

careers information newsletter



Wednesday 5 February 2020

Welcome to the first Career Information Newsletter for 2020!

Information about careers, universities, work experience and scholarships are communicated to St Mary's families through various methods including this newsletter.

This newsletter will be uploaded to the Parents' Portal and emailed to students in Years 10 to 12. I encourage students to develop their independent information-gathering skills to make an optimal transition from secondary school to further studies or the workplace.

Career counselling is also offered to students who would like to explore career options in more depth. Students and parents may email or phone to seek more information or make an appointment. I wish everyone a successful year ahead.

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Australian National University

Applying to ANU 2021

You can apply direct to ANU for 2021 and get an **early conditional offer**. This will allow you to focus on what's really important - completing your final year.

Direct applications will open March 2020. What you need to know:

- There is no application fee.
- You will be required to meet the co-curricular or service requirement.
- You will apply for admission, guaranteed accommodation, and over 200 scholarships all in one application.

Students interested in applying to ANU should start researching courses they would like to apply to. [CLICK HERE](#) to search for courses.

Australian Defence Force Academy

ADF Gap Year applications open in March

If you want to experience life in the navy, army or air force, the Gap Year provides a unique opportunity to get a feel for a military life in the ADF, without committing to a longer period, and to develop with experiences you would otherwise never have.

- Gain valuable skills and work experience
- Enjoy a good salary package plus free healthcare
- Live a varied, active and healthy lifestyle
- Make friends with like-minded people
- Travel around Australia

For more information: [Australian Defence Force Gap Year](#)

Perth Defence Force Recruiting also offer a range of information sessions. See more information about upcoming events below:

EVENT	DATE	TIME	VENUE	MORE INFO / REGISTER
Women in Defence Information Session	Wednesday 19 February	6.30pm	Perth Defence Force Recruiting, Level 7 66 St Georges Terrace Perth, WA 6000	CLICK HERE

Curtin University

Curtin University is holding a free information session for Year 10 parents to break down the university jargon and explain how you can help your daughters choose the best subjects for Year 11 and 12 to suit their interests, abilities and career goals.

EVENT	DATE	TIME	VENUE	MORE INFO / REGISTER
Year 10 Parent Information Evening	Wednesday 26 February	5.45pm	Building 500, Room 1102, Curtin University	CLICK HERE

ECU Information Evenings

ECU's information evenings and events introduce you to a wide range of courses and the support services you can expect as a student.

EVENT	DATE	TIME	VENUE	MORE INFO / REGISTER
Business and Law Information Evening	Wednesday 5 February	6.00pm	Joondalup Campus	CLICK HERE
Security and Computing Showcase Evening	Tuesday 11 February	6.00pm	Joondalup Campus	CLICK HERE
Engineering and Technology Showcase Evening	Wednesday 12 February	6.00pm	Joondalup Campus	CLICK HERE

Get Real Experience and Try – Nursing and Midwifery Year 10 Work Experience Program

The Get Real Experience and Try (GREaT) Nursing and Midwifery Work Experience Program has been developed to encourage high school students to experience nursing prior to studying it with a state training provider or at university.

The program has been developed for Year 10 high school students to experience the many aspects of nursing and midwifery in a clinical setting while observing the team in action. Over five consecutive days students will rotate through many areas previously not available to school students, to find out what it's really like to be a nurse or midwife and what nurses and midwives really do.

Applications for the 2020 GREaT Program are NOW open and close at 5.00pm on Friday 13 March. The application link button will only appear and be active during this time. For more information [CLICK HERE](#).

(This is a great opportunity for Year 10s to complete a nursing placement for their Work Experience. Placements may not be in our allocated Work Experience week but students may get approval to complete this program if it is an area they are keen to pursue. Students will be expected to catch up on missed work.)

Letz Live Gap Year

Applications are open for January 2021 Gap Years! (Applications close 20 March 2020)

Looking at spending time abroad as part of your gap year? Are you keen to work as a gap assistant in a school in New Zealand, Thailand or The United Kingdom? The gap year program will include meals, accommodation, a weekly allowance, visa assistance, a comprehensive orientation and ongoing support from the Letz Live team.

Find out more at: <https://www.letzlive.org>

Melbourne University – Aspiring Scholars Program

Our Aspiring Scholars community is back for 2020! The community is a Facebook-based online community of high achieving Year 12 students from across Australia who are connected by their interest in potentially studying at the University of Melbourne in the future. Participants will have access to our current student mentors, a dedicated staff member throughout the year and exclusive invitations to online and on-campus events. They'll also have the chance to win a trip to our Open Day in August. We'll be calling for applicants in the coming weeks so keep an eye out for more info.

Rotary Youth Exchange Scholarships

Applications are now open for 2020 Rotary Exchange Scholarships. They close on **March 31, 2020**. Students aged 15 – 18 years are invited to apply. Successful applicants get to have a life- changing experience spending 12 months as Australian Youth Ambassadors in a foreign country. There is a significant application process. If you are considering applying, you should start now by visiting the [Western Australian Rotary Youth Exchange website](#).

EVENT	DATE	TIME	VENUE	MORE INFO / REGISTER
Rotary Exchange Information Day	Sunday 23 February	1.30pm - 3.30pm	John McGrath Pavilion 97 Hensman St, South Perth	North of Perth Contact Jill Hanna M: 0417 982 315 jhpkbs@inet.net.au

Ranking of WA Universities

These ratings were published in the 2020 edition of [The Good Universities Guide](#). The ratings provide independent five-star performance ratings, based on student-relevant criteria such as graduate salaries, teaching quality, learning resources, graduate employment rates and much more.

★★★★★ 5 STARS are awarded for results that fall amongst the top 20% of results in the country.

	Notre Dame	Curtin	ECU	Murdoch	UWA
Overall Experience	91.1% ★★★★★	81% ★★★★★	84.2% ★★★★★	81% ★★★★★	79%
Student Support	83.7% ★★★★★	74.2%	80.5% ★★★★★	79.2% ★★★★★	73%
Learner Engagement	76.4% ★★★★★	66.3% ★★★★★	64.8%	62.2%	58.9%
Learner Resources	82.2%	86.8% ★★★★★	87.7% ★★★★★	85.7%	84%
Skills Development	90.7% ★★★★★	83%	85.9% ★★★★★	82.1%	75.7%
Teacher Quality	90.6% ★★★★★	82.9% ★★★★★	85.9% ★★★★★	83% ★★★★★	80.2%
Graduate Starting Salary	\$64,000 ★★★★★	\$62,500 ★★★★★	\$62,500 ★★★★★	\$60,000	\$57,400
Getting a Job	79.6% ★★★★★	69.5%	60.4%	63%	59.7%

For World University Rankings go to: [World University Rankings – Times Higher Education](#)

Compare undergraduate and postgraduate coursework student experience and graduate employment on [QILT](#)

UCAT – Medicine and Dentistry

Most students and parents will now be aware the UMAT has been replaced with the UCAT. Information about the UCAT can be found [HERE](#). There are practice tests and resources and clear instructions on what to expect in the test on the site.

Students wishing to apply for to study medicine at Curtin or those who wish to apply for a direct entry place at UWA medicine or dentistry for 2020 will need to complete this test in July.

Students can register from 2 March and registrations close on 11 May. Testing happens in July. I recommend that students register early and book to sit the test in the July school holidays.

UWA Upcoming Events

Making high school less stressful for everyone! UWA's free information sessions give you a head start on making your Year 10, 11 or 12 experience a positive one... even if you're not sure if university's the right pathway for your future goals. Find out more about:

- UWA's courses and entry requirements;
- Maximising your ATAR;
- How to keep your options open when selecting your upper school subjects; and
- On-campus activities and events we offer for Years 10, 11 and 12 students.

You can also talk directly to faculty specialists about your specific interest areas.

EVENT	DATE	TIME	VENUE	MORE INFO / REGISTER
Course Information Evening	Monday 30 March	5.00pm - 6.00pm Course Expo 6.00pm – 7.30pm Course Presentation	UWA	CLICK HERE

UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarships for 2020

Applications are now open and close May, 2020.

The UWA Fogarty Foundation Scholarships provide senior secondary students who show significant academic potential, together with a strong sense of community involvement and responsibility in Years 11 and 12, with an opportunity to undertake an undergraduate degree of their choice at The University of Western Australia.

To be eligible to apply, applicants are required to:

- be enrolled as a domestic student in Year 12 at a Western Australian secondary school at the time of application;
- demonstrate outstanding achievements during Years 11 and 12, as well as demonstrate excellence in **at least three areas of arts, community service, leadership or sports;**
- have a predicted minimum **ATAR of 98 +**
- nominate UWA as their first preference in the main round of TISC offers.

For more information go to the [UWA Fogarty Scholarships Website](#).

Explore WAAPA's short courses!

Whether you are a beginner or a professional there is a WAAPA short course for you. Taught by industry experts, these weekend, week night and school holiday workshops offer practical tuition in the areas of acting, screen performance, singing, dancing and music theatre. WAAPA's Explore Short Courses are a great way to get a taste of what WAAPA has to offer, allowing you to fine-tune your skills or learn some new ones. The courses are run all year round and are aimed at everyone from school students to young adults to professionals.

[CLICK HERE](#) to find out more.

Remember to let me know if you have any questions or need some advice, as I look forward to helping you discover more about your potential future career.

Best wishes

Miss lasky