Welcome

Welcome to the May edition of the Monash Careers Update.

The second of our mail outs for the year is currently being distributed to all schools. Copies of the 2009 Undergraduate Course Guide and Faculty publications are included in this mail out, along with information from other areas of the University. Information for ordering multiple copies of the brochures is included in the pack.

Our Onshore Student Recruitment team is busy attending TIS events around the state and welcoming school groups to the Clayton campus. Monash will be hosting the Waverley, Peninsula and Gippsland TIS events.

Our At Monash Seminars are underway and have proved very popular with students and parents once again.

We hope that you find the Careers Update a useful resource. If you have any suggestions for improvements, or have information you would like us to cover, please email your comments to: angela.maplestone@adm.monash.edu.au

Kind Regards,
The Onshore Student Recruitment Team

Mid-year entry

A number of places are available for entry at mid-year, including:

- Engineering
- Information Technology
- Law (Law/Arts, Engineering/Law and Science/Law)
- Science – all courses at Clayton and Gippsland except the Science Scholar Program

Full details and other opportunities will be uploaded to the mid-year website as they become available.

More information
www.monash.edu.au/study/events/mid-year

Course update

Faculty of Arts

Bachelor of Performing Arts auditions

Bachelor of Performing Arts will require an audition as part of the selection process for 2009. The following additional requirement information will appear in the VTAC Guide:

*Year 12s*

All applicants must complete an audition and submit the online Monash University Supplementary Information Form (www.adm.monash.edu.au/admissions/vtac) by 24 October 2008. Applicants must indicate they have listed this course as a VTAC preference and complete the required questions. Late and change of preference applicants can call (03) 9905 9135 to arrange an audition.

This change means that there will no longer be a published ENTER for the Bachelor of Performing Arts, however students still need to be aware that this is an academically rigorous course and there is a requirement to obtain an ENTER of 70+, as well as being successful in the audition, to be selected.
Careers Adviser’s Seminar 2008

The annual Careers Adviser’s Seminar will be held on Thursday 12 June, 2008 at the Caulfield campus. This will be the first time the event is held at Caulfield and the campus is well serviced by public transport.

The event provides key information including overview of courses, future directions and major University imperatives for the next twelve months.

Who should attend?

All staff involved in providing information to senior secondary students are welcome to attend the day. Those who should attend include Careers Advisers, VCE Coordinators, International Advisers, Careers Consultants and Year 11 and 12 Coordinators. The Seminar day also provides a wonderful opportunity to experience the Caulfield campus.

More information

Registrations should be made by Friday 30 May 2008. Complete the online registration at:

www.monash.edu.au/study/schools/teachers-seminar

Contact Val Foster: Tel: (03) 9903 4758 Email: valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au

The Age VCE and Careers Expo ‘08

The VCE Careers Expo had a total attendance of 25,129 people and 165 exhibitors - an increase of 3000 attendees compared to last year. 3,700 students from 44 school groups attended the Friday session. Post-Expo surveys indicate that 85% of participants rated the Expo as very worthwhile and 61% attended at least one seminar. The seminars were very popular and the feedback indicated that more seminars should be scheduled next year.

All ten Monash Faculties attended the Expo and staff manned the stand for the three days of the event. The event presents a valuable opportunity for prospective students to talk directly to Faculty staff and have any questions answered and to attend Faculty specific information sessions.

Mid-year VCE Revision Lectures

Through an initiative of the Peninsula Education Precinct and the South East Education Forum, Mid-year Revision Lectures will be offered at the Peninsula and Berwick campuses again in 2008.

- Peninsula - Saturday 24 May 2008
- Berwick - Sunday 25 May 2008

Subjects offered at both campuses are Psychology, Biology, Physics, Accounting and Chemistry.

More information and full program details

- Peninsula - Tanya O’Brien Tel: 9904 4339
  www.monash.edu.au/campuses/peninsula
- Berwick - Ingrid Vanderputt on 9904 7002
  www.monash.edu.au/campuses/berwick

‘At Monash’ Seminar Series

‘At Monash’ seminars provide students and parents with a comprehensive overview of course and career options within specific discipline areas. Speakers include an academic, a current student and a recent graduate from each faculty.

The ‘At Monash’ Seminar series commenced in April and continues throughout the May.

Online bookings

Bookings can be made online at:

www.monash.edu.au/study/events/atmonash

More information

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At Monash Seminars - May

Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Health Science
- Thursday 1 May, 6.30 – 8pm
  George Jenkins Theatre, Peninsula campus

Law
- Monday 5 May, 6.30 – 8pm
  Robert Blackwood Concert Hall, Clayton campus

Engineering
- Wednesday 7 May, 6.30 – 8pm
  Robert Blackwood Concert Hall, Clayton campus

Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Tuesday 13 May, 6.30 – 8pm
  Cossar Hall, Parkville campus

Business and Economics
- Thursday 15 May, 6.30 pm – 8pm
  Exhibition Space, Building H, Caulfield campus

Drama and Theatre Studies
- Tuesday 20 May, 6.30 – 8pm
  Performing Arts Theatre, Clayton campus

Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedics
- Wednesday 21 May, 6.30 – 8 pm
  George Jenkins Theatre, Peninsula campus

Information Technology
- Thursday 22 May, 6.30 – 8pm
  Exhibition Space, Building H, Caulfield campus

Monash on Show

www.monash.edu.au/on-show

The Monash on show website showcases Monash in pictures, with links to campus tours, faculty videos and more.
Faculty of Information Technology

IT Challenge competition 2008

The IT Challenge is a multiple category competition for high school students and is celebrated in a final IT Challenge awards night at BMW Edge Federation Square (Melbourne) on Tuesday 16 September 2008.

The IT Challenge

Programming
- Students are required to design and program a project using Visual Basic. Possible project ideas include interactive booking systems, calculator or multimedia products.

Database
- Students are required to develop a database using various software applications.

Game development
- Design and build a computer game.

Web design
- Design and develop an interactive website.

Film
- Students are required to develop a short film or documentary (maximum 3 minutes in duration).

3D Maya/Max
- Please refer to the 3D Maya/Max Competition web page for further details www.infotech.monash.edu.au/promotion/competitions/maya/

Flash
- Please refer to the Flash Competition webpage for further details. www.infotech.monash.edu.au/about/schools/berwick/events/flash2007/

Open IT category
- This category is open to the IT related areas that are not defined in this competition. Before entering this category, a High School must give good reason why its entry should be accepted for judging.

Prizes

Winning students and schools will be awarded prizes and trophies for placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each category.

Awards of Merit will also be presented to various students who have not placed in the top three but showed outstanding achievement.

IT Challenge Student of the Year

From the winning students, three will be selected as 1st, 2nd and 3rd IT Challenge Students of the Year. This award will be announced on the night.

Awards night, Tuesday 16 September 2008

The IT Challenge awards night will be held at the BMW Edge Federation Square Melbourne and is cordially sponsored by Autodesk, Connecting point, GameHead, Storm FX and the Faculty of Information Technology.

More information

Please refer to the competition page (under Quick links) on the faculty website at www.infotech.monash.edu.au for more details regarding the competition or contact: Andrew Owen on 9903 1441 or email: andrew.owen@infotech.monash.edu.au

Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences

Don’t miss the ISAT!

Victorian and Interstate International Year 12

Every year a handful of international students who want to study medicine at Monash find they can’t apply because they didn’t know they had to sit the ISAT, the UMAT equivalent for international students. It is a huge disappointment for those students, but easily avoided.

A prerequisite for Medicine courses, the ISAT - International Student Admissions Test (ISAT) is a three-hour multiple choice test. The test is focused on the generic and cross-curricular skills that underpin academic performance, and aims to tap into the abilities that are the foundation of academic success. A number of tests are scheduled throughout the year.

Important dates for international applicants

Registrations open in April and tests dates are scheduled from May to October.

Applications close two calendar weeks before each test. For example, if the test date is Thursday 24 April, then the online registration system will remove that test date from the system at 5pm Australian Eastern Standard Time on Thursday 10 April. Please refer to the acer website for further details: www.acer.edu.au/isat

Students apply via VTAC (see VTAC website for closing dates) and must sit the ISAT by Thursday 23 October 2008. Interviews will be held at the Clayton campus in mid-November 2008.

Comprehensive preparation materials and practice tests can be ordered and there are now test centres in the capital cities and regional centres of all Australian states and territories, and in New Zealand, Singapore, the UK and USA.

The UMAT website gives details about the test and an online registration process (students can also register by post).

More information

umatweb.acer.edu.au
13 student leaders selected at the VCP

Thirteen students have been selected to be the Victorian College of Pharmacy Student Ambassadors for 2008. The rigorous selection process identifies students who demonstrate leadership skills and a passion for their course and future profession.

The program has been running since 2006 and has grown in popularity every year. In addition to the 13 new Student Ambassadors, 13 additional students who took part in the program in 2007, have been chosen to return to the program as Senior Ambassadors.

Over their 12-month term these 26 students will undertake a training program to further enhance their communication, leadership and networking skills. Students find the opportunity to participate in this type of program highly beneficial as a way of developing critical "soft skills" that employers regard highly.

Second year Bachelor of Pharmacy student Tracey Hong was honoured to be chosen to take part in the Student Ambassador Program in 2008. "I'm looking forward to representing my university and meeting people across Monash, particularly future students and alumni."

Faculty of Law

2008 Great Law Week Debate, Wednesday 14 May

“What do you mean you don’t know Bradman’s test average?” Immigrants need to assimilate into Australian culture.

Witness two teams of internationally-respected Monash Law graduates debate this topical and highly controversial issue at the Annual Monash Great Law Week Debate

Wednesday 14 May 2008, 5.30pm for 6pm start
Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre
Auditorium (Level 2), 2 Clarendon Street, Southbank
RSVP: Monday 12 May 2008 to marketing@law.monash.edu.au

More information
www.law.monash.edu.au

Faculty of Art & Design

Architecture exhibition (until Friday 16 May)

An exhibition of work of the first year foundation Architecture students will be held from Wednesday 30 April to Friday 16 May in The Art and Design Gallery at the Caulfield campus. The exhibition is open to the public and is free.

The Gallery is open Monday - Friday from 9am - 5pm. School groups most welcome.

More information
Bookings to tour the exhibition can be made by email: tom.hazell@artdes.monash.edu.au

Art &Design At Monash Seminars online

The 2008 At Monash Seminars for Art and Design have been videotaped and are available for students who were unable to attend the evenings, to view.