Welcome to the fourth edition of Monash University’s Careers Update for 2010. Although we’re now officially in Autumn, Term 2 is a fantastic opportunity to do a ‘spring clean’ of your Careers Room, with a range of updated and new publications and resources now available from Monash to ensure you have the most up-to-date information. This edition provides details of how you can request promotional materials for our At Monash seminars and Enhancement Studies program, as well as a listing of new university-wide and faculty specific publications now available for you to order via Waivestar.

This edition also profiles our At Monash seminar series, which begins this month. These are discipline-specific evening events that provide an opportunity for your students to find out more about our courses, as well as to hear from current students and recent graduates.

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: rachel.edwards@adm.monash.edu.au

Kind Regards,
The Onshore Student Recruitment Team

Publications Update

Alongside our full Undergraduate Course Guide for 2011 (MU0300), a new publication ‘A Quick Guide to Monash 2011’ (MU0302) is also now available to order through Waivestar. This is a shorter, more concise publication, which still includes basic information about all of our courses. This may be better for your Year 11 students for example, or for those just requiring an overview of options at Monash. Please note though that this publication comes in boxes of 120.

Throughout Term 2 updated versions of most of our faculty -specific guides will become available, the following are now ready for you to order via Waivestar:

- Faculty of Education – Undergraduate Education (MU0125)
- Faculty of Education – Undergraduate Courses in Sport and Outdoor Recreation (MU0123)
- Faculty of Engineering – Undergraduate Guide 2011 (MU0159)
- Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences – Undergraduate Courses 2011 (MU0157)
- Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences – Undergraduate courses for entry in 2011 (MU0305)
- Faculty of Science – Undergraduate Science 2010 (MU0303)

To order Monash publications go to www.waivestar.com.au and enter your username (first initial and surname) and your password. For a password reminder, or if you do not have login details for Waivestar contact Rachel on rachel.edwards@adm.monash.edu.au

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Enhancement Studies Update

New postcards are available promoting the subjects on offer and the Enhancement Studies Information Evening on Wednesday 13 October. If you would like a supply, please contact us.

Please keep in mind that if your school is interested in knowing more about the Enhancement Studies Program, we are available to visit. We can conduct information sessions for teaching staff outlining the responsibilities, time commitment and benefits for teachers and schools. We also run sessions for prospective students, covering everything they need to know about this beneficial and prestigious program.

More information
For details about the Enhancement Studies Program, or if you have ideas about discipline offerings or an interest in teaching the program at your school please contact Helen O’Keeffe on 03 9903 4810 or Helen.OKeeffe@adm.monash.edu.au.

Diploma of Tertiary Studies

The Diploma of Tertiary Studies is a one-year pathway program offered at the Gippsland, Berwick and Peninsula campuses, which allows students to progress into degrees offered by the faculties of Art & Design, Arts, Business, Education, IT, Nursing or Science.

Previously applications for our Diploma of Tertiary Studies (DoTS) program have been made directly to the university; many during the Change of Preference period if students believe they may not have received the required ENTER for their chosen program. However, to assist students in what can be a stressful time, all applications will now be made via VTAC. So, is applicable students can preselect a DoTS program as one of their VTAC preferences, ensuring they have a Pathways option alongside their ‘dream course’. Please note that students wishing to be considered for DoTS courses at more than one campus will need to indicate a preference for each of the campuses that they are interested in.

More information
Information about the program can be found here: http://arts.monash.edu.au/humcass/ugrad/dots.php

Pathways to University information evening

Date: Tuesday 25 May
Time: 6:30pm
Venue: Peninsula Campus

This free event will provide information and advice about the range of pathways that can be used to gain access into courses offered at Monash’s Peninsula campus.

The event will also be relevant for VCE students who may wish to keep their options open or who think they may not get the ENTER to meet course entry requirements. Information about the Diploma of Tertiary Studies will be available as will be representatives from all academic areas at Peninsula: Business, Education, Emergency Health, Nursing and Midwifery, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Sport and Outdoor Recreation.

Those looking to transfer from a current TAFE or university course will also find this event useful. Representatives from VTAC will also be in attendance.

More information
Registrations essential at www.monash.edu/peninsula

At Monash Seminars

The Seminar Series provides a unique opportunity to hear from academics, current students and graduates all in the one place. There is also a question and answer session and a chance to pick up course information and ask individual questions of the speakers and faculty representatives.

Seminars commence on 4 May with Education, Sport and Outdoor Recreation at the Peninsula Campus. Other seminars in May are Arts (Humanities) Drama and Theatre Studies on 5 May, Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences on 11 May, Architecture on 12 May, Business and Economics on 19 May, Engineering on 20 May, and Science on 25 May.

More information
www.monash.edu/atmonash

Make sure your students are the first to know… Monash eNews

Students from Years 10-12 who subscribe to Monash eNews will receive regular updates via email and SMS about courses, careers, admissions, scholarships and events in their area of interest at Monash.

How to subscribe
Advise your students to visit www.monash.edu.au/enews/future-students to register. It’s as simple as that.

Monash Open Day 2010

Saturday 31 July – Berwick, Peninsula, Gippsland
Sunday 1 August – Clayton, Caulfield and Parkville

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Nursing exchange expands horizons

Students from the School of Nursing and Midwifery have been able to enhance their learning experience by undertaking a clinical component of their course overseas.

Three third year students recently spent four weeks in the UK as part of an exchange program with Huddersfield University. Delvene Yun, Monique Ravenhorst and Ashlee Kennelly undertook their mental health clinical rounds in the UK earlier this year and can now compare their experiences with Kim Mackins, Helen Dyson and Philip Watson from Huddersfield University who are spending six weeks at Monash’s Peninsula campus.

Head of the School of Nursing and Midwifery at Peninsula, Associate Professor Tony O’Brien, says the experience gives the students a valuable opportunity to expand their nursing practice skills.

“Both the Australian and UK students went into mental health environments in different countries, and even though they are both developed countries it gives the students a good understanding of how health care settings can vary,” he said.

“Students with a nursing qualification are highly sought after throughout the world, and undertaking some component of their study overseas broadens the horizons in terms of future opportunities.”

The Peninsula students said the UK experience was different to their other clinical experiences in Australia particularly in terms of the interdisciplinary set-up and the interprofessional relationships that appeared to exist between health care workers in the UK.

Also undertaking a semester at the School of Nursing and Midwifery at the Peninsula campus are two students from Karolinska Institutet, a medical university in Stockholm. Linn Kragerud and Sara Arvidsson will spend the whole semester at Peninsula undertaking lectures as well as clinical placements.

All the students agree that the exchange opportunity has given them more of a desire to travel once they complete their studies.
St Margaret’s School’s victory at Viewpoint 2010

Scotch College and St Margaret’s school went head to head over the issue of whether Australia should accept economic refugees to determine the winner of Viewpoint 2010.

St Margaret’s School in Berwick came out on top against reigning champions Scotch College in the Grand Final held at Caulfield Campus of Monash University on Friday 16 April.

It was the second year this state-wide debating event was presented by the Faculty of Business and Economics at Monash University, encouraging students to hone their public speaking skills and develop an understanding of economic issues.

St Margaret’s School and Scotch College students debated both sides of the issue whether Australia should accept economic refugees.

The final was preceded by comment from experts and opinion leaders at Monash University on the topic of economic refugees and followed by a question and answer session by economic experts.

“As the people who will bear the future consequences of policy implemented by government this debate made us more aware of the issue and gave us a much broader knowledge of the refugee issue and the social and economic implications of accepting economic refugees to Australia,” Rebecca Irvine, captain of the winning team explained.

Rebecca also mentioned how their participation in Viewpoint gave the team valuable insight into University life and how their participation gave them much more insight than just attending an Open Day at University.

Over the past month 21 schools from across Victoria challenged each other on subjects ranging from whether we should set and enforce a maximum 35 hour working week, to whether the developing world should prioritise development over environment.

Adjudicators for the debates were provided by the Debaters Association of Victoria, supported by the Monash Association of Debaters.

More information
www.viewpoint.monash.edu

St Margaret’s School’s victory at Viewpoint 2010

National Youth Science Forum

On the 19 March 80 high schools students were given the opportunity to test drive their future as a Monash student by taking part in the National Youth Science Forum held on the Clayton campus. The students were able to choose between sessions with science, engineering or medicine, and 16 students elected to participate in the engineering session.

Dr Andrew Price from the Department of Electrical and Computer Systems Engineering (E&CSE) organised and supervised a laboratory session with the assistance of 5 lab demonstrators from E&CSE. The students were able to participate in building a bare minimum computer, called an embedded computer, and use it to measure temperature as well as control other devices, and which they could take home and build onto. They were able to accomplish the building of this computer in under two hours.

Thanks to Dr Price and his team from E&CSE for giving of their time and expertise.

More information
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Faculty of Business & Economics

Faculty of Engineering

Scholarship Event

On 4 March an event was held to celebrate the successful undergraduate scholarship recipients for 2010.

Students were awarded either an Engineering Excellence Award, Monash University Engineering Scholarship or a Women in Engineering Bursary.

Awardees, their families and a school representative attended the function where each student and their school were formally acknowledged for their achievement. 270 people attended the event, including 69 scholarship recipients and 25 school representatives.

Dean, Professor Tam Sridhar congratulated the students for their fantastic results and was pleased to see so many parents and school representatives in attendance. Professor Sridhar acknowledged the great contribution of parents and teachers to the success of the scholarship winners.

Guests also heard from Harry Wan and Shanika Ekanayake, both graduates of the Leadership in a Technological Environment program. Shanika’s advice to the first year students was, “I think that Monash University provides a great university culture and I encourage you all to become a part of that. Join as many clubs that interest you, it’s the best way to get to know people, best way to learn your way around uni and a guaranteed road to a lot of fun.”

After the formal presentations, guests were invited to have supper with faculty staff and current engineering students from Monash Motorsport and Engineers Without Borders.
‘Yarning up’: YourSpace@Monash

Why come to University? Come and have a yarn.
Indigenous students and graduates speak about why they came to Uni, how they are finding life as a student, and why you might want to make Monash ‘your space’.
Find out about Arts, Law, IT and other areas where you could make a difference in Australian society.
Come and talk to current Uni students and staff, see some examples of what’s happening around the campus and join in some interactive tutorial-style activities and discussions.
A free event – hosted by Monash University’s Centre for Australian Indigenous Studies, and the Faculties of Law, Arts and IT.

Date: Thursday 17 June, 2010
Time: 10.00 am – 1.00 pm (including lunch) with optional campus tours 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm
Venue: Monash University, Clayton Campus, Law Faculty Basement, Building 12
RSVP: Friday 11 June, 2010
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Need help with transport? Ring Catherine to see how we can help.
Meet the Team

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Responsibility: Student Recruitment Coordinator
Background: I started at Monash University in 2000 as a Bachelor of Arts student, majoring in Psychology and Police Studies. After spending a year at Victoria Police HQ, I returned to Monash in 2004 and have been here ever since!
What you like about Monash/your job: The thing I like the most about working at Monash is being able to go out and promote an institution and course that I really believe in – makes my job a whole lot easier.
First ever job: A short term stint at Safeway, followed by a long term stint at McDonald’s, which included dressing up as a clown and being a party hostess!
Best holiday: My backpacking holiday late last year... Going it alone through a variety of places ranging from Ibiza to Ireland, and making lots of fantastic friends on the way!