The Good University Guide provides an objective evaluation of the quality of education at every Australian university. The Good Universities Guide can be viewed free of charge on any desktop, laptop or tablet by accessing the following link.

UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY EARLY OFFER YEAR 12
Applications open Wed 6th August
The University of Sydney Early Offer Year 12 program provides university entry to students who may not receive the ATAR needed for entry into a particular course, but have the enthusiasm and commitment for the discipline, and are able to get a recommendation from their school principal. To be eligible, students need to be studying the required perquisites for their desired course, in addition to either studying at a low socioeconomic school as identified by the government, or experiencing financial hardship at the time of application.
http://sydney.edu.au/future-students/domestic/undergraduate/e12/students/index.shtml

UNSW SCHOOL OF MINING ENGINEERING HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION DINNERS
Parramatta: Fri 25th July, 6.30pm – 10.00pm, Mantra Parramatta. The information dinners are for high school students in years 10, 11 and 12 and their families to learn more about studying Mining Engineering. The dinner provides an opportunity for prospective mining engineering students to meet UNSW staff and increase their awareness of the career opportunities available.
http://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/mining-engineering/all-events

UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA OPEN DAY
Sat 30th August, 9.00am – 4.00pm
Speak to academic staff, course advisors and current students to learn about the range of courses available. Attendees can also view demonstrations, displays and get all the information they need about UC. http://www.canberra.edu.au/openday

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE RATED IN THE TOP 10 AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITIES BY GRADUATES
Graduates have rated the University of Newcastle in the top 10 universities for teaching in an official national student survey. In the 2013 Course Experience Questionnaire, UON has achieved a top 10 rating for all three core scales - good teaching, overall student satisfaction and generic skills.

SYDNEY ROYAL DAIRY PRODUCE SCHOLARSHIP 2015
Applications close Tue 30th September
This scholarship is for students who have a passion and the career aspiration of helping to build a successful future for the NSW Dairy Produce Industry.
The scholarship offers $5,000 for full-time study or $2,500 for part-time study, and applicants must be enrolled in or applying for study in any accredited tertiary course at an approved Australian education provider.
NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY
Applications are open for Notre Dame’s Young Achievers Early Offer Program. Through the Program, students who stand out for their commitment to their community and/or church; cultural pursuits; sporting achievements or academic excellence can receive a firm offer for a course of study prior to completing their Year 12 exams.
The Young Achievers Early Offer Program rewards students for more than just their academic potential and is open to current Year 12 students and those who have completed Year 12 within the last five years. Applicants who are not successful in the Early Offer round are automatically rolled into the main application round and do not need to reapply.
Applications close on Monday 1 September 2014.
If you have any queries regarding the Program please do not hesitate to contact the Prospective Students Office on 02 8204 4404 or sydney@nd.edu.au.

SYDNEY ROYAL WINE SCHOLARSHIP
Applications close Tue 30th September
This scholarship is available for students who have a passion and the career aspiration of helping to build a successful future for the Australian Wine Industry.
The scholarship offers $5,000 for full-time study or $2,500 for part-time study, and applicants must be enrolled in or applying for study in any accredited tertiary course at an approved Australian education provider.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF NSW RURAL SCHOLARSHIPS
Applications close Tue 30th September.
These scholarships are available to support students who demonstrate a passion for and a commitment to a career that will ensure the future success of rural and regional NSW.
Scholarships of $5,000 for full-time study or $2,500 for part-time study are available. Applicants must be enrolled in or applying for study in any accredited tertiary course at an approved Australian education provider.

RYDE APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINEESHIP EXPO 29TH JULY
This Expo provides local young people with interactive experiences into various pathways and employment opportunities. Ryde Civic Hall, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde. 3.30-7.30pm FREE EVENT For more information www.facebook.com/RATE2014

HORNSBY APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINEESHIP EXPO 13TH AUGUST
Meet training organisations and employers, pick up job application and job interview tips and find a career that suits you interests. Bring several copies of your resume and a pen, or just come to find out more about possible career pathways. Hornsby War Memorial Hall, 2 High Street, Hornsby. 4-7pm. For more information 0439 041 020.

WILLIAM ANGLISS INSTITUTE OPEN DAY
Sat 13th September, 10.00am – 2.00pm
Meet their staff, students and industry partners and find out more about the programs, life on campus and exciting career opportunities available in these industries.
http://www.angliss.edu.au/syd-open-day

APPRENTICES AND TRAINEES STATISTICAL REPORT
NCVER has released their annual publication which provides a summary of training activity in apprenticeships and traineeships in Australia, including information on training rates and duration of training. Access it here: Apprentices and Trainees Statistical Report

NEW DENTAL ASSISTING PRACTICE QUIZ
The Practice Aptitude Quiz is intended to be a general illustration of some of the key learning standards required of people attempting an Australian Apprenticeships entry level qualification in Dental Assisting. The quiz can be found under ‘Industry Career Information and Quizzes’ on the ‘Career Resources’ page of the Australian Apprenticeship and Traineeships Information Service website.
AIE ONLINE EXPERIENCE DAY  
Sat 6th September, 12.30pm – 4.00pm AEST  
Course overview sessions will be running on the range of online courses in 3D animation, game programming and game design offered by AIE. In addition, Rowan Ziesing, an industry speaker, will provide valuable insights into what the life of an animator is like.  
http://www.aie.edu.au/announcements/online-experience-day-september-6th-2014

AIE INTERVIEW WITH DAVID TONKIN ABOUT AIE COURSES AND VET IN SCHOOLS  
In this interview, David Tonkin, a former student at AIE and animation professional, speaks about the VET in schools program and the knowledge and skillset high school students can gain from these courses.  

LE CORDON BLEU OPEN DAY  
Thu 4th September, 3.00pm – 6.00pm, 250 Blaxland Road, Ryde  
Learn about Le Cordon Bleu’s gastronomy hospitality and management programs and the global work opportunities Le Cordon Bleu can provide. One school will win a professional Le Cordon Bleu Master Chef demonstration at their school, plus one attendee will win a Le Cordon Bleu gift pack containing a professional Wusthof knife set and cookbooks.  

AFTRS SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY COURSES  
The Real Filming Workshop: Mon 22nd September, age 13 – 17 years  
Intro to Game App Design: Mon 22nd September, age 13 – 17 years  
Your Skitting Me – Sketch Comedy: Mon 22nd September, age 12 – 15 years  
Kids Digi Animation: Mon 22nd September, age 9 – 12 years  
Make Me a Stop Motion Movie: Wed 24th September, age 9 – 12 years  
AFTRS Film Club – Light, Camera, Action: Mon 29th September, age 9 – 12 years  
Teens Digi Animation: Mon 29th September, age 13 – 17 years  
Screen Acting: Tue 30th September, Thu 2nd October, age 13 – 17 years  
Writing a Short Film: Tue 30th September, age 15 – 17 years  
Top Motion Movie Making – The next Step: Wed 1st October, age 10 – 13 years  
A 10% early bird discount will be available to bookings made 28 days in advance of the AFTRS school holidays courses.  
http://www.aftrs.edu.au/short-courses/school-holidays

METRO SCREEN CAMERA MASTERCLASSES  
Sat 26th July, 10.00am – 5.00pm  
Led by an award-winning cinematographer, attendees will get hands-on experience and relevant industry insider tips on the Black Magic Cinema Camera. The course will demonstrate all the features and capabilities of the camera with lots of hints and tricks to get the best out of this new technology.  

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY PRE-PROFESSIONAL YEAR 2015  
Applications close Mon 18th August  
Applications are now open for the Sydney Dance Company’s 2015 Pre-Professional Year for Australian and New Zealand dancers aged 18 or older, and those who are turning 18 in 2015. This nationally accredited one year intensive offers students the chance to work with some of Australia’s most successful and award winning choreographers and educators.  
https://www.sydneydancecompany.com/classes-and-courses/ppy/

FREE STUDENT WEBINARS FOR PARENTS STUDENTS AND TEACHERS ON ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY  
Webinar 1: Tue 22nd July, 6.30pm – 7.15pm  
This webinar will provide an overview of some current iPad apps students can use to help overcome literacy difficulties such as text to speech, speech to text, predictive spelling, note taking and mind mapping.  
Webinar 2: Tue 5th August, 6.30pm – 7.15pm  
This webinar will explain a variety of software solutions to assist students with literacy issues such as the free open source program "Mystudybar" and other software for windows based PCs and laptops.  
MY STORY MY CONTENT SHORT FILM COMPETITION
This competition is open to students studying at a primary, secondary or tertiary level. Films should run for no longer than 60 seconds and aim to capture the theme of “Movies ... Make a Difference?”. Must include a reference to film piracy or its impact.
Entries due by Friday 8th August.
http://mystorymycontent.com/

THE SCRIBE NONFICTION PRIZE FOR YOUNG WRITERS
The prize requires writers under 30 to submit a nonfiction piece of any genre such as a memoir, essay or creative nonfiction. Entries must be between 5,000 and 10,000 words in length.
The winner will receive a $1,500 cash prize and get the opportunity to meet with a publisher or an editor to experience the process of working with an editor on their writing.
Entries close Monday 1st September

PROJECTS ABROAD ONLINE BROADCASTS
Projects Abroad’s previous online information broadcasts are available on their website for anyone interested in participating in one of their Alternative Schoolies Projects or High School projects.

YFU STUDENT EXCHANGE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION
Tuesday 29th July, 6:30pm (AEST)
Email yfuaus@yfu.com.au or phone 1800 654 947 to register.

IEP WORKING ADVENTURES WORLDWIDE INFORMATION SESSIONS
Sydney Information Sessions
Thu 7th August, STA Travel Shop, 841 George Street, Sydney
Work USA Information Session: 6.00pm – 6.30pm
Work Canada and Work Canada Job Fair Information Session: 6.30pm – 7.00pm
Work Britain and Work Britain Visa Kick Start Info Session: 7.00pm – 7.30pm

Online Information Sessions
Work Britain and Work Britain Online Visa Kick Start: Mon 11th August, 7.15pm – 7.45pm AEST
Work USA: Mon 11th August, 6.00pm – 6.30pm AEST
Work Canada Job Fair and Work Canada: Mon 11th, 6.30pm – 7.15pm AEST
Summer Camp USA: Wed 11th August, 7.45pm – 8.30pm AEST

AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF MASSAGE
The Australian College of Massage is an accredited massage college offering many short & special courses as well as two main massage qualifications:
• Certificate IV in Massage Therapy Practice
• Diploma of Remedial Massage
Students can study at several campuses in every state in Australia. http://www.studymassage.com.au/

CAREER STRUCTURES AND PATHWAYS FOR PHYSIOTHERAPISTS IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM
This article outlines the recognized career development stages of physiotherapists within the public health system, and how these stages of development relate to wage rates.

ARCHICAREERS DAY
Fri 12th September, 10.00am – 4.00pm, 3 Manning Street Potts Point
The Australian Institute of Architects’ NSW Chapter will be holding a careers’ day for year 11 and 12 students interested in becoming an architect. The day will include an overview of studying architecture, how to prepare your portfolio, flexible pathways to studying architecture, post graduate study, research and career opportunities.
NATIONAL HISTORY CHALLENGE
Entries close Fri 29th August. The National History Challenge encourages students to use research and inquiry based learning to discover more about the past. Students may investigate their community, their own family’s past, and explore ideas through history. Students may present their inquiry in a variety of forms http://historychallenge.org.au/

HOPE AND HOME PROGRAMS
HOPE and HOME aim to contribute to the sustainable development of rural Nepali communities and to provide volunteers with meaningful and socially responsible opportunities for travel, service and cultural exchange. http://www.hopenhome.org/

RALEIGH INTERNATIONAL
Raleigh International is a sustainable development charity with the vision of creating a global community who work together to build a sustainable future for our planet http://www.raleighinternational.org/about-raleigh

RUSTIC PATHWAYS TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES
Rustic Pathways offers four types of programs to students in the Asia-Pacific region. There are four week journeys to 18 countries for school students as well as opportunities during the school holidays. Gap Year programs are also offered for students with numerous month-long adventures along with long-term service placements through the Gap for Good initiative. For School Leavers there are also numerous graduation travel experiences that have recently been offered. http://rusticpathways.com.au/about.php

LATTITUDE GLOBAL VOLUNTEERING
Lattitude organise volunteer positions for young people around the world. If teaching in Vanuatu or becoming an outdoor activities instructor in Canada appeals to you, applications should be submitted by Friday 15th August. http://www.lattitude.org.au/index.php?nodeId=181

BRICKLAYING – A CAREER TO CONSIDER
A Bricklaying Apprenticeship opens many doors to furthering Construction Careers and to having your own business. Bricklaying is a craft trade, with many creative opportunities and suited to students with good hand eye co-ordination. There are many very clever bricklayers who are very prosperous and who stay fit throughout their careers through adopting sound business and personal practices. The same basic maths and science skills are required as in Carpentry. Bricklaying accuracy and skill is fundamental to construction and is respected by architects and builders alike. There is a skill shortage, meaning these Apprentices are quickly signed up and have the security of ongoing employment, compared with other over-subscribed trade courses.

Wage rates are good and employers contribute to the course fee - Bricklaying has the benefit of providing an income, while the student trains and learns onsite and off-site at best practice training establishments. Not like university where the student pays much higher fees and receives no income. Like in any trade, taking a small business course later, if ultimately running one’s own business, makes good sense. To explore Bricklaying as the Course to open doors into Construction, visit www.becomeabricklayer.com.au for a complete review of the career. For more information call 1300 66 44 96

UTS: INSEARCH reveals 3 new diplomas starting in 2015! Design and Architecture, Communication and Science are three new diplomas which have undergone some exciting new enhancements for 2015. Students can now choose from more UTS major’s than ever before including Architecture, Social Media and Life Sciences. To find out more on visit the UTS: INSEARCH website.

AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY (ACAP) INFORMATION EVENING
Wednesday 20 August 2014 at 6:00pm. Come along to ACAP’s Information night and find out more about VET, Bachelor, Honours, Graduate Diploma and Masters programs. Meet the academic team and take a tour of the campus; ACAP staff will be on hand to answer your questions. Level 5, 11 York St Sydney, NSW 2000 (above Wynyard Station). RSVP at http://www.acap.edu.au/future-students/info-sessions/. Email info.acap@navitas.com or call 1800 061 199 for more information.
MY GEEK RULES - THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY AND THE CITY OF SYDNEY invite you to celebrate National Science Week with everyone's favourite Sleek Geeks, Adam Spencer and Dr Karl Kruszelnicki. This massive night of science and comedy will have you laughing so much you won't realise how much you've learnt. Free Event. Wednesday 13 August 2014. Time: 7 - 8.30pm (doors open at 6.30pm), Town Hall, Sydney. Bookings essential http://sydney.edu.au/science/outreach/national_science_week_sleek_geeks.shtml More information email liz.kenna@sydney.edu.au

UNSW PREP
An alternate pathway to UNSW is open to students who qualify for the UNSW ACCESS Scheme, with an ATAR of 50 or over, and Indigenous Students applying through Nura Gili. UNSW Prep is an opportunity for students to study core study skills in smaller classes, complete their first subject’s fee free, take a lighter load and be provided with a conditional UNSW degree place. Students should apply for UNSW Prep through UAC. For more information- www.unsw.edu.au/unswwp17-19.

CHP SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY
The courses at CHP School of Hospitality will allow you to pursue numerous paths in hospitality. ACCREDITED SHORT COURSES (1 – 3 days duration) all leading to Nationally Recognised Statement of Attainment towards Certificate III in Hospitality or Certificate IV in Frontline Management. See the Course Handbook for full details and fees for all courses. • Barista $90 Special • Cafe (includes Barista, Food Service and Hygiene) • Club Security and Risk Assessment • Food & Beverage Attendant (Restaurant and Functions) • Floor / Duty Manager / Supervision Skills. There are many more other courses available. To enrol and for more information, call 9559 0025 or email rto@chprsl.com.au

AMPA MUSIC ACHIEVER AWARD NOMINATIONS Now Open
The $4000.00 Award was established to support talented Year 12 musicians wishing to complete an undergraduate degree in music. One nomination may be submitted per school and should be based on the highest score received for Year 12 Music in 2014. Students who enrol at AMPA will receive a $4,000 award upon successful completion of the first year. Each nominee will receive a certificate. More info: Jo Egan, jo@AMPA.edu.au Entries close November 10.

TEACH NSW
High-achieving HSC students join the first Teach.NSW live Facebook Q&A session on Wednesday 23 July 2014 between 4.30 pm and 6.30 pm: www.facebook.com/events/825276574149863. Teach.NSW representatives will be online to answer questions about the NSW Department of Education and Communities scholarships and cadetships for future teachers. These opportunities could provide the kick start they need to a rewarding teaching career in NSW public schools.

BRADFIELD SENIOR COLLEGE
is having its first Open Day at their new campus location in St Leonards. Students and parents are invited to take a tour of the new facilities, meet the new College Director and discover the wide range of academic and creative subjects on offer, from 4:30 – 7:00pm on Thursday 7 August. Visit bradfieldseniorcollege.com.au or phone 9442 4200 for further information.

AUTOMOTIVE GROUP TRAINING
Traditionally the automotive industry hires apprentices at the start of the year, but this trend is rapidly changing. AGT has assisted many school leavers through regularly attending careers information sessions providing helpful information on career paths and training in the automotive industry. AGT is not an employment agency; AGT hires the apprentice and place them in workshops or dealerships for hands-on practical training. To speak with AGT call (02) 9796 3655, or email mailto:admin@agtwnsw.com.au?subject=Career Advisor

FULL TUITION BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIPS - SP JAIN SCHOOL OF GLOBAL MANAGEMENT
is offering full tuition academic scholarships for those joining their tri-city Bachelor of Business Administration program commencing in 2015. The first year of the course is conducted in Singapore, followed by one year in Dubai and the last two years in Sydney, providing students with knowledge and expertise to functions in a variety of business settings. To request scholarship information email admissions.syd@spjain.org or call 02 8970 6800 http://www.spjain.org/bba
CHINESE PARENTS FORUM
31 July Hornsby Council Chambers, 296 Pacific Highway Hornsby OR 7 August Dougherty Community Centre 7 Victor Street Chatswood. Both 5.30-8.30pm. Delivered in Mandarin. HSC Study Strategies, alternate pathways to uni, ATAR calculation. Keynote speaker is an education consultant from University of Sydney. Q&A session to follow. To register, contact John Woodward, 97777993 or john.woodward@willoughby.nsw.gov.au

UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS
29th July - August 13th. UWS Parent Information Evenings will provide parents, guardians and students with a chance to find out everything they need to know about university. From discovering the way the ATAR works and exploring the full range of options for entry into uni, to speaking with UWS staff and students one-on-one to learn about the opportunities available for your child. Register at www.uws.edu.au/parents

Ms D Janes – Careers Advisor