New pathways to undergraduate Law at Monash University: Currently the ATAR for undergraduate Law at Monash is about 98 and 94 for Monash Guarantee students. From 2017 there will be three new pathway courses for eligible students:

- Bachelor of Arts (Law Pathway)
- Bachelor of Commerce (Law Pathway)
- Bachelor of Arts (Science Pathway)

Completion of the first year with a certain grade point average will guarantee entry into the second year of either the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) or the second year of the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) combined with the relevant degree (Arts, Commerce or Science).

Information on eligibility will be available soon and Year 12 students will be able to apply for the pathway courses via the Victorian Tertiary Admission Centre (VTAC) in August. For information on Law at Monash, go to http://bit.ly/1Pe63Zl

Changes to entry requirements for Law at UNSW: From 2017, Year 12 students who would like to study an undergraduate law degree at UNSW will need to sit the Law Admissions Test (LAT). The results of the test and your ATAR will be used during the selection process. Year 11 students can complete the LAT this year, as results will be valid for two years. For information on the LAT, how to register and when the test will be held, go to http://bit.ly/1Oa1p3A

Bachelor of Biosecurity Science at Box Hill Institute: This course is designed for people looking to protect Australia and its environment from the threat of invasive animals, plants, pests and disease. Developed with industry and government input, this is the only dedicated undergraduate biosecurity science degree in Australia. Graduates from this course will find work in agriculture, nurseries and wineries and the new national Post-Entry Quarantine facility to be constructed by 2017 in Melbourne. For more information, go to www.bhtafe.edu.au/

Science news: Be inspired by the latest stories featured on RiAUS – Australia’s Science Channel. Some of the topics covered this week include:

- Meerkats bulking to compete against rivals
- Raw milk myth hits the shelves
- Mars closest to Earth in over a decade
- Misinformation and myths – the problem with cancer
- Inside the Scinema International Science Film Festival

Access the stories at this link - http://bit.ly/1UqwhJb

Be inspired by well known young scientists: Nova’s: The Secret Life of Scientists and Engineers has developed several videos profiling young people who are passionate about science and mathematics.

- Danica McKellar: played Winnie Cooper in The Wonder Years. She talks about her passion for mathematics.
- Mayim Bialik: talks about how she went from starring in the hit show Blossom to getting a PHD in neuroscience. She currently stars in The Big Bang Theory

You will also be able to watch videos of young people talking about their passion for robotics, primatology and astrophysics etc. Go to http://to.pbs.org/Ooj2i7
Are you sitting the UMAT in July? The following are tips on how to prepare for the UMAT:

- Download the free practice exams from the ACER website, [http://umat.acer.edu.au/](http://umat.acer.edu.au/)
- MedEntry - [www.medentry.edu.au/](http://www.medentry.edu.au/) and NIE - [www.nie.edu.au/](http://www.nie.edu.au/) offer fee for service UMAT preparation programs. Whilst some students find these programs to be helpful, it’s important to note that the universities who use the UMAT do not endorse them.

Do you have an interest in forensic science? You may be interested in reading about several notable people who have made a significant contribution to the field of forensics. Lauren Wright has written a fantastic article called ‘Through the Looking Glass’, [http://bit.ly/1ANqGcY](http://bit.ly/1ANqGcY)

Portfolio Entry at the University of Canberra (UC): If you would like to study a design-based course at UC and are concerned you won't achieve the required ATAR, you can apply via the portfolio entry scheme. UC will take into consideration your ATAR plus a portfolio of your creative work. For information on the scheme and a list of eligible courses, go to [http://bit.ly/1Sh6pRB](http://bit.ly/1Sh6pRB)

Learn about economics: If you think that economics is all theory without real world applications, think again! ‘The Conversation’, is an excellent six-part video series by La Trobe University lecturer, Liam Lenten. In ‘Some Sports Economics’ Liam explains common economic ideas using sporting analogies. You can watch all six videos here, [http://bit.ly/1LabmYn](http://bit.ly/1LabmYn)

Check out the latest articles at Deakin ‘Think’:

- Three tech innovations that will save lives
- Tips to make it through exam day
- Can a former Australian Idol host beat Tony Abbott in the election?
- Why our online gambling addiction is growing
- 13 simple ways to study more effectively
- The cost of racial discrimination

Go to [http://this.deakin.edu.au/](http://this.deakin.edu.au/)

Passionate about arts and humanities? The Arts Scholars Program at Australian Catholic University is for high achieving students who are enrolled in one of the following courses:

- Bachelor of Arts (must be majoring in one of the following: Digital Journalism, Drama, Economics, Geography, History, Literature, Digital Media, Music, Politics, Sociology or Visual Arts)
- Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Global Studies
- Bachelor of Creative Arts

Students will receive one to one academic mentoring, and participate in research. Selection for the program is based on invitation at the end of the first year of the course and will be based on the students’ grade point average. For information about the program, go to [http://bit.ly/25ikYb1](http://bit.ly/25ikYb1)

RMIT Engineering students win top design in Texas: RMIT Bachelor of Engineering (Aerospace Engineering) students recently won a top technical prize for their revolutionary high-speed travel pod. Out of more than 1700 entries, the RMIT team was the only Australian team to be selected to compete in Texas. The teams unique pod design could cut travel time from Melbourne to Sydney to just 40 minutes. For information about engineering at RMIT, go to [http://bit.ly/1JcxtPe](http://bit.ly/1JcxtPe)

Interested in outdoor education? La Trobe University is running a Spring School Holiday program between 26 – 30 September for students in Years 10 – 12 at the Bendigo campus. Students will be able to experience what it’s like to be an Outdoor and Environmental Education student at La Trobe University. Students will experience the outdoors and natural environments by choosing either climbing and bushwalking or paddling and bushwalking. For information, go to [http://bit.ly/1TW73Zj](http://bit.ly/1TW73Zj)
### JUNE

- 27 – 30: **RMIT Experience Days**: Business (27), Science (28), Social Impact (28), Health & Medical Sciences (29), Engineering (30), Marketing & Communications (30), [http://tinyurl.com/llo4tbx](http://tinyurl.com/llo4tbx)
- 29 - 30: **Career Discovery: Fashion and Textiles**, RMIT, [http://tinyurl.com/k8qazee](http://tinyurl.com/k8qazee)

### JULY

- 5 - 7: **Computer Games Boot Camp**, Monash University, Clayton, [https://cgbc.monash.edu/](https://cgbc.monash.edu/)
- 6, 7, 8: **Experience La Trobe University**, Bendigo (6), Melbourne (7), Mildura (8), [http://bit.ly/1Rilhxz](http://bit.ly/1Rilhxz)
- 20, 27: **Health Sciences Information Sessions**, Deakin University, Geelong (20), Melbourne (27), more information to come.

### AUGUST