

Careers News

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REMINDER: SATAC Applications

SATAC applications for study in 2025 are now open via www.satac.edu.au. Remember to submit your application by September 30 to avoid having to pay the late application fee.

Your end-of-year results will be available on Monday December 16 from 8:30am. To avoid being locked out of your Schools Online account and needing to call the SACE Board to reset your password, make sure you can log in now and check that your personal details are correct. Let Mrs Shivvaan know if you have difficulties (If you have forgotten your PIN, it is the first four digits of your birthdate in the format DDMM – e.g., 1 July = 0107).

2025 TechStar Apprenticeship Program

Established in 1957 Emmetts are a leading multi-franchise agricultural equipment group and one of Australia's largest John Deere dealers. With 15 branches covering the broad-acre, viticulture, horticulture and grounds care farming sectors of Victoria and South Australia we are highly regarded in the farming community and believe the key to our success is the people who work for us!

Our tailored 4-year Apprenticeship program will see you work alongside our talented team of qualified Service Mechanics, gaining valuable experience in the workshop and out in the field whilst attending TAFE to complete your Cert III in Agricultural Mechanical Technology.

Spaces are Available at the Following Branch Locations:

South Australia Roseworthy, Kadina, Oakbank, Murray Bridge, Pinnaroo, Renmark, Cleve, & Wudinna.

Things to include in your application:

- A Cover Letter telling us why you would make a good candidate for our Apprenticeship program and which branch location/s are a preference.
- An Up-to-date Resume, including the names and contact details of at least 2 referees.

Beck, our Recruitment Lead, is on hand for any questions to you might have – contact her via email on careers@emmetts.com.au

Scholarship

Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship

Value: \$20,000 AUD

Open date: 2 September 2024

Closing date: 13 January 2025

The Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship was made for talented and inquisitive high school graduates looking to strengthen their passion and expertise in technology to innovate and create new opportunities and inspire good in the world of STEM.

[Find out more](#)

Upcoming Events

University of Adelaide | Annual Criminology Workshop 2024

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](#)

University of Adelaide | Marni Wingku 2024

September 24

Marni Wingku is an immersive on-campus program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander high school students in Years 9-12, run by Wirtu Yarluy Aboriginal Education at the University of Adelaide.

Both students and teachers will participate in innovative, enquiry-based workshops from a range of university disciplines. These workshops are specifically designed to reinforce to students that university is a realistic goal

that will enrich their lives; and empower within them the confidence and direction to pursue their ongoing education and career aspirations.

Registrations close Friday, 13 September 2024.

[Find out more](#)

YLS (Young Leaders Summit) Adelaide

September 25

Led by young leaders, for young leaders, YLS (Young Leaders Summit) is Australia's Premier Youth Leadership Day. It's a one-day, interactive summit designed to inspire and empower a generation of brave and creative young leaders.

YLS is a vibrant, leadership-centric summit that aims to cultivate a cadre of insightful, resilient, and innovative young leaders. Broadening its scope to include all secondary students, YLS offers an invaluable experience not just for established young leaders but for every student. It is designed to inspire participants to embrace a leadership mindset and further develop their inherent leadership qualities.

[Find out more](#)

How to be ready for university

Thinking about heading off to university next year? Exciting times ahead! But we know it can feel a bit overwhelming too. Here's a step-by-step guide to help you prepare and be ready for university.

Research your options

First things first: figure out what and where you want to study. It's a big decision, so take your time and explore your options.

- Look into different courses and universities. What subjects interest you? Which unis offer the best programs in those areas?
- Attend university open days (virtual or in-person) to get a feel for campus life and ask questions.
- Talk to current uni students or recent graduates about their experiences.

Remember, it's okay if you're not 100% sure yet. Many students change their minds or switch courses later on.

Get your studies sorted

Your high school grades can play a big role in university admissions, so it's important to stay focused on your studies.

- Keep your grades up, especially in subjects related to your intended course of study.
- If you're struggling in any subjects, don't be afraid to ask for help. Talk to your teachers or consider getting a tutor.

- Start preparing early for any required entrance exams.

And while we're on the topic of study, another tip is to start building good study habits now. University-level work can be quite different from high school, so having good habits now can set you up for success.

- Practice time management. Try using a planner or digital calendar to organise your tasks and deadlines.
- Learn to study independently. University often involves more self-directed learning than high school.
- Work on your note-taking skills. Try different methods to find what works best for you.

Build your life skills

University isn't just about academics – it's also about learning to be independent. You'll have a lot more freedom as an adult, but a lot more responsibilities too. Here's what we recommend:

- If you don't already, start doing your own laundry and cooking some basic meals.
- Learn to budget. Start tracking your spending and saving habits.
- Practice using public transportation if you'll need it to get to uni.

Start thinking about accommodation

If you're planning to move away from home for university, start thinking about where you'll live.

Research different accommodation options: on-campus housing, shared houses, or staying with relatives.

Consider the pros and cons of each option, including cost, location, and lifestyle.

Make sure you know how you're going to pay and that you'll have enough money.

Take care of your mental health

Preparing for such a big change can be stressful, so remember to look after your mental health.

- Talk to friends, family, or a counsellor about any worries you have.

- Practice self-care activities like exercise, meditation, or hobbies you enjoy.

- Remember, it's normal to feel nervous about this transition.

Enjoy the journey

Remember, everyone's journey to university is different. What works for your friends might not work for you, and that's okay. The most important thing is to stay true to yourself and your goals. Preparing for university is a big task but take it one step at a time and you'll get there before you know it.

Entrepreneurship

Ever dreamt of making your own money without having to rely on your parents or getting paid minimum wage at some big company? It's easier than you think. All it takes is a bit of skill, some motivation, and a good idea. Being a young entrepreneur doesn't mean you need a ton of cash to start—it's all about finding a smart way to earn, with low startup costs, that can grow over time.

Here's the recipe:

- **Skillset:** What are you good at? Whether it's art, organisation, or just a willingness to roll up your sleeves and work hard, identify your strengths.
- **Drive:** Got the energy? Turning a side hustle into a money-maker takes motivation. If you're ready to put in the work, you're already halfway there.
- **Simple marketing:** Get the word out with minimal effort. Use social media, tell your friends, or make flyers. You don't need to spend big bucks on ads.
- **Business model:** Think about how your business will make money. Focus on something that people need regularly, so they keep coming back to you.
- **Low startup costs:** Start small and scale up. Choose a business idea that doesn't need a lot of money to get going.
- **Meet a real need:** Find something people need. Whether it's cleaning, creating, or helping, the more useful your service or product, the more money you can make.
- **Room to improve:** Look for areas where you can be better than the competition. If you can do something a little differently or offer something extra, people will choose you.

You won't believe these can be real businesses

- With these simple ingredients, you can whip up a business that's fun, profitable, and entirely your own. Now, check out these unique and achievable ideas you can start after school, on weekends, or during holidays.

1. Pet poop patrol

It might sound odd, but cleaning up after pets can turn into a money-making machine. All you need

is a bag, a scooper, and a willingness to get your hands dirty (literally). Pet owners who are too busy or just don't want to deal with the mess will gladly pay you to do it for them. As your customer base grows, you could even offer subscription services for weekly clean-ups. It's simple to start and, believe it or not, there's real demand for this.

2. Lawn art business

If you've got an eye for design and love spending time outdoors, why not turn lawns into works of art? Using tools like lawn paint or creative mowing techniques, you can offer to transform plain lawns into something cool and unique. Maybe it's a sports team logo, a fun pattern, or even custom requests. This is a niche idea with room for creativity, and it could catch on fast with neighbours wanting to stand out. Even if you wanted to stick to regular old mowing, you'd be surprised at just how much you can earn when you put effort into something with as much demand as this.

3. Mystery shopper

Ever wanted to get paid to shop? Mystery shopping lets you do just that. Companies pay you to shop at their stores or eat at their restaurants and report back on your experience. It's like being a secret agent but with the perk of making money on the side. This could easily be done in your free time and gives you a chance to explore new places while earning cash.

4. Rent-a-charger service

Got a portable phone charger? You're set to make some money. People are always running out of battery, especially at events, malls, or parks. Offering a quick charge service at a small fee can be a real lifesaver for those in need. It's a low-cost, high-demand service, especially during school events, local gatherings, or places with lots of tourism.

5. Online video game coaching

If you're great at video games, why not coach others? With so many people wanting to improve

their skills in popular games, offering coaching sessions could be your golden ticket. Set up a simple website or promote your services on social media, and you can charge by the hour and even offer bundles for ongoing coaching. Plus, you'll be doing something you love!

6. Subscription snack boxes

People love snacks, especially unique or homemade ones. You can start a small subscription service where you deliver a box of snacks to your customers each month. Whether it's homemade cookies, themed candy, or healthy options, there's a market for tasty treats. As your business grows, you can expand into offering different types of boxes or partnering with local suppliers.

7. Social media manager

Small businesses often need help creating content for their social media, like photos, videos, or posts. If you've got a knack for creating cool content, this could be an excellent way to earn money. You can offer packages where you take photos, create short videos, or even manage their social media for a few hours a week. It's a skill that's in high demand and doesn't require much investment.

Your turn

These ideas are just the beginning. With a little creativity, determination, and the right strategy, you can turn any of these into a successful side hustle. So why wait? Start planning, get the word out, and watch your business take off.

Job Spotlight

Butcher

A butcher's main job is to cut and prepare meat and smallgoods for sale. Butchers are skilled in preparing cuts of meat, ensuring quality, and offering expert advice to customers. They need to have excellent knowledge of an animal's anatomy to ensure there is minimal wastage and be able to operate cutting and processing machines. If you have a passion for food, are prepared to work on your feet, and enjoy making customers happy, this could be a rewarding career for you.

About you

- Physically resilient & fit
- Strong stomach
- Great communication skills
- Good with your hands
- Careful & precise
- Good knife skills & safety
- Impeccable hygiene
- Can work independently

What does the job involve?

- Cut meat from bones & trim fat
- Cut & mince meat to shape
- Prepare marinated & seasoned meat
- Make seasonings, sauces & pickles
- Operate machinery such as grinders
- Advise customers on cooking techniques

- Maintain excellent hygiene standards
- Order & manage inventory

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 hands on work
- Research qualifications and requirements
- Talk to a Butcher to see what a day in their life is like

Future study ideas

The most common pathway into the butchery trade is through an apprenticeship, which usually lasts around three years and combines on-the-job training with classroom-based learning. Depending on where you live, you might also need to acquire specific licenses or certifications to legally work as a butcher.



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