



Important Dates

28 September

Guest speaker – Head of
Engineering, Deakin
University, Australia
(recess)

September- October (various)

Closing dates for
VTAC/UAC applications,
SEAS and Scholarship
applications for study in
Australia

16 December

VCE results and ATARs for
final year students

New publications

Publications in this month:

- RMIT University (Victoria)

Also:

- *Applying to Colleges and Universities in the United States (2011 edition)*

Welcome

Welcome to the first VISS Careers Update for the 2010-2012 school year. For those of you who have just commenced Grade 11 or are new to the school, this newsletter aims to keep senior VISS students informed about their course and career options and help them research their university preferences.

At this stage of the year, the careers focus is to support Grade 12 and 13 students with researching and applying for courses, and begin working with Grade 11 students to explore career options and preferences for the Work Experience Program scheduled for June 2012. We will also commence our university speaker series within the next couple of weeks.

Parents are welcome to subscribe to this newsletter by contacting me. Parents of Grade 11 students will be added to the email list automatically; however parents may opt-out of these emails if they wish.

Any suggestions regarding future content will be gratefully received,

Caroline O'Donnell

Online resources to start you thinking

If you have not spent much time thinking about what career you might like to pursue, there are many resources online that can help you reflect on your personality traits and preferences. This month's suggestion is a careers quiz at www.careertest.net

This test is based on the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator and it is the most widely used personality assessment. Be aware that this is NOT a reliable tool for choosing a career on its own, as the results have varying reliability and they can change over the course of your life, this is more effectively used as a starting point for some self-reflection.

Would you like to Study in Germany?

If you wish to explore a course of study at a European university, it may be worth considering study in Germany. There is a large range of high quality courses (some conducted in English, but many of which include an intensive and supportive year of study of German, after which students are eligible for a very attractive fee structure.) VCE/IB subjects and the ATAR are considered as part of the application process.

If you would like to know more about studying in Germany, please let me know as we will have the opportunity to have a guest speaker visit us at VISS.

More Useful links

Subscribe to a University bulletin or follow on Facebook or Twitter:

University of Adelaide (South Australia): <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/study/high-school/>

General Course Information:

University of Waterloo (Canada): <http://findoutmore.uwaterloo.ca/>

The University of Edinburgh (UK): <http://www.ed.ac.uk/studying/international>

Country specific information about university study:

Study in Australia: <http://www.goingtouni.gov.au/>

Study in Sweden: <http://www.studyinsweden.se/>

Study in Germany: <http://www.daad.de/en/index.html>