

Careers News

Term 3

8 August 2024



Your choices create your future

SATAC Applications

SATAC applications for study in 2025 are now open via www.satac.edu.au

When completing your application, please keep the following tips in mind:

- » Read 'the application process' section on the SATAC website
- » Understand the selection rules and course entry requirements
- » Register for mySATAC using a non-school email address
- » Prepare by having SACE/NTCET/IB registration number ready, as well as any required documents.
- » Be aware of any relevant deadlines such as course closing dates, fee payment deadlines.

UniSA Year 12 Presentation

Tracey Watson from UniSA will be delivering a Pathways Presentation to Year 12 students on Thursday August 22 at 12 noon. She will also have time available for 1:1 student appointments between 1-3pm. If you would like an appointment, please see Mrs Shivvaan.

Open Days

10 August

Flinders University (Bedford Park)

11 August

Flinders University (City Campus)

UniSA (City West & City East Campuses)

The University of Adelaide

25 August

UniSA (Whyalla Campus)

UniSA (Mawson Lakes Campus)

28 August

UniSA (Magill Campus)



Institution Open Days

Date	Event
Tuesday 7 May 2024	Torrens University Virtual Open Day - Design and Creative Technology
Wednesday 8 May 2024	Torrens University Virtual Open Day - Health and Education
Thursday 9 May 2024	Torrens University Virtual Open Day - Business and Hospitality
Friday 10 May 2024	Charles Darwin University Alice Springs Open Day
Saturday 25 May 2024	Charles Darwin University Katherine Rural Open Day
Monday 3 June 2024	TAFE SA Open Day - Barossa Campus
Sunday 4 August 2024	UniSA Open Day - Mount Gambier Campus
Thursday 8 August 2024	Torrens University on campus Open Day
Friday 9 August 2024	Flinders University Bedford Park Open Day
Saturday 10 August 2024	Torrens University on campus Open Day
Saturday 10 August 2024	Flinders University Bedford Park Open Day
Saturday 10 August 2024	Tabor Open Day - Millswood Campus
Sunday 11 August 2024	UniSA Open Day - City West and City East Campus
Sunday 11 August 2024	Flinders University City Campus Open Day
Sunday 11 August 2024	The University of Adelaide Open Day
Wednesday 14 August 2024	TAFE SA Open Day - Mount Gambier Campus
Saturday 17 August 2024	Charles Darwin University Casuarina Open Day
Sunday 25 August 2024	UniSA Open Day - Mawson Lakes Campus
Sunday 25 August 2024	UniSA Open Day - Whyalla Campus
Wednesday 28 August 2024	UniSA Open Day - Magill Campus
Saturday 14 September 2024	Charles Darwin University Palmerston Open Day
Thursday 7 November 2024	TAFE SA Open Day - Murray Bridge Campus



Aquinas College Open Day 2024

no pre-booking required

We would love to see Samaritan College students attend on
Saturday 10 August 10am-4pm

Call in, meet some current students and let them show you around.



Visit our website for more information: www.aquinascollege.edu.au

Aquinas College, 1 Palmer Place, North Adelaide SA 5006



MID NORTH CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

AVIATION COURSE

OPEN DAY

9 AUGUST • 11AM-1PM



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Work Experience

What is work experience?

Work experience is a short work placement undertaken by many Australian high school students, usually in Year 10 or 11. It will likely go for one week, but the exact arrangement will depend on your state and your school. It gives you a unique opportunity to see what it's like to work in a profession you're interested in—so you can start planning your future after high school.

What is the point of Year 10 work experience?

Work experience is designed to get you out of the classroom and give you a chance to learn what it's like to be in a real workplace.

You'll be able to work alongside people in the industry that you might one day be part of, gain some new skills, and build confidence in yourself. It can also be a great thing to put on your resume.

Where can you do work experience in Year 10?

The possibilities are endless. There are all kinds of organisations that are happy to take on work experience students—so it's worth dreaming big.

Think about the kind of job you'd like to have one day. You may be curious about becoming a zookeeper or an engineer or a journalist. Think about what excites you as a possible career path and then work backwards from there.

You will have to stay a little bit realistic, though. It may sound fun to learn how to be a scuba instructor on the Great Barrier Reef—but if you live nowhere near there it might be hard to make it work.

Think about other possibilities that could be a step in the right direction. Perhaps you're generally interested in marine life and there might be a university that's closer to you with a marine biology department. Or maybe your city has an aquarium that you could contact.

It's worth remembering that you may not get your ideal choice of placement—but, even if you end up somewhere that's low down on your list, you'll still learn a lot and meet some interesting people.

How to decide where to do work experience

Some people know exactly where they'd like to do their work experience and others have a harder time choosing. It can be a little daunting to think about.

If you're not quite sure where you want to end up, consider writing a list of all the professions you are interested in and then narrowing down to one or two that you're most passionate about.

Then, start researching companies or organisations that are in your local area—or don't involve too much commuting time. Write a list of any that look interesting to you.

It's also a good time to start thinking about the tertiary study you could do after high school to get into the career you're keen on—and about how the subjects you're taking

can set you up to get there.

If you still feel totally lost, your school careers counsellor may be able to help you out and give you some ideas.

How to write a great cover letter

Whether you're job hunting, applying to scholarships, or trying to nab your dream internship, chances are you'll need a cover letter for your applications. You might be tempted to skip the cover letter step, but if you want to stand out from the crowd and prove your professionalism, a great cover letter can do all that and more.

There's a foolproof format to writing an awesome cover letter, and we're here to show you just how it's done.

Do I really need a cover letter?

Simply put – yes. It's a super important part of any application process, and some employers will even ignore an entire application if the applicant hasn't bothered to include a cover letter. We want you to rise above the rest, so it's key to know how to write a cover letter that gets you noticed and shows off what a great fit you'd be.

How to write a cover letter: step by step

By following these guidelines, you'll never have to stress about what to put in a cover letter again. It's simple, foolproof, and easy to adapt.

1. Tailored opening

Your opening should be specific and personalised. Address the hiring manager by name if possible and mention the position you're applying for. It's the first thing they'll read, so make it count.

For example, "Dear Ms. Smith, I am writing to express my interest in the Summer Internship position at ABC Company."

2. Engaging introduction

Start your cover letter with a brief introduction of yourself. Highlight how you found out about the opportunity and why you are excited about it.

An example might be:

"After learning about the Summer Internship at ABC Company through Study Work Grow, I am thrilled to apply for this position. As a high school student passionate about marketing, I believe this internship aligns perfectly with my career aspirations."

3. Highlight your skills and experience

Clearly state why you are the best fit for the position. Provide specific examples of your skills and experiences that are relevant to the job.

An example of this could be:

"During my time as a member of the school's marketing club, I developed skills in social media management and event planning. I successfully coordinated a fundraising event that raised \$500 for a local charity."

4. Show enthusiasm

Demonstrate your excitement about the opportunity and how it aligns with your career goals. Employers want to see that you are genuinely interested in the position.

For example:

"I am particularly drawn to ABC Company because of your innovative approach to digital marketing. I am eager to contribute my skills and learn from your experienced team."

5. Professional tone

Maintain a respectful and professional tone throughout your cover letter. Avoid slang, abbreviations, or overly casual language.

6. Keep it concise

Your cover letter should be no longer than one page. Be concise and to the point, ensuring that every sentence adds value.

7. Closing

End your cover letter with a polite closing. Thank the hiring manager for their time and express your eagerness for the opportunity. Make sure to include a professional signature with your full name and contact information.

For example:

"Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how I can contribute to ABC Company. Sincerely, [Your Name]"

Tips for success

- **Proofread:** Always proofread your cover letter before sending to catch any typos or errors.
- **Be timely:** Submit your cover letter before the application deadline.
- **Follow up:** If you don't hear back within a reasonable timeframe, it's okay to follow up politely.

Ready to start?

Mastering the art of writing a good cover letter is a skill that will serve you well throughout your academic and professional journey.

By following these guidelines, you'll not only make a positive impression but also enhance your communication skills, which are crucial in today's competitive job market.

Upcoming Events

Our Ocean Our Future

August 13

The ocean is a unique, irreplaceable environment that is home to many living things. This session builds on UNESCO's Ocean literacy principles to help students understand why the ocean is important for all life on Earth.

We'll discuss the pollution problem facing our ocean. We'll learn about real life examples of sustainability and brainstorm achievable ways to help the ocean in our everyday lives.

This Inspiring Australia NSW initiative is supported by the Australian Government as part of National Science Week and proudly brought to you by Virtual Excursions Australia.

[Find out more](#)

Careers in STEM

August 14

Discover the diversity of careers in STEM this National Science Week! Are you interested in collecting rocks? Do you like taking things apart to see how they work? Are you always asking WHY or HOW. If so, join us for a different look into Careers in STEM

During the session there will be several short presentations about their journey to their career and what they love about their jobs. There will be an opportunity to ask questions too.

Find out how your passion can lead to a career.

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Big Ideas and Inspiring Careers: Make an impact with a career in biodiversity science

August 16

Don't miss this unique opportunity to connect with and learn from exceptional women who are addressing some of the most pressing environmental challenges of our time.

Our panellists are carving diverse and remarkable paths in the fields of wildlife biology, conservation, science communication and marine biology. They will share their career journey and the innovative approaches they are taking to develop successful and meaningful careers.

If you want to be inspired to build an exciting career that makes a real difference, join us for this fantastic event!

[Find out more](#)

ACAP | Open Day, Adelaide

August 24, 2024

Open Day is your chance to experience the ACAP difference and find your path in the applied professions. Whether you're interested in Counselling, Psychology, Social Work, Criminology, Law, or Business, ACAP is your pathway to making a difference.

Be part of a workshop, meet our industry-renowned facilitators, and hear all about life as an ACAP student. Join us for a day of exploration and inspiration!

[Find out more](#)

SAE Institute | Open Day 2024, Adelaide

August 24, 2024

Come along to SAE's Open Day and find your future in creative media!

Open Day is your ticket to everything SAE – get a taste of our courses in workshops, explore activations on campus and get some hands-on experience with our state-of-the-art facilities.

[Find out more](#)

University of Adelaide | Annual Criminology Workshop

September 23

Join us for an engaging workshop to explore the field of Criminology at the University of Adelaide. Through a series of interactive sessions led by our esteemed academics, you'll gain insight into our exceptional Criminology program and experience hands-on learning about crime and justice.

[Find out more](#)

Job Spotlight

Teacher's Aide

Teacher's aides help teachers in the classroom by preparing resources, setting up equipment for learning, supervising, and supporting student wellbeing. Their main role is to help students work towards their learning goals and make sure the lessons are understandable by all students. They do this by keeping students on task and ensuring they get the most out of the learning time. Do you enjoy working with children? Are you patient, organised and fun-loving? If the answer is yes, then this career could be a great fit for you.

About you

- Patient & trustworthy
- Behavioural management skills
- Friendly & encouraging
- Creative & interactive
- Collaborative mindset
- Good conflict resolver
- Excellent communicator

What does the job involve?

- Organise classroom resources for lessons
- Provide extra learning support, including one-on-one help for children with special needs
- Carry out basic administrative tasks
- Attend staff & parent-teacher meetings
- Support student behaviour
- Assist with behaviour management
- Update student records

Things you can do now

- Focus on English and Maths at high school
- Find work experience or volunteer in a relevant industry
- Build skills through short courses and microcredentials
- Research qualifications and requirements
- Talk to a teacher's aide to see what a day in their life is like

Future study ideas

Formal qualifications aren't always necessary for this job, but because applications are often highly competitive, having one could help you find a job more easily. Also, once you secure a job, you may be eligible to earn a higher salary bracket if you have some qualifications. As you will be working with children, you'll also need a Working with Children Check, and some employers also require you to have a first aid certificate.

Teacher's Aide
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about you
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the job
Teacher's aides help in the classroom by preparing resources, setting up equipment for learning, supervising, and supporting student wellbeing.

outlook
We expect strong growth over the next five to ten years.

AVERAGE
STARTING ANNUAL SALARY

SUPPORT
PREPARE
GUIDE

INDUSTRY GROWTH
STRONG

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