

# In Focus



**November 2020**

**Hi All**

No amount of amazing teaching or fantastic career education could have adequately prepared 2020 graduates to enter the world beyond school. Things are changing too fast.

## Changes

- Free and low cost VET courses are delivering skilled workers to employers who can no longer import skills from overseas.
- Women are being recruited into trades where there has only ever been 1% of female participation.
- Aged care and childcare pay and work conditions have caused females to look to alternative careers, like entry level cybersecurity.
- WA is building capacity in defence industry and train carriage manufacturing.
- Uni course fees are being revolutionized.
- ATAR results became less important as unis struggled to make up for the loss of international students.
- Minister for Agriculture, David Littleproud, told Australians of the riches to be made as a strawberry picker!!!

2020 has been a wild ride. Fingers crossed that we will start to cope with the changes in 2021.

*Bev*

## BLOG POSTS

[Are you nice enough to win that job?](#)

[How to get authentic work skills infographic](#)

[Do you know who to call? Career websites](#)

[More uni entry pathways for 2021](#)

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# Section 1 Students and Families

## News

### Events

#### October 22 – 24 SkillsWest Careers & Employment Expo

The SkillsWest Expo is on at the Perth Convention Centre this week.

I anticipate that the crowds will be significant this year as most other career events moved online or were cancelled.

To find more information or to register your school go [HERE](#).



#### 20 December ATAR Results Out

ATAR results will be out on 20<sup>th</sup> December.

You will be able to view and download digital copies of your WACE, WASSA, ATAR course reports,

#### EXAM RESULTS AND AWARDS MID JANUARY

ATAR examination results, and any awards from mid-January 2021. You can present these digital certificates when applying for university, TAFE, employment or training.

Find information [HERE](#).

#### Uni Fees Dramatic Restructure

##### NEW COURSE FEE CALCULATIONS

The McKell Institute has identified how new University Course Fees will put [Young People at Risk](#)

The most expensive course is Law. You can view the full range of anticipated costs [HERE](#).

Degree courses	New annual cost	Number of years	Total cost of degree	Total size of loan
Combined Law	\$14,500	5	\$72,500.00	\$86,659
Communications	\$14,500	4	\$58,000.00	\$69,328
Medicine	\$11,300	5	\$56,500.00	\$67,535
Vet science	\$11,300	5	\$56,500.00	\$67,535
Dental	\$11,300	4	\$45,200.00	\$54,028
Food and hospitality	\$14,500	3	\$43,500.00	\$51,996
Management and commerce	\$14,500	3	\$43,500.00	\$51,996
Mixed fields	\$14,500	3	\$43,500.00	\$51,996
Economics	\$14,500	3	\$43,500.00	\$51,996
Humanities	\$14,500	3	\$43,500.00	\$51,996
Society and culture	\$14,500	3	\$43,500.00	\$51,996
Architecture and building	\$7,700	3	\$23,100.00	\$27,611
IT	\$7,700	3	\$23,100.00	\$27,611
Health	\$7,700	3	\$23,100.00	\$27,611
Creative arts	\$7,700	3	\$23,100.00	\$27,611
Allied health	\$7,700	3	\$23,100.00	\$27,611
Engineering	\$7,700	3	\$23,100.00	\$27,611

*Note: the length of the degree may vary depending on the institution; total loan sizes have been calculated assuming an average annual interest rate of 1.8%*

Source: Author's calculations using new course fee data [Get the data](#) Created with [Datawrapper](#)

You can read the McKell Institute analysis of the impact of these changes [HERE](#).

## Defence Manufacturing Jobs

The State Government is building our capacity to undertake manufacturing work for the defence industry.

- \$20,000 for defence manufacturing industry employers to train apprentices. This is on top of other incentives to employ an apprentice, that have already been announced.
- New short courses to create a defence ready workforce
- 335 apprenticeships to be created in nominated trades.

- Scholarships for women and defence veterans to take up jobs in defence industry manufacturing.
- Upgrades to South Metro TAFE to prepare to deliver defence related training.
- Rockingham Jobs and Skills Centre to provide advice to job-seekers and potential workers.

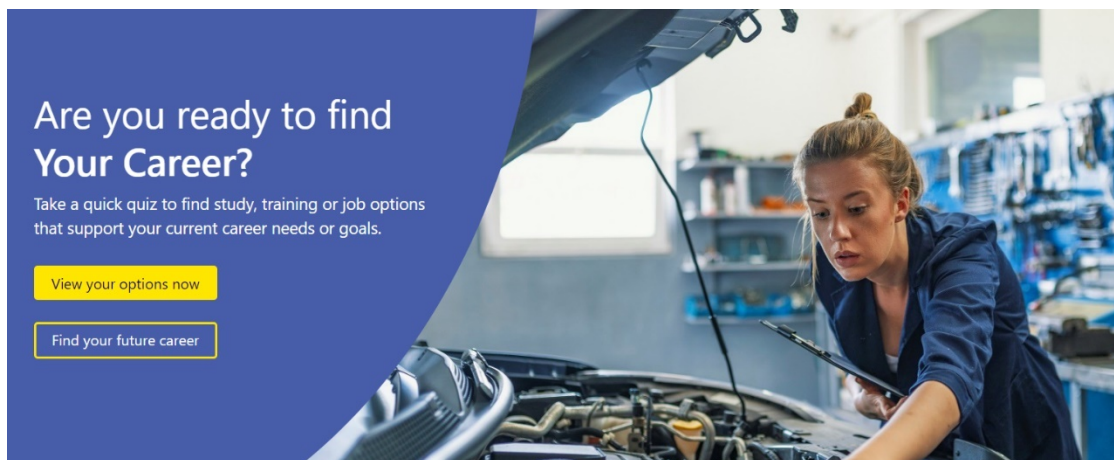
This workforce investment aims to provide the skilled workers needed to support upcoming WA defence projects and secure future defence work, expected to be valued at up to \$75 billion nationally over the next decade.

Keep an eye on the [Rockingham Jobs and Skills Centre](#) for updates.

## New Website

There is a new website to dazzle those of you who think too many websites are barely enough!! This one has been created by the new [National Careers Institute](#).

It is called [Your Career](#) and it is crisp and easy to follow.



You can find a [School Leavers Information Kit](#) that pulls together information from the site for students graduating from school this year.

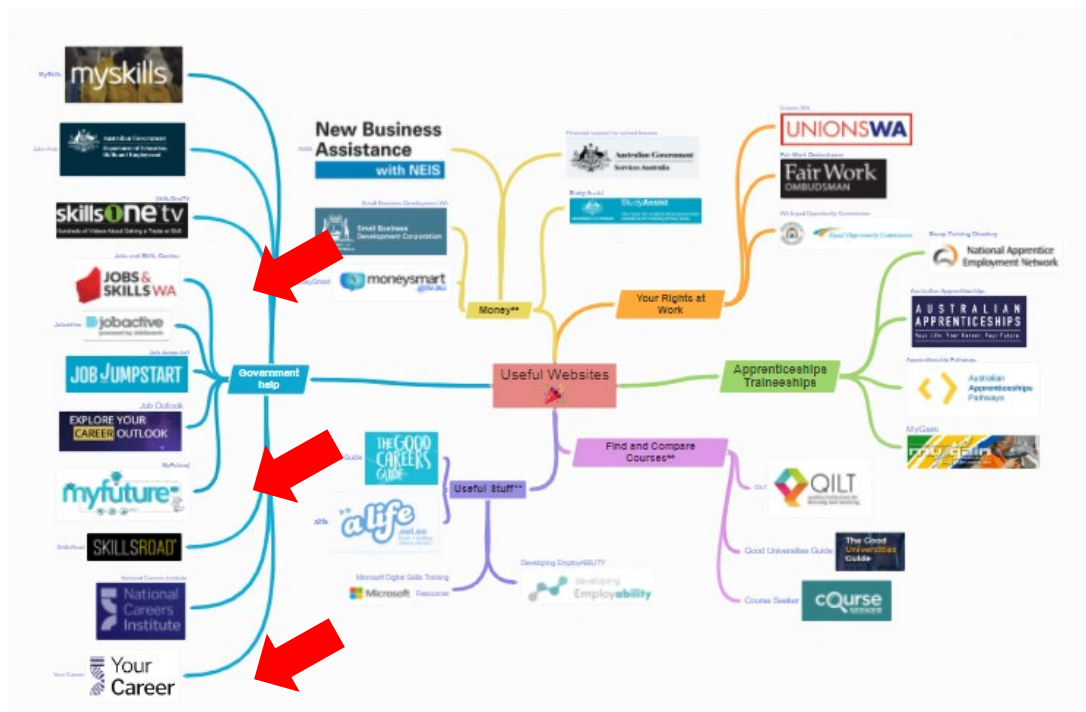
There is also a **School Leavers Information Service** which will provide school leavers with phone, text or email support to navigate the School Leavers Information Kit, and to access and use the Your Career website.



The service also offers a personalised career guidance session with a qualified career practitioner for up to 45 minutes, where needed.

The site has an Australia wide focus and Western Australian training information tends to go onto the [Jobs and Skills site](#)

As you can see, there are lots of career information sites.

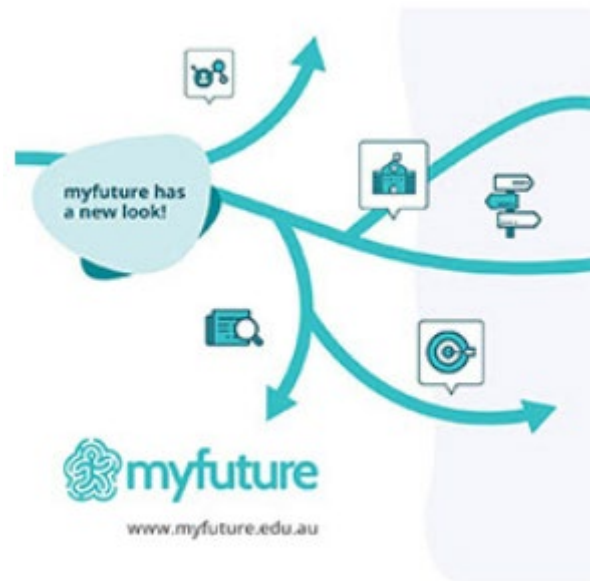


The most comprehensive one is [myfuture](#) which has been recently revamped.

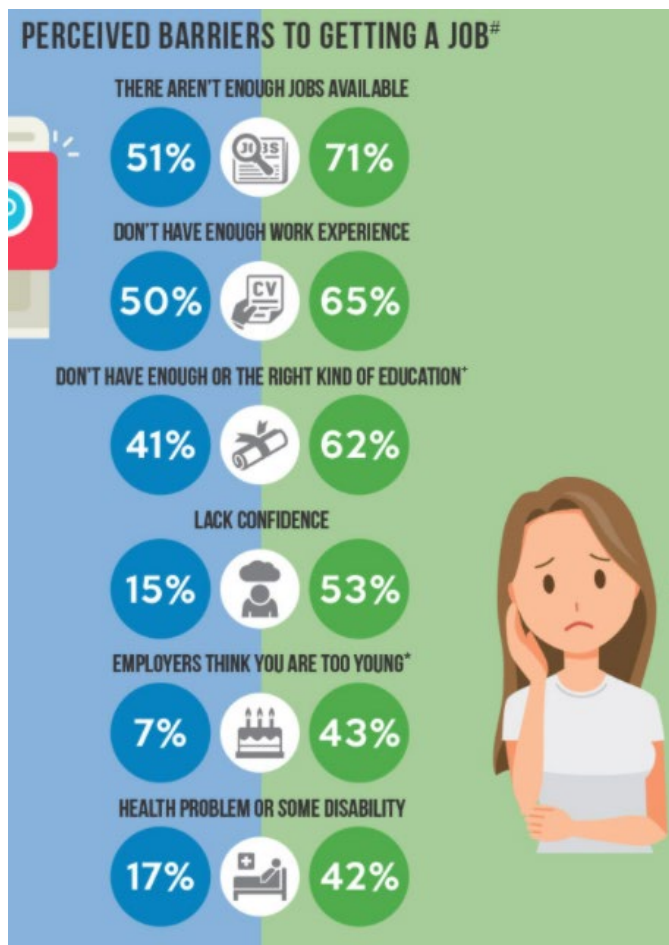
New features include a 'My Favourites' section, glossary terms and tips to help students uncover new information and options.

In Western Australia we need to subscribe to myfuture. It costs about \$15 and is well worth it.

I still use and build on the profile I created on myfuture 10 years ago.



## Life at 25 Then (2009) and Now (2019)



These infographics are a great way to quickly see how the world has changed for 25-year olds between 2009 – 2019.

This part of the infographic is the most worrying. I tend to think of 25-year olds as confident, but "Lack of Confidence" has soared as a Perceived Barrier to Getting a Job.

You can check out the full infographic [HERE](#).

## Opportunities

### Online Courses

Hot on the heels of the Microsoft suite of online learning tools, Google has launched a new a suite of tools called [Learn Digital with Google](#)





# Training News

## Hofmann Engineering Apprenticeships Now

Hofmann Engineering is a West Australian company that has to be up there as one of the best employers in the State. Anyone who does their apprenticeship with Hofmann will be set up for a great career.

They have won contracts to build some of the railcars in the new Midvale rail workshop and they have won defence contracts.

They are looking for their 2021 apprentice intake so contact them now: Phone 9279 5522 or go to [vacancy@hofmannengineering.com](mailto:vacancy@hofmannengineering.com).

To read what a great company Hofmann is to work for [check out this article from Business News](#).



**HOFMANN Engineering** **APPRENTICESHIPS**  
2021 RECRUITMENT - PERTH

### KICK START YOUR CAREER!

Engineering | Mechanical (Fitter/Machinist)  
Fabrication (Boilermaker)

An Apprenticeship at Hofmann Engineering is a great way to kick start your career, benefits include:

- GET PAID TO LEARN**  
Work while you learn in a job that complements your career goals.
- LEARN NEW SKILLS**  
The real on-the-job work that complements what you learn at TAFE. You also learn methods and skills from our experienced supervisors and employees that you wouldn't necessarily learn in the classroom.
- YOU GET QUALIFIED**  
You gain a nationally accredited qualification.
- HAVE A GREAT JOB**  
Hofmann Engineering is industry known for training the best apprentices. A rewarding career awaits you. There is no end to where an apprenticeship at Hofmann Engineering can take you!

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- Hand-written cover letter
- Current resume
- Academic results (please include a copy)

[vacancy@hofmannengineering.com](mailto:vacancy@hofmannengineering.com)  
For more information contact our Bassendean office on (08) 9279 5522.

**APPLY HERE!**

[www.hofmannengineering.com](http://www.hofmannengineering.com)

## 24 October Automotive Careers Open Day

I recently reported that there was a skills shortage in the automotive industry so job prospects are good. If you are interested in this sort of career, the Motor Traders Association Open Day is on 24 October. You can find more details [HERE](#).



**OPEN DAY**  
**AUTOMOTIVE CAREERS**  
**9:30AM - 1PM SAT 24 OCT 253 BALCATT RD**

come join us!

## Applications Close 30 November - College of Electrical Training Pre-Apprenticeship for 2021

Applications are now open for our January and February 2021 [Certificate II in Electrotechnology Pre-Apprenticeship](#) at Jandakot and Joondalup campuses closing 30 November 2020.



## NEW FREE TRAINING FOR THE BLOOMING HORTICULTURE INDUSTRY!

The new **Introduction to Production Horticulture skill set** will prepare workers for entry level roles in horticulture. This new skill set covers safe work practice in the horticultural industry; and the skills and knowledge to either plant or harvest horticultural crops, depending on the season and location.



**It is free for people aged 15 to 24, concession students and displaced workers.**

[For more information, please visit the Skills Ready page.](#)

## 2020 WA Training Awards Winners

On October the 6<sup>th</sup> the 2020 WA Training Awards winners were announced. The winners will now be put forward to compete against nationally at the Australian Training Awards which will be a virtual celebration on 20 November 2020. ([Information from DTWD site.](#))

### 2020 WA APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR



#### **Bethany Clarke (Mount Pleasant)**

Bethany entered her apprenticeship through the [National Energy Technician Training Scheme \(NETTS\)](#), which is a collaboration involving multiple oil and gas companies.

She achieved her Certificate III in Process Plant Operations through apprenticeship arrangements with [Programmed](#) and [South Metropolitan TAFE](#).

### 2020 WA TRAINEE OF THE YEAR



#### **Cheyne Pearce (Ardross)**

Cheyne chose to study a [Certificate IV in Horticulture at North Metropolitan TAFE](#) in order to fulfil his passion to make a positive difference to our environment.

After starting a career as an air conditioning and refrigeration technician, he went on to do a Certificate II in Horticulture and Conservation Land Management. He then went on to study the Certificate IV and with it,

landed a position as a trainee at Kings Park and Botanic Gardens.

## 2020 WA VOCATIONAL STUDENT OF THE YEAR



### Trent Caldwell (Ballajura)

With a background in community services, advertising and art, Trent wanted to blend the skills learnt from these industries and embark on a journey to land his long-held ambition of a role in marketing.

After successfully completing a [Diploma of Marketing and Communication at North Metropolitan TAFE](#), Trent has landed his dream role as a Social Media Manager.

He manages the website, social media accounts and paid advertising campaigns for Near Me Real Estate.

## 2020 WA ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDENT OF THE YEAR



### Colleen Little (Wanneroo)

Colleen loves cars and has always been interested in the automotive field, so when the opportunity arose to complete a traineeship through [AMA Training Services at Motor Trade Association of Western Australia \(MTA WA\)](#), she leapt at the chance.

The Certificate III in Business allowed her to gain both on-the-job administrative experience, and knowledge of the automotive industry. She is now employed full time with MTA WA and her role allows her to help the next generation of tradespeople to commence their own careers.



## 2020 WA SCHOOL-BASED APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR



### Joel Pearson (Nagle College - Geraldton)

The arts industry is something which Joel has always been deeply passionate about, so after years of circus, dance and volunteering at events, he started up his own circus entertainment company.

A year of work placement encouraged Joel to further his training through a [Certificate III in Arts Administration at North Regional TAFE](#), which resulted in being selected to complete a Tour Coordinator Mentorship with regional arts industry leader, [CircuitWest](#).

## VET Scholarships 2021

This program provides scholarships of up to \$5,000 a year, for around 400 young Australians aged 15-24 years who undertake selected Certificate III to Advanced Diploma courses in 2021. Applicants must reside in the City of Wanneroo or City of Armadale (including Gosnells).

Find out which courses are eligible and how to apply: [joondalupjsc@nmtafe.wa.edu.au](mailto:joondalupjsc@nmtafe.wa.edu.au)

## University News

Here's the UWA content:

### UWA Application Help Days | 14 Dec, 21 Dec and 15 Jan

Registrations will open soon to book a session with our Future Students team to run through your application and the opportunities available to you. Check for updates here: [uwa.edu.au/study/EVENTS](https://uwa.edu.au/study/EVENTS)

### **Chat to a UWA student**

Don't forget that our UWA students are available to provide guidance and support during your exams. [Chat to a UWA student today.](#)

### **UWA Scholarships | Closing 1 November**

Find out about UWA scholarships that you could be eligible for here: [scholarships.uwa.edu.au](https://scholarships.uwa.edu.au)

### **UWA Principal's Citizenship Award | Principal Nominations due on 1 November**

This \$1500 award is to recognise outstanding Year 12 WACE students from all Western Australian schools, nominated by their Principal. [Find out more here.](#)

### **New Scholarship! | Perron Foundation Scholarship in Business**

There are 10 scholarships available for the new Bachelor of Business. Each scholarship is worth \$30,000, to assist students who have experienced Educational Disadvantage. More information about the Perron Foundation Scholarship can be found [here](#). Find out more about our new [Bachelor of Business](#).

### **School of Indigenous Studies | Updates for Indigenous students**

Registrations for [Year 8 Discovery Days](#) and [Year 9 Djinanginy Day](#) are now open. To raise students' aspirations for tertiary study, and break down some of the perceived barriers, students will experience the university environment, participate in interesting activities that showcase a variety of UWA courses, and meet Indigenous university students who are fantastic role models.

### **FREE Professional Development | Science Teachers**

Want to provide your students access to research grade technology whilst also covering curriculum points?

Our Education and Outreach team at [ICRAR](#) can help with a bespoke STEAM program that meets curriculum and educational needs. Email: [education@icrar.org](mailto:education@icrar.org) to schedule your online or in-person session.

Please let me know if this is too long.

**Engage**

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Good afternoon colleagues!

We hope are you all refreshed after school holidays and are geared up to finish off Term 4 nice and strong! With some beautiful weather headed our way this weekend, we hope you can all enjoy some time in the sun as we power through to the end of the year.

Highlights from this month's Murdoch Mail include:

- [Westpac Young Technologist scholarship](#) – **applications are closing on 22<sup>nd</sup> November for this \$15,000 school leavers' scholarship!** Students planning to study courses in a variety of disciplines (such as Games Art & Design, Photography, Forensic Biology and Toxicology, Biomedical, Engineering, Cyber Security and Forensics, Computer Science and [more](#)) are eligible to apply for this. Don't miss out!

- [Horizons Summer Programs Information Evening](#) – Yr12 students interested in using the HorizonsPlus university admission pathway or Yr11 students keen to attend this year's Horizons Summer School Program in January are encouraged to attend our information evening, either at our South Street Campus in person, or online. Register to reserve your place!
- [The New Murdoch Bachelor of Commerce](#) – Starting in 2021, Murdoch will now offer an accelerated Bachelor of Commerce which will allow students to graduate in just 2 years! This program was co-designed and will be co-delivered with industry experts and features a Professional Business Practice co-major, giving students real world experience while they complete their degree.

As the end of the year draws to a close, please reach out to us if you have any questions around 2020 bookings, or to start booking in your events for the 2021 calendar!

Have a great weekend



CQUniversity

## **24 NOVEMBER ONLINE CHAT SESSION**

CQUniversity has been steadily growing in Western Australia for the last few years. You can find out more about what they have to offer at this online chat





session. You can go to the CQUniversity [Facebook](#) page and ask questions during the session.

[Register](#) now to receive an SMS reminder when the Online Chat Session is about to start!

Thursday, 24th November 2020, 1 – 4 PM

## **19 DECEMBER NEED TO CHANGE YOUR COURSE PREFERENCE?**

Didn't get the ATAR you need or changed your mind about what course you want to study in 2021? Join our Change of Preference Online Chat Session to speak with our expert team and discover your options.

Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2020, 8 – 11 AM

## **ONGOING INFORMATION AND SUPPORT**

Get guidance on how to change your preferences and learn more about CQUni's alternative pathways by chatting to our team on the CQUniversity [Facebook](#) page.

## **Curtin Appoints New Vice Chancellor**



Professor Harlene Hayne ONZM has been appointed as Curtin's next Vice-Chancellor. She will commence in April 2021. Professor Hayne is currently the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Otago, New Zealand.

Professor Hayne has deep leadership experience, and this, combined with her visionary and values-based leadership style, has helped to build a strong and inclusive community at the University of Otago. This makes her an ideal appointment as Curtin's next Vice-Chancellor.

Read more [HERE](#).

## Year 12 News

### TISC Applications

Although Early Bird applications have closed, you can still apply for university through TISC after 30 September. Application fees apply. To apply for university for 2021 go [HERE](#).

**TISC**

Students wishing to apply for Notre Dame need to apply [HERE](#).

## Year 11 News

### Whirlpool

Whirlpool is a social media site primarily aimed at techie things but I use it to ask questions about students views on different courses at different unis.

It is social media, so take what information you get with a grain of salt and there is often a lot of rubbish there. A person who says a course is terrible, may have just got a lousy mark for an assignment.

I have just looked at [Year 11 student considering engineering](#). It is worth knowing about Whirlpool is you don't have an expert to ask.

## Myer Christmas Casual Work

Myer is looking for casuals to work in the Service and Selling Team and in the Online Fulfilment Team over the Christmas break. For details go [here](#).

## Overseas Study Information Sessions

Crimson Education is a UK company that arranges for Australian students to study at overseas universities.

They have 3 information webinars coming up soon:

### [The UK Application Explained | Oct 24](#)

In this webinar, hosted by a Crimson UK Strategy Consultant and Oxford and LSE graduate, Abbigail Colwyn, we will take you through each stage of the UK application process from the fundamentals through to in-depth insights.

### [Ivy League Face-Off: Harvard vs Princeton vs UPenn | Oct 25](#)

Looking to study at a prestigious Ivy League university in the US? Join Maddie (Harvard student), Seyoon (Princeton student) and Nathan (UPenn student) as they provide insight into what life is like on campus and why their universities are at the forefront of the world.

### [Oxbridge Face-Off: Cambridge vs Oxford | Nov 1](#)

Looking to study at top UK universities Oxford or Cambridge? Join Moana (Oxford student) and Pao (Cambridge student) as they provide insight into what life is like on campus and why their universities are at the forefront of the world.

## Year 10 News

### 10 October – 16 November Biosecurity Blitz

The aim is to discover, photograph and record as many interesting or damaging pests as possible (e.g. weeds, insects, animals, and diseases) while raising community awareness about the importance of biosecurity in our daily lives.

You can join in as an individual, a family or a school group. Check details [HERE](#).



## 20 November ChemDay 2020

Join us for an inspirational, immersive science day at the [ChemCentre](#). ChemDay is packed with science careers information, hands-on chemistry investigations and unique opportunities to meet scientists one-on-one for your own Q&A sessions.

Find more details and register [HERE](#).

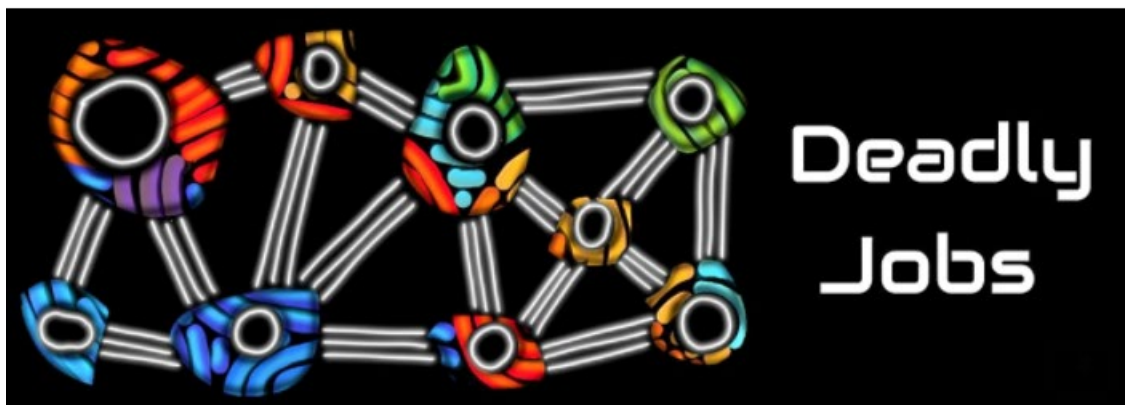
## Aboriginal News

### Jobs at Compass

[Compass](#) has a long history of supporting Aboriginal people into work. Their diversity and inclusion strategies have built strong understanding of the culture of different regions. They are [currently advertising lots of positions](#) in the hospitality industry. If you are Aboriginal, or if you are interested in supporting Aboriginal people into careers it could be worth contacting them [HERE](#).



## Deadly Jobs



Please subscribe to Nate Sturts newsletter for weekly job opportunities for Aboriginal students, including designated apprenticeship and traineeship opportunities.

Email: [Nate.Stuart@smtafe.wa.edu.au](mailto:Nate.Stuart@smtafe.wa.edu.au) to subscribe.

## National Indigenous Business Summer School

### APPLICATIONS CLOSE 9 NOVEMBER

The National Indigenous Business Summer School Western Australia (NIBSSWA) is a Perth-based camp offering Year 11 and 12 Indigenous students the opportunity to be involved in a weeklong, immersive experience in studying business at university.

For more information, please visit [curtin.edu/nibsswa-2021](http://curtin.edu/nibsswa-2021) or contact:

Kat Clements and Megan Le Clus @ Curtin University

P: 9266 9904 E: [NIBSSWA@curtin.edu.au](mailto:NIBSSWA@curtin.edu.au)

# Disability News

## RRR News

### Regional Jobs and Skills News



[Our Resource.com.au](http://Our.Resource.com.au) brings together information from the different regional [Jobs and Skills](#) Centres.

In some towns, where there was already a good service, the State Government contracted those organisations to add Jobs and Skills services to their menu. They have come together to share information on this site.

If you want to know training and employment news in your region, go to [Our Resource](#).

## Opportunities

[Regional Traineeship Program](#)

# Blog Posts @ [Infocus-careers.com.au](https://infocus-careers.com.au)

## School Leavers #WorkandWander



Employers have been contacting me to spread that word that they are looking for workers.

The State government has pitched in with travel and accommodation subsidies

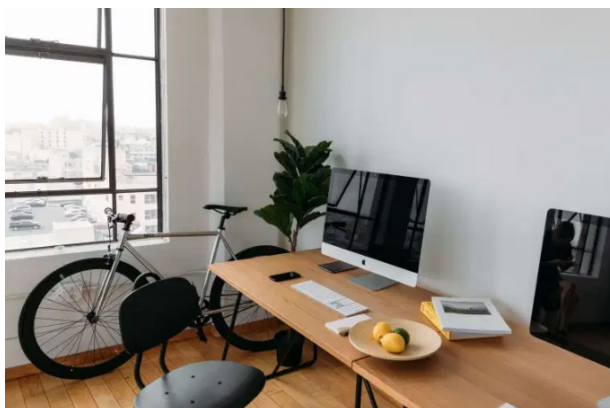
Many jobs harvesting are now up on the [Harvest Trail Facebook](#) page.

The pay seems to be just over \$24/hour and that's a casual rate. You need to be 16 to apply.

Find the post [HERE](#).

## Which Uni Accommodation is Best for You

Curtin and Notre Dame have updated their information about student accommodation. No doubt there will be good deals for those who choose to stay at uni accommodation in 2021. You can find the updated information [HERE](#).





## Be So Good They Can't Ignore You

This infographic identifies tips on how to build your career capital.

It provides some simple tips on steps to take that will smooth their future career path.

Students can identify their own actions against each of the 5 suggestions.

## Year 10 Magic Happens "To Do" List

This provides a clear visual guide to the Year 10 Magic Happens Careers Handbook.

Students can see what they need to do on each step of their career development path.





# Section 2: For Insanely Great Careers Professionals

## Events



### 22 October How Sustainability Impacts on the VET Sector Webinar

In this webinar, we will discuss how sustainability already impacts the VET sector and the role it might play in the future of work. Panellists: Laura Schweizer from AATIS, Ben Bardon from the National Australian Apprenticeships Association, and Shayne La Combre from the Plumbing Industry Climate Action Centre

Send through any questions for our panellists to [contact@aatiss.com.au](mailto:contact@aatiss.com.au). Register [HERE](#).

### 22-24 October SkillsWest Careers Expo

You will need to book in your school. School groups can attend until 1pm

Find details [HERE](#).

### 26 – 30 October Women in Technology WA Conference

#### STUDENT DISCOUNT

**Are you a University, TAFE or School Student? If yes, then we want to hear from you!**

The inspirational women at WITWA have put together this conference which will stimulate all those who are love technology. WITWA is offering discounts for school, TAFE and uni students.

#### DAME STEPHANIE SHIRLEY IS THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER

...who founded a software programming business staffed entirely by women working from home. In 1962. She signed her letters 'Steve' so



prospective clients didn't know Freelance Programmers was headed and run by women.

That business grew to employ over 8,500 people and was worth \$3 billion at its peak. In a move we would class as 'capitalism done right', Dame Stephanie gave away a major part of her shareholding to her employees, making 70 of them millionaires. She built this business while raising and caring for her severely autistic son.

You can check out the program and speakers

[HERE](#).

Send an email from your student account to

[Tina@witwa.org.au](mailto:Tina@witwa.org.au) and make sure the subject

line reads WiTWA [+] Virtual Conference 2020 - **Student Discount**. Then request your student discount code in the email and include your first name and surname.

Once you have your discount code jump online and book your ticket using your discount code here <https://bit.ly/2H32b5g>



## 27 October CDAA Zoom Community of Practice Meeting

The CDAA Zoom CoP catch up. These are casual and fun. It is good to hear the issues that people around the state are dealing with.

Register [HERE](#).

## 11 November The Careers Department

[The Careers Department](#) is an interactive platform for students to discover industries, build skills and plan their post-school pathway. It provides career practitioners with a platform that engages and connects with students.



You can register for the webinar [HERE](#).

## 11 November CDAA Breakfast

We are a friendly and eclectic group.

Just 10 people in October, including photographer and organiser, Lisa Laing.



The group included people from Curtin, North and South Metro TAFEs, private consultants and government service providers.

We meet at Dome in East Vic Park at 7am. You can park for free behind the Balmoral. We like to let Dome know how many are coming so you can register [HERE](#).

## 12 November Forest Industry Careers Tour - Albany

Leschenault Timber Industry Club and the [Forest Industry Federation](#) want to raise the awareness of the many career pathways available.

This tour has been a great success with visits to sites, talks from experts, and the tour that was run earlier this year had students in the industry talk to participants while they were traveling on the bus.



Leschenault Timber Industry Club in association with FIFWA (Forest Industries Federation of WA) and proudly supported by SIDE RTO

To secure your place, contact: Wayne Wilson – School Relationships Officer SIDE RTO

E [wayne.wilson2@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:wayne.wilson2@education.wa.edu.au) M 0436 941 087 T 08 9311 1460

## 14 – 28 November Girls' Tech Day

Girls' Tech Day is a free event designed to inspire and empower girls and young women ages 8-24 to pursue interest and careers in technology.

This is another event that I don't think we would know about if it wasn't for Kim Flintoff at Learning Futures Network.

They are currently **seeking expressions of interest** from potential Girls Tech Day activity partners. You can contact *Adrian J L Rhodes* Director - Inspiring the Future *Australia*  
M: 0437 176 689 [Linkedin URL](#)

## 9 December CDAA Christmas Get Together

Everyone is invited to our Christmas get together.

You don't need to be a CDAA member or even a Christian to come to this Christmas celebration. It is a great time to put names and faces together and congratulate each other for getting through a year to remember!!

You can register on the [CDAA Events page](#).

# Opportunities

## Book Your Defence Manufacturing Jobs - School Visit

A dedicated defence industry team is to be established at Rockingham Jobs and Skills Centre to undertake defence industry manufacturing opportunities promotion across all schools.

Although this isn't in place yet, you could get in early and book your school visit by going to the Rockingham Jobs and Skills Centre page, [HERE](#).

## ChemCentre Lab Tours and Incursions

Year 11/12 student groups are invited to tour our world-class forensic and analytical laboratories at the ChemCentre's Bentley laboratories. The tour will give students an insight into a future career in chemistry, the opportunity to meet 'real life' chemists and explore their workplace.

ChemCentre services also include school incursions. Check the services available [HERE](#).

## **Opportunities**

### **World Skills Australian Skills Ambassadors**

Apprentices and Trainees who have excelled in World Skills competitions are available for school visits. Information about the service is to be moved to the new National Careers Institute site but it is currently available [HERE](#).

### **North Metro TAFE Career Events Bookings**

Our commitment to assisting your secondary students prepare for their post-school career choices, or to select upper-school subjects will continue in 2021. Due to high demand of schools booking careers expos, parent information sessions, presentations and tours of NMTAFE, we suggest [emailing us with your request](#) before 2 December 2020.  
[schools@nmtafe.wa.edu.au](mailto:schools@nmtafe.wa.edu.au)

## **Research**

### **5 ways for the workforce to survive the pandemic and thrive beyond it**

[From World Economic Forum](#)

The World Economic Forum has identified 5 emerging workplace survival elements:

1. Employee Safety and Wellbeing – this has taken on a new urgency during COVID.
2. Cross-training, upskilling and professional development
3. Technology adoption to increase agility
4. Continuation of remote work – this initiative now includes the consideration of the wellbeing of family

5. Organizational communication and visibility – this has become more formalised and explicit to accommodate isolated employees.

You can read the full report [here](#).

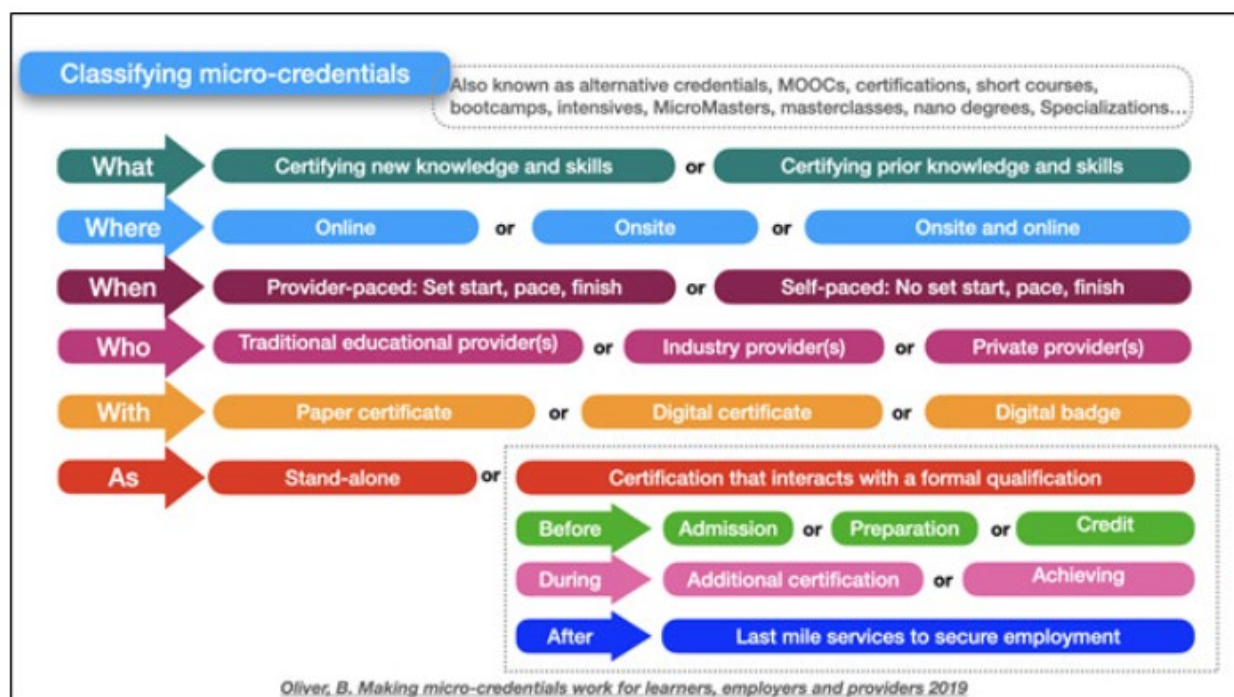
## Why the Fuss About Micro-Credentials?

*Everyone, even governments, seem to be excited about micro-credentials. But what are they and why is there so much interest?*

In the latest CDAA [Career Panorama blog post](#), Beverley Oliver explores whether they really can help careers flourish post-COVID, and if so, what learners should look for. She says that

*... another recent development is that micro-credentials are credit-bearing: this means that they may be the admissions mechanism to a formal qualification, or they may even earn credit towards one.*

The image below shows some of the possibilities when we try to classify micro-credentials.



You can read the full article [HERE](#). The information is drawn from [a full report](#) on the disruption caused by microcredentialing called [Making micro-credentials work for learners, employers and providers](#).



# Resources

## Groundbreaking Initiative from FYA - Learning Creates Australia

Things have been quiet at FYA. Now they have formed a collaboration with PwC and the Paul Ramsay foundation and [produced this](#).

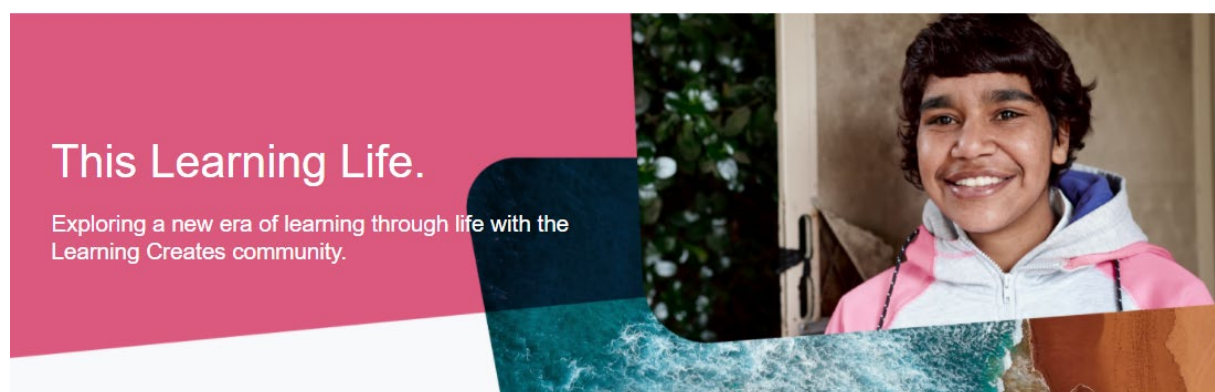
The [Learning Creates Australia](#) initiative is aiming to unlock several solutions around new metrics that will be a better currency for recognising learning.

*We will build a trusted and well-endorsed approach to recognising learning that will strengthen and increase agency in young people and help them to effectively navigate and access a range of pathways beyond school.*

*We envisage one recognition system with many pathways.*

It will compliment the work being done by the initiatives like the [Learning Futures Network](#) in WA and the award winning [P-Tech Program](#) being done by Cecil Andrews. It is also consistent with the mounting discomfort of the ATAR system.

This is an interesting development in the light of the [Micro-Credential work](#) being done by Beverly Oliver (See article in Research section above).



## Important Change impacting on Year 11 Counselling

### *Increased points for VET qualifications in TAFE admissions process for competitive entry into fulltime courses*

*On the basis of feedback from schools, the Department has been involved in a review of the points awarded for the completed AQF qualifications component of the TAFE Admissions competitive entry into fulltime courses guide.*

*Adjustments have been made to the point scores awarded to qualifications completed, particularly at Certificate II and III level. The implication of the changes for school students is that school leavers who completed a VET qualification during their education remain competitive compared to applicants that have not completed a qualification.*

*Specifically, the points awarded for a completed:*

- Certificate III into a Certificate II, or a Certificate III full time course has increased from 45 points to 60 points;*
- Certificate II into another Certificate II full time course has increased from 30 points to 60 points;*
- Certificate II into a Certificate III full time course has increased from 30 points to 50 points;*
- Certificate II into a Certificate IV full time course has increased from 25 points to 30 points; and*
- Certificate I into a Certificate II full time course has increased from 20 points to 30 points.*

*The 2020 Guide is being implemented for Semester 1 2021 intake which opened on 14 September 2020, to provide current Year 11 students access to the revised point scores for entry to competitive courses.*

**[ACCESS TO THE UPDATED ADMISSIONS GUIDE CAN BE FOUND HERE](#)**

A new support guide, complete with scenarios and advice, will be available on the *TAFE Admissions Full Time Studies Guide* website shortly <https://www.fulltimecourses.tafe.wa.edu.au/>

**Thanks to Vicki Masters from SIDE for sending through this information.**



# The Knitting

## Oh, Come On!! Dawn Needs Our Help before 30 October

Dawn is one of us. She is the one who has been sending in information from Curtin about how to help disadvantaged kids.

She has been trying to get responses to her survey on disadvantaged secondary students. So far, they have only had less than 80 responses nationally!!

She wants us to answer a short Survey (10 – 20 minutes to complete) so that she can gather information from careers advisors and teachers from any schools, but especially those in rural and low SES areas.

Please help her out. You can find the survey [here](#).

## Year 10 Magic Happens Handbook and Teachers' Guide

I have finished the 2021 Magic Happens Handbook for Students and the Teachers' Guide. I will send them out via Dropbox as PDFs. If you would like a Word version let me know

## 2021 Calendar

I have finished the 2021 Calendar and will get that to in the next few days.

# Section 3: Calendar 2020

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University

VET

Ideas & Opportunities

Professional Events

## OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18	19 <a href="#">SkillHire PreApprenticeship Starts</a>	20	21 <a href="#">ECU SW Drop In</a>	22 <a href="#">SkillsWest Careers Expo</a> <a href="#">ECU Drop In</a> <a href="#">VET Webinar</a> <a href="#">Forestry Day Bunbury</a>	23 <a href="#">SkillsWest Careers Expo</a>	24 <a href="#">SkillsWest Careers Expo</a> <a href="#">Social Media in Careers</a>
25	26	27 <a href="#">CDAA CoP Zoom meeting</a> <a href="#">Murdoch Parent Night</a>	28	29 <a href="#">Murdoch Horizons Info</a> <a href="#">ECU Drop In</a>	30	31

## NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 <a href="#">SkillHire PreApprenticeship</a>	3	4 <a href="#">Robocup State Finals</a>	5 <a href="#">SheCodes</a>	6 Check closing dates for scholarships	7
8	9	10 <a href="#">WAAPA Production Tour</a>	11 <a href="#">Teacher Education Eventing ECU SW</a> <a href="#">CDAA Breakfast</a>	12 <a href="#">ECU SW Drop-In</a> Forest Industry Day	13 <a href="#">Curtin Rural Medical School Scholarship closes</a>	14 <a href="#">Girls Tech Day</a>
15	16	17 <a href="#">ECU UniPrep SW</a>	18 <a href="#">ECU SW Science Info Evening</a>	19	20 <a href="#">National Training Awards</a>	21
22	23	24 <a href="#">All things ECU Info Evening</a> <a href="#">CDAA CoP Zoom Meeting</a> <a href="#">Murdoch Parent Hour of Power</a> <a href="#">SkillHire PreApprenticeship Starts</a>	25	26	27	28
29	30					

## DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <a href="#">ECU Info Session</a>	2	3	4 <a href="#">TAFE First Round Enrolments Close</a>	5
6	7 <a href="#">UWA Campus Tour</a>	8	9 <a href="#">ECU Info Session SW CQU Excellent Health program applications close</a> <a href="#">CDAA Christmas Catchup Balmoral</a> <a href="#">Sonography Info</a>	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 	26 
27	28	29	30 			

**JANUARY 2021**

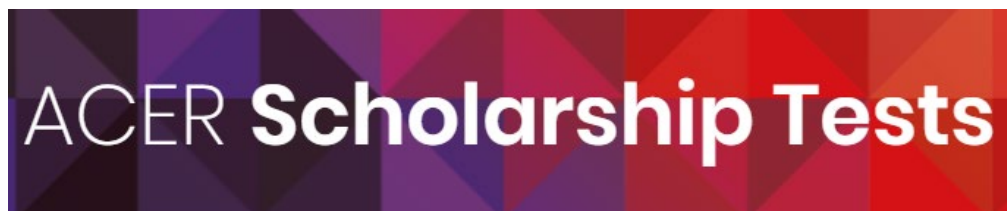
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3 National Youth Science Forum starts  <u>Murdoch Horizons Summer School Starts</u>	4 <u>Round 2 TAFE offers Close</u>	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

**School starts 3 February 2021**

**2019 Section1: Students and Families**

**Career News**

**Applications Open for 2021 Primary and Secondary Scholarships**



The ACER Scholarship Tests are academic ability tests used to select primary and secondary students for scholarships to participating independent schools.

The dates for the tests for the 2021 academic year are now available. Independent schools choose a testing date that best suits their needs.

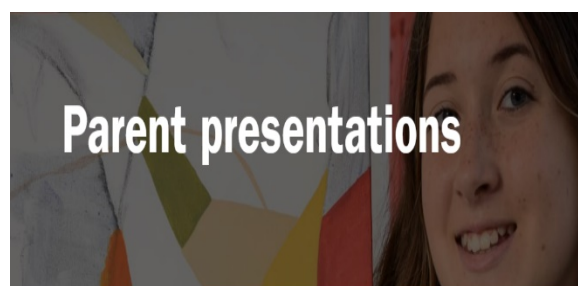
There are primary and secondary school scholarships.

You can see a list of West Australian schools [HERE](#)

To find out more about the scholarships, test dates and alternative test dates [HERE](#)

## Applications Open for Gifted and Talented Program 2021

Your child can discover a world of opportunities in the West Australian Education Department [Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs](#).



There are presentations about the program being conducted NOW. You can find details [HERE](#).

[Apply now for entry in 2021](#). Applications close Sunday 9 February 2020.

## Jobs Outlook

The [Jobs Outlook site](#) provides information that helps you to explore:

- where the jobs are,
- job tasks,
- future prospects,

- training pathways,
- pay.

The Career Quiz can help you to understand your work preferences and explore career options suited to your interests.

[Job Outlook](#) also now makes it easier to discover how to get job ready. It provides easy-to-understand information about:

- which qualifications workers need or typically have
- registration and licensing requirements
- links to useful job specific resources and study and training options.

☒ Explore by State
 ☐ Explore by Region
 ☐ Explore by Electorate

SELECT A STATE	LABOUR MARKET	LARGEST JOBS	GROWING JOBS	SKILLS DEMAND	PROJECTIONS
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## Rotary Youth Exchange Australia

Applications are open for the [Rotary Youth Exchange](#) program for 2021.

Senior high school students are selected by their Rotary district as an ambassador of Australia. The student travels to another country where they live and go to school for a year.

A host Rotary family in your selected country becomes your host family.

This is a remarkable experience.





You can discover more [HERE](#).

## STEM Grants

Regional areas are the big winners of the State government \$\$\$ provided to encourage West Australian kids to engage in STEM.



Other target groups include women, Aboriginal people and people with CALD backgrounds.

These programs are being set up now and will be up and running in early 2020.

## The Funded Projects

**City of Belmont (\$21,896) for 'Film It!!'** – Use filmmaking to create interest and participation in STEM among culturally and linguistically diverse, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and/or low SES youth (13-21 years).

*Nothing up yet. Try the [Council Facebook page](#) for information*

**City of Bunbury (\$30,000) for the Bunbury Library Makerspace** – Increase skills and awareness in science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) through fun and engaging events and a regional STEAM network in the City of Bunbury.

*More information [HERE](#)*

**Fire Tech Camp Australia Pty Ltd (\$147,007) for the Wirrpanda STEM Indigenous Program** – Spark interest and engagement with digital and technology literacy among Aboriginal teenagers in Port Hedland and Perth through boot camps and after-school programs.

Contact [FireTech](#) or the [Wirrapanda Foundation](#) for information.

**Peel Bright Minds (\$49,197) for the Peel Bright Minds Program** – Increase regional teachers' capabilities in digital and technology education through a supportive teachers' network, and promote STEM careers to young people via industry tours to innovative local businesses.

Try [Peel Bright Minds Facebook page](#) for information.

**Shire of Murray (\$30,000) for Murray STEM Futures** – Provide out-of-school-hours opportunities for young people (particularly girls) and others in the community to increase their digital and technology skills via a series of free workshops and lendable coding and robotics kits in the Shire of Murray.

Try [Shire of Murray](#) for more information.

**SpaceCubed (\$210,000) for She Codes** – Support and encourage digital and technological entrepreneurship among women by combining networking opportunities and one-week intensive and six-month coding courses in regional WA and Perth.

Try [SheCodes](#) for information.

**Winyama Pty Ltd (\$70,000) for the Indigenous Mapping Workshop** – Increase digital and technology skills in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in regional WA through digital mapping technology training and providing insight into geospatial technology as a valid career pathway.

Try [Winyama](#) for more information.

**Women in Technology WA (\$179,900) for the Techtrails [tech+] Future Skills Program** –



Techtrails has been promoting its services through the In-Focus Careers Newsletter for ages.

It has won a grant to expand the delivery of the Techtrails [tech+] Future Skills Program to remote, regional and outer metropolitan schools, encouraging secondary students, especially girls, to participate in STEM and make innovative career choices.

A Mobile Virtual Reality unit will also be used to further engage students in this program.

Try [Techtrails](#) for more information

# Training News

## Events

### 13 November South Metropolitan TAFE - Tourism and Events Information Evening

A Tourism and Events Information Evening will be held at Fremantle Campus of SMTAFE. You will learn about:

- Career pathways
- Course content
- Employment opportunities

You can speak to lecturer and have your questions answered.



5.30 pm Wednesday 13 November

Maritime Campus, 1 Fleet Street Fremantle

For more information contact [Tiffany.Young@smtafe.wa.edu.au](mailto:Tiffany.Young@smtafe.wa.edu.au) or go to the Facebook page [HERE](#)



## 6 December Applications close for rail focused careers

As public and private investment continues to grow in the rail industry, demand for skilled workers will increase. METRONET will need 3,000+ skilled workers at the peak of the project. To meet this demand, in 2020 the North Metro TAFE Midland campus will transform into the METRONET Trade Training Centre.

There will be a variety of courses in [manufacturing and maintenance](#) to students interested in trades and technical pathways. Applications to study these courses in Semester 1, 2020 close on Friday 6 December 2019 – [apply HERE](#).

### News

## COURSE FEES REDUCED FOR 2020—21

From 1 January 2020 through to 31 December 2021, you'll pay only half of the standard course fees for 34 specially selected priority qualifications.

Your course fees will be capped so that the maximum you'll pay each year for your qualification will be \$1,200, or only \$400 if you're aged 15—24 or eligible for a concession.

Follow the links to find out more.

- [What qualifications are half price?](#)
- [Find a qualification near you](#)
- [View the full \*Lower fees, local skills\* qualifications list](#)
- [What kind of jobs could these qualifications lead to?](#)

- What will the discounted course fees be?

Future jobs will be in areas such as allied health and social assistance, defence, science, technology and education, and on big projects like MetroNet.

(This information is from <https://www.jobsandskills.wa.gov.au/lowerfees>)

## You can't double dip – VET in schools subject choices

If you do a Certificate III or IV at school, you can't do the same qualification again as a traineeship.

Clearly students don't understand that they may be cutting their options by choosing a VET qualification that they may want to take as a traineeship or pre-apprenticeship when they leave school.

**EXAMPLE:** If you do a Certificate III in Business at school you cannot then apply for a Certificate III in Business traineeship when you finish school.

Students are going to the [Australian Apprentice Support Network](#) providers (the ones that provide information and advice about the apprenticeship and traineeships) wanting a traineeship or pre apprenticeship when they have already done the qualification at school. Those applicants cannot be offered a position in that field.

VET in schools provides students with options to broaden their horizons, but they can also limit the choice of courses taken after school.

You may not know that students and lecturers from North Metro TAFE work on the production.

## Apprentices and Trainees

### South Metropolitan TAFE How to become an apprentice or trainee Part 1

An apprenticeship or traineeship may be the best option for you. But how do you begin?

South Metropolitan TAFE has put together [this handy guide](#).



### Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service (AATIS) Information

At the AATIS site you can find out about apprenticeships and traineeships in Australia.

- You can discover job descriptions across thousands of jobs [HERE](#).
- There is a career interests explorer [HERE](#).
- There are jobs pathways charts that show where a job can lead [HERE](#).
- You can do a literacy and numeracy quiz to see if you have the skills required. These are available for each industry [HERE](#).

You can ring the AATIS on Free Call:1800 338 022 for information and advice.

### Positions in Electrical Pre-Apprenticeships for Females

The College of Electrical Trades is committed to increasing the number of females in the electrical sector.

Positions are available for the electrical pre-apprenticeships in 2020.

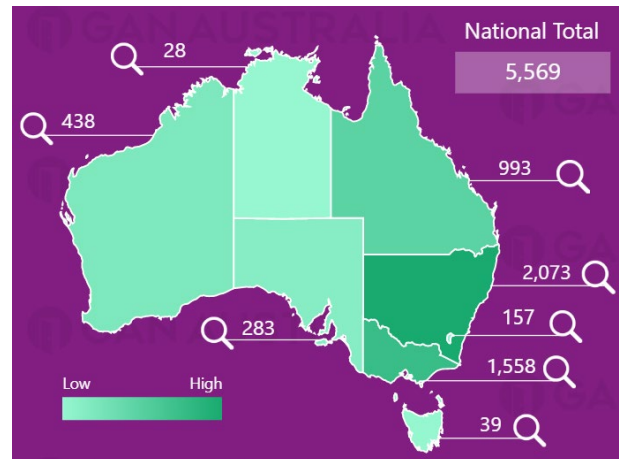


For information go to [College of Electrical Training](#).

## Research

### Apprenticeship Vacancy Index

An interactive infographic by GAN Australia showing the number of advertised apprenticeship and traineeship job vacancies. [Click on the respective states and get quick stats](#), the top ten industries and occupations. Find information [HERE](#).



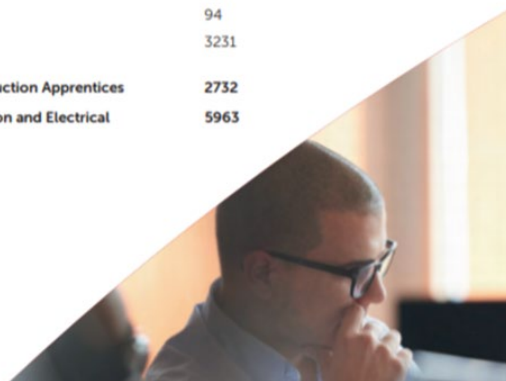


## Construction Training Fund Snapshot

### Apprentices in Training

The following chart shows the number of apprentices 'In Training' as at the end of June 2019.

Industry Area	# of Apprentices
Bricklaying	114
Carpenter	7
Carpentry and Joinery	977
Concreter	17
Painter and Decorator	234
Plastering	49
Plumbing and Gasfitting	925
Roof Plumbing	103
Roof Tiling	13
Wall and Ceiling Fixing	110
Tilelaying	94
Electrical	3231
<b>Total Building and Construction Apprentices</b>	<b>2732</b>
<b>Total Building, Construction and Electrical Apprentices</b>	<b>5963</b>



The [CTF 2019 Industry Snapshot](#) has been published. It is a story of swings and roundabouts.

Numbers have gone down in construction but up in resources.

Construction numbers are down but electrical is given as a separate item and numbers are up.

The Snapshot gives a good quick overview of the state of the

industry in WA over the past year.

You can find it [HERE](#).

## Completion Rates for Group Training Organisations and Direct Employers: how do they compare?

This is interesting.

Apprentices and trainees employed via a Group Training Organisation are more likely to complete their qualifications than those employed directly by small and medium sized businesses. This is according to newly published NCVER research.

## Completion rates for group training organisations and direct employers: how do they compare?

Lisel O'Dwyer and Patrick Korbel  
National Centre for Vocational Education Research



Group Training Organisations have been going for a long time and have lots of experience providing pastoral care and ongoing support to apprentices and trainees. I guess they know what to look for and how to swing in to support apprentices and trainees when they look at risk.

There are a range of factors that have been considered. You can read the report [HERE](#).

# University News

## 26 November ECU Information Evening Mt Lawley

ECU information Evenings introduce you to our wide range of courses and the excellent support services you can expect as a student. We'll cover course admission pathways, how to apply, fees and scholarships, and flexible study options like online or part-time.

Bring family or friends and explore the campus and our great facilities.

Register [HERE](#).

## 4 December ECU Information Evening Joondalup

ECU information Evenings introduce you to our wide range of courses and the excellent support services you can expect as a student. We'll cover course admission pathways, how to apply, fees and scholarships, and flexible study options like online or part-time.

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## 11 December CQUniversity Medical Sonography or Echocardiography Applications Close

Thinking about applying for Medical Sonography or Echocardiography at CQUniversity Perth? Applications for these courses close on the 11<sup>th</sup> December for Term 1, 2020 intake.

Applications for CQUniversity can be made for free. Apply [HERE](#)

## 19 December CQUniversity Change of Preference Drop-in Session

Didn't get the ATAR you thought you would or changed your mind about what course you want to study in 2020? We're here to help you make the right choices.

Drop into campus and have a chat with our team about your options.

When: Thursday, 19 December 2019, 1 - 5 PM

Where: CQUniversity Perth

10 William St, Perth WA 6000

Register [HERE](#).

## UWA Engineering Scholarship

For entry into the Engineering Direct Pathway the ATAR requirement is 80.

Students can complete a Master of Professional Engineering through any one of UWA's five bachelor's degrees, provided Engineering Science is one of their majors.

For example, a student could graduate with a Bachelor of Commerce with Engineering Science as their second major and then go on to complete a Master of Professional Engineering. The UWA course structure, which has been developed in consultation with industry, gives students the ability to explore their passions and opens opportunities in their future career.

Students who choose the Engineering Direct Pathway at UWA as their first preference and have an ATAR of 96 or above, may be eligible for a scholarship of up to \$25,000. No application required.


Find out more [HERE](#).

## Year 12 News



### Dates from SCSA for WACE Students

This information is taken directly from the School Curriculum Standards Authority [HERE](#).

30 October – 19 November	ATAR course written examinations.
21 November	Last day for completed sickness/misadventure application forms to be received by the Authority.
18 December	 Year 12 students' results available online via the Authority's student portal.
January 2020	In mid-January 2020 login to the Authority's student portal to print your folio of achievement for 2019.

## Year 11 News

### CQUniversity

Going into year 11 or 12 next year? Get a taste of what studying at uni is like with Start Uni Now (SUN)

If you are getting an average B grade and would like to experience studying university units, get a sneak peek into tertiary studies with SUN which will help you transition from high school to university. Some subjects can also provide credits for your WACE.

Applications for studying SUN in Term 1, 2020 must be in by Friday, 14 February 2020.

View our [SUN brochure](#) online for more information!

### Online Chat Session

Have any questions about CQUniversity, join our team on Facebook on:

- Tuesday, 26 November, 1 – 4 pm
- Saturday, 14 December, 6 – 11 am
- Monday, 16 December, 7 – 11 am

[Register](#) for an Online Chat Session to receive updates and instructions on how to join.

## 2020: Murdoch Horizons Year 12 Summer School Applications are now open!

Applications will be received until Friday 13th December 2019.

If you are a current year 11 student interested in exploring new perspectives and learning strategies and knowledge for year 12 you are encouraged to apply.

### Horizon Program Dates

Monday 6 January to Friday 24 January 2020

Classes will run between 9:30am and 4pm on the Murdoch Perth Campus.

### Cost

The cost of the program is **\$450**

Fully funded scholarships are available to equity students and students from [Murdoch RISE Schools](#).

### Eligibility

There are no pre-requisites.

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### How to apply

Submit your application online

- [http://murdochlearn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_cAaJXKd60YcoCLX](http://murdochlearn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cAaJXKd60YcoCLX)

For more information go [HERE](#).

## Year 10 and Middle School News

**15 & 22 November North Metro TAFE Launch Pad for  
15+ Year Old's**

Specially designed for students aged 15-17, Launch Pad is a program for young people to come together on their learning journey and find a path that suits them.

Tests and interviews for the 2020 intake take place on Friday 15 and 22 November for both the Career Start and Study Start streams. Students must be 15 years of age by June 30, 2020 to apply for these programs.

For more information go [HERE](#).

## Aboriginal News

### 28 November Year 9 UWA Djinanginy



Djinanginy (A Noongar word which means looking) is an opportunity for Year 9 students to experience what it's like to be a UWA student for a day.

For more information go to [Year 9 Djinanginy](#)

For more information about other UWA School of Indigenous Studies Outreach Programs please click [here](#).



## Year 8 Discovery Days

Year 8 students can attend one of five Discovery Days which are held in late November each year. Students will have a one-day experience to introduce students to the university environment through a diverse range of hands-on activities at different departments on campus. This could include testing someone's athletic ability like an AFL talent scout, applying plaster to a forearm like a doctor or working out what minerals are used to make a car like a geologist. Information will be sent to schools in Term 3. If you are a teacher that would like information about registering students for this program, please email [outreach-sis@uwa.edu.au](mailto:outreach-sis@uwa.edu.au).

For more information go [HERE](#).

## UWA School of Indigenous Studies Excursion Programs

The UWA SIS school excursion programs allow students to enjoy a broad range of hands-on activities and meet Indigenous students currently studying at UWA.

The programs are free for Indigenous students to participate.

Tours provide high school students with a great opportunity to meet Indigenous university students who as role models can discuss the various aspects of university life.

Schools are welcome to view the facilities and resources available to students at SIS anytime of the year. Excursions normally take two to three hours and are best suited to mornings. Places of interest to visit on campus include Winthrop Hall, the [Sport and Recreation Centre](#), [Residential Colleges](#), Lecture Theatres, [Guild Village](#) and Prospective Students Office. Visits to individual departments to do activities can also be arranged.

## STEM Grants

Aboriginal people are among the big winners of the State government \$\$\$ provided to encourage West Australian kids to engage in STEM.



These programs are being set up now.

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## Jobs and Skills Centre support

If you're an Aboriginal person looking to get into training, find employment or further your career there is a range of culturally sensitive training, employment and career support services available to assist you.

Your local Jobs and Skills Centre has experience helping Aboriginal jobseekers in Western Australia choose a training course or find their career path and employment.

## FOR INDIVIDUALS AND JOBSEEKERS

Are you thinking about doing some study, or a training course, and wondering what your options are? Maybe you're trying to choose your path – wondering what kind of job or career you should go for. Or are you a jobseeker, looking for work?

The following quick links will take you directly to useful information and resources.

- [Figure out how to choose your path, and read other people's stories](#)
- [Need to skill up with some training? Find out what options are out there](#)
- [Get help with your CV or resumé, writing job applications and going for job interviews](#)
- [Check out the free Aboriginal services jobs board, and see if there's something for you there](#)

You can also [browse through the Jobs and Careers section of this website](#).

[Find your local Jobs and Skills Centre](#)

[Call your nearest Jobs and Skills Centre 13 64 64](#)

## ABORIGINAL SERVICES JOBS BOARD

Jobs and Skills Centres work with employers all over Western Australia to find employment opportunities for Aboriginal people, and post them on the Aboriginal services jobs board.

[Check out the Aboriginal services jobs board](#)

Boost to Aboriginal employment opportunities in the Goldfields



Carey Mining, the Australian Aboriginal Mining Academy (AAMA) and Curtin University are to work with the State government to establish an Aboriginal Mining Academy, offering Aboriginal vocational training and employment pathways unique to Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

Earlier this year, Carey Mining received a \$166,980 McGowan Government Regional Economic Development Grant to undertake a study on current and future education and training needs of the Goldfields resources sector, a first step towards establishing an Aboriginal Mining Academy. The study is underway and will be completed by March 2020.

## Disability News

### Tuesdays 12 November to 17 December FASD Training

Online Zoom training sessions FASD 6 pm – 7.30 pm AEST- 6 sessions

- *Understanding the impact of FASD.*
- *Interventions and strategies that work with individuals and families*
- *Self-care, parental survival, managing stress, building family strengths and resilience*
- *Dealing with systems of education, health, welfare and justice*
- *Accessing supports and getting on with professionals*

Contact: 1800 860 613 to register your interest

## Disability Programs courses for 2020

NMTAFE offers a range of [specialist programs](#) for people with an intellectual or learning disability or mental health condition at our Leederville and Joondalup campuses. The programs include additional support such as; workplace literacy and numeracy, workplace requirements and job seeking skills, introduction to computing, tutorial support and a structured work placement. Students need to attend only one interview, even if they are interested in more than one course.

To book an interview simply go to [programs for people with a disability](#) click and click [book interview](#).

## RRR News

### 5 December ECU Information Evening Bunbury

ECU information Evenings introduce you to our wide range of courses and the excellent support services you can expect as a student. We'll cover course admission pathways, how to apply, fees and scholarships, and flexible study options like online or part-time. Bring family or friends and explore the campus and our great facilities.

Register [HERE](#).

### 12 December Notre Dame Broome Diploma of Nursing Information Session

A Diploma of Nursing information evening will be held at the Broome Notre Dame Campus at 5.30pm on 12 December.

Time: 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Venue: The University of Notre Dame Australia's Broome Campus, 88 Guy Street, Broome

To RSVP please email [broome.courses@nd.edu.au](mailto:broome.courses@nd.edu.au).

## STEM Grants for RRR Projects

**City of Bunbury (\$30,000) for the Bunbury Library Makerspace** – Increase skills and awareness in science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) through fun and engaging events and a regional STEAM network in the City of Bunbury.

*More information [HERE](#)*

**Peel Bright Minds (\$49,197) for the Peel Bright Minds Program** – Increase regional teachers' capabilities in digital and technology education through a supportive teachers' network, and promote STEM careers to young people via industry tours to innovative local businesses.

*Try [Peel Bright Minds Facebook page](#) for information.*

**Shire of Murray (\$30,000) for Murray STEM Futures** – Provide out-of-school-hours opportunities for young people (particularly girls) and others in the community to increase their digital and technology skills via a series of free workshops and lendable coding and robotics kits in the Shire of Murray.

*Try [Shire of Murray](#) for more information.*

**SpaceCubed (\$210,000) for She Codes** – Support and encourage digital and technological entrepreneurship among women by combining networking opportunities and one-week intensive and six-month coding courses in regional WA and Perth.

*Try [SheCodes](#) for information.*

**Women in Technology WA (\$179,900) for the Techtrails [tech+] Future Skills Program** –

It has won a grant to expand the delivery of the Techtrails [tech+] Future Skills Program to remote, regional and outer metropolitan schools, encouraging secondary students, especially girls, to participate in STEM and make innovative career choices.

A Mobile Virtual Reality unit will also be used to further engage students in this program.

Try [Techtrails](#) for more information

## Section 2: News for Insanely Great Careers Teachers Events



### 31 October Launch of Future Ready Career Education Strategy

The National Career Education Strategy is going to be launched on 31 October.



It will be good to be in on the ground floor to discover how the State government plans to engage with this strategy.

Tickets have booked out. You can go on a wait list [HERE](#).

## October Applications Close for 2020 Science Week Grants

The [grant round](#) for National Science Week 2020 is now open. Grants of between \$2000 and \$20 000 are available to support events across the country. National Science Week will be held from 15 - 23 August in 2020.

Be sure to read the grant guidelines carefully before applying. Each application will be assessed for merit by an external committee and then ranked in comparison to all of the other applications.

Applications will close at 5.00 pm AEDT on 22 October 2019.

Apply [HERE](#).

## 6 November What Job Seekers Need to Succeed – Ivan Neville Webinar

A couple of years ago I suggested that insomniacs should register for the Ivan Neville webinar!!

**NOW** the Ivan Neville webinar is a fixture on my professional development calendar. He works to create warm data as he explains his statistics in contexts that help us to understand the issues facing job seekers.

In this webinar he will present recent trends in the Australian labour market and insights into what employers are looking for in job seekers.

I **KNOW** it doesn't sound riveting, but he is great!! You can register [HERE](#).



*Don't forget that's 1pm our time.*

Join CDAA for the webinar:

## What Job Seekers Need to Succeed in the Australian Labour Market

Presented by Ivan Neville  
Manager of the Labour Market Research & Analysis  
Branch for the Department of Employment

Wednesday 6 November | 4pm - 5pm AEDT  
\$20 CDAA Members, \$30 Non-Members  
Register at [www.cdaa.org.au](http://www.cdaa.org.au)



(Watch Nora Bateson talk about “warm data” and why it is important [HERE](#).)

## 13 November Careers Networking Breakfast

Each month the CDAA has a breakfast for members and non-members at Dome in East Victoria Park.

It is a great place to meet practitioners from outside schools. It starts at 7am and there is free parking behind the Balmoral hotel.

Contact Lisa Laing [lisalaing@yahoo.com](mailto:lisalaing@yahoo.com) for more information, or just turn up.

## 26 November 11am AATIS Webinar

For those who couldn't attend the face to face sessions, AATIS will be hosting a **free webinar** for those who work with potential apprentices and trainees. This webinar will cover the same content as the information sessions, and attendees can ask questions and interact with AATIS staff through the webinar chat functions.

To register go [HERE](#).

## 26 November 4pm CICA Career Education: Design, Delivery and Diversity

In this webinar, we will explore how best to make career education impactful and innovative for students, teachers, parents/carers, employers/employees and other interested parties.

This webinar will:

1. Examine the international evidence-base underpinning career education, drawing on a robust literature review of quasi-and experimental-quasi studies and other employer engagement studies.
2. Consider the implications for the effective design, delivery and diversity of career education, including at least two UK case studies of theory into practice
3. Discuss ethical and technological considerations that can inform and guide career development policies and practices
4. Explore ways to assess and measure the impact of career education drawing on examples of 'tried and tested' toolkits and resources.

It costs \$25. To register go [HERE](#).

## News

### National Careers Institute Co-Design Workshop

Maureen Johnson from Ursula Frayne attended the National Careers Institute Co-Design Workshop and sent in this report:

In our groups we each completed three worksheets, from our current perspective/job.

We were given a Career Development Service System map which they wanted us to edit, if we thought that there were other stakeholders that needed to be added



#### Worksheet 1

What are the goals of the Career development system in Australia?

List three goals that we think they should be concentrating on.

- To provide a lifelong framework, commencing in upper primary school
- To develop standards and rate schools (linked to funding) on their career services.
- To ensure that careers is not fighting against other academic areas of study which it is at present.

#### Worksheet 2

How could the NCI contribute to the Career Development System?

I wrote: Minimum Career Practitioners standards, coordinating data which includes not only where the job shortages are but what skills/qualities etc that you need for these jobs, Rating RTO providers like we do with the uni's.

Who should the NCI serve? – I nominated Careerees (the new term like retirees), Regulated Career Practitioners and Employer/Industry.

You can give your views via the hub at [nci.employment.gov.au](https://nci.employment.gov.au)

## Research

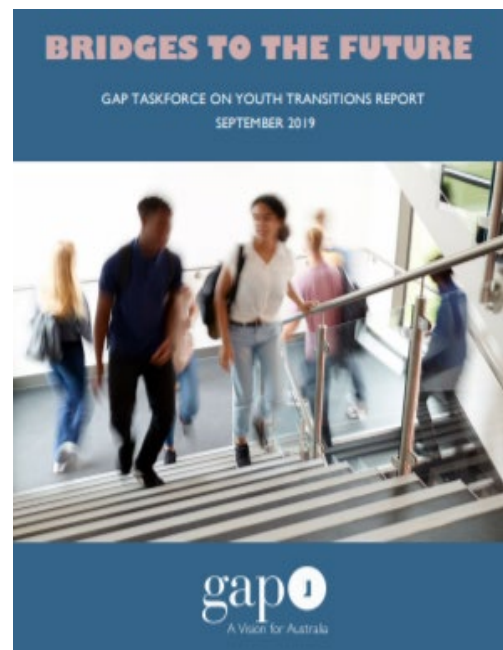
### Bridges to the Future - Sent through by Michael Openshaw

The Bridges to the Future Report is a thorough, thoughtful and progressive report which has some interesting recommendations.

It has been done in the context of the NSW Curriculum Review.

There seems to be a lot coming through about the need for greater integration of practical and workplace learning.

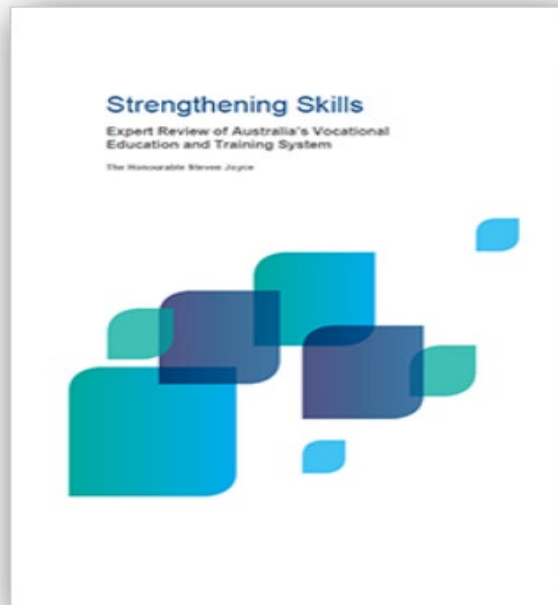
Discussion of the role and skewed use of ATAR is also part of the disruption zeitgeist.



It's an interesting report if you are interested in directions that education needs to take in order to prepare students for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

You can find it [HERE](#).

## Joyce Review



By now you will have heard of the Joyce Review which is providing direction for VET for this government. It is the Joyce Review which advocated the creation of a National Skills Commission and a National Careers Institute.

The Review's 71 recommendations cover six broad areas:

1. strengthening quality assurance;
2. speeding up qualification development;
3. simpler funding and skills matching;
4. better career information;
5. clearer secondary school pathways; and
6. greater access for disadvantaged Australians.

I will keep an eye on how these evolve into policy and resources.

You can read the Strengthening Skills Joyce Review [HERE](#).

## Financial Review Gives Career Teachers a Serve

The Financial Review decided to do a bit of bashing of school career advisors this month with their story about how [School Based Career Advice is Stuck in the Past](#).

get a bit weary of these news items that treat us like idiots.

It isn't that we don't know that careers education needs to be the centre of the universe. It is that those who have risen to power in the old system are hanging in there, nursing it along into the hospice as kids go out trying to find new ways of being in our volatile world.

You can find the story [HERE](#).

## Resources

### North Metro TAFE Support for schools

North Metropolitan TAFE offers a variety of solutions to help schools in the north metropolitan region promote TAFE as a further study option including enquiry management, targeted school tours, attending school career expos and presentations.

[Visit the "Support for Schools" section on the NM TAFE website](#)

### VET Practitioner Resource

NCVER has created a resource hub where VET practitioners can conduct research or locate resources for their work. [Read more](#)

## The Visible Farmer

49% of all food in Australia is produced by women yet agriculture is often seen as being a man's industry.

This series of 5 documentaries provides case studies of women as they make their contribution to agriculture.

You can find them [HERE](#).



## Promoting Careers using occupational profiles

Employers keen to promote careers in their industry can now refer potential applicants to an occupational profiles section that has recently been added to the Jobs and Skills WA website. [Read more](#)

## Apprentice and Trainee Aptitude Tests Give Context to English and Maths

Students who think they don't need to study because they are going to get an apprenticeship or traineeship can get a reality check by doing the AATIS literacy and numeracy quizzes. These are short tests that give potential applicants deeper knowledge of the level of skills they will need in each industry.

You can find the tests [HERE](#).

## Girls in tech

The Digital Technologies Hub **Girls in tech** page

features videos, lesson ideas, case studies,

resources and more. Explore **SciGirls videos** of real-life role models offering girls glimpses of

exciting STEM career possibilities, and Google's **Made with Code** – a website designed to inspire

teen girls to pursue their passions through coding.

Check them out [HERE](#).



## Magic Happens -Year 10 Career Development Handbook

I will send it out the Handbook next week. It is free to all subscribing schools.



## Section 3: Calendar for 2019

### November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">ACER Scholarships for primary and secondary schools open</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Applications for Gifted and Talented programs open.</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Rotary Youth Exchange applications open</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Pre-Apprenticeship applications for girls into electrical</a></li> </ul>					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 <a href="#">SM TAFE Tourism info session</a>	14 <a href="#">WAAPA Production Tour</a>  <a href="#">Know the Answer RRR Teacher Webinar</a>	15 <a href="#">NMTAFE Launch Pad</a>	16
17	18 <a href="#">UWA Year 8 Discovery</a>	19 <a href="#">UWA Year 8 Discovery</a>	20 <a href="#">Notre Dame Broome Nursing info</a>	21 National Training Awards  <a href="#">UWA Year 8 Discovery</a>	22 <a href="#">NMTAFE Launch Pad</a>  <a href="#">UWA Year 8 Discovery</a>	23
24	25	26 <a href="#">ECU Info Mt Lawley</a>  <a href="#">UWA Year 8 Discovery</a>	27	28 <a href="#">ECU Arts Humanities Tour</a>	29	30

		<a href="#">AATIS Webinar</a> <a href="#">CICA webinar</a>		<a href="#">UWA Indigenous Year 9</a>		
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## December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 <a href="#">ECU Info Joondalup</a>	5 <a href="#">ECU Info Bunbury</a>	6 <a href="#">Applications close for Rail focused courses</a>  <a href="#">CDAA Ivan Neville webinar</a>	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 <a href="#">TISC Applications Close</a> <a href="#">Horizons summer school applications close</a>	14
15	16	17	18	19 <a href="#">WACE Results</a> <a href="#">CQU change of preference session</a>	20	21
22	23 <a href="#">TISC Offers available online</a>	24	25 <b>Merry Christmas</b>	26	27	28

29	30	31 Happy New Year				
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