or as part of

a team. Most hydrographers gain their learning and education through a mix of on the job training and formal studies. Traineeships and cadetships are offered regularly by water authorities, water and energy utilities, environmental consulting firms as well as contracting companies to the water, mining and forestry sciences. You could do a course in surveying or spatial studies as a preliminary pathway to Hydrographic Surveying. Do a course search on the Good Universities Guide website at <http://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/> for surveying/spatial science courses.

Youth Enrichment Activities

2016 Chrysalis International Young Leaders Conference

Chrysalis provides an opportunity for 50 Year 9 - 12 students from around the world and Australia to come together for a fun and stimulating two-week program of leadership education, extra-curricular and recreational activities. The program will be held Sunday 31 July – Saturday 14 August 2016 at the University of Queensland, Brisbane. Applications close on 29 April 2016. More information at <http://chrysalisyoungeaders.org/programs.html>.

Love everything about flying? – Check out the Australian Youth Aerospace Forum (AYAF)

AYAF is an annual five-day conference for students in Years 11 and 12 who are interested in investigating careers and pathways in the aerospace industry (e.g. Aerospace engineering, Aerospace trades, Military aerospace and Pilot Training). In 2016 the AYAF will be run from 27 June – 1 July 2016 (school holidays). It will be hosted by The University of Queensland, with day trips to other universities and industry locations. Early bird applications (\$199) are now open and will close on 30 April 2016. Standard applications (249) open on 1 May and close on 30 May 2016. The cost includes all meals, accommodation and activities for the week. A subsidy can be organised for students travelling long distances. Visit <http://ayaa.com.au/AYAF-Bris> for details and to apply.

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