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# RMIT Career Advisers' Update



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## RMIT Career Advisers' Seminar – save the date!

The annual RMIT Career Advisers' Seminar will be held on **Friday 22 March 2019, 8:30am – 2:30pm** at Storey Hall (Building 16), 336-348 Swanston St, Melbourne.

We are currently finalising an exciting agenda. Further information will be uploaded to our website and invitations will be distributed by mail and email at the end of February. So please keep an eye out!

## RMIT Extension Studies

In January, an Orientation session was held to welcome the new [RMIT Extension studies](#) students. We had an overwhelming response from the students, parents and academics who were all very passionate about this exciting program. The students were given a taste of University life and a tour to familiarise themselves with the world-class facilities and fantastic support services available at RMIT! Applications have closed for this year, 2020 applications will open August 2019.

## Indigenous Orientation Program

Ngarara Willim supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students applying to study and who are studying at RMIT. Ngarara Willim offers new Indigenous Students our Gama-dji Orientation program where they will get a head start on their student journey. It's a great way to meet other students, learn study skills, explore their culture and get to know about RMIT services and Melbourne. This ensures they feel comfortable and less stressed for the beginning of their academic journey. If you have any Indigenous students or would like to know more please contact Ngarara Willim on 03 9925 4885.

## What's on at RMIT

<a href="#">Disruptive Design @ The Sustainable Living Festival</a> Birrarung Marr	Saturday 9 February
<a href="#">The Model Citizen Exhibition</a> RMIT Gallery, 344 Swanston St	Friday 8 February to Saturday 23 March
<a href="#">Australian International Airshow</a> Avalon Airport	Tuesday 26 February to Sunday 3 March
<a href="#">RMIT Orientation Welcome activities</a> All campuses	Tuesday 12 February to Thursday 28 February
RMIT Career Advisers' Seminar Storey Hall, City campus	Friday 22 March
RMIT Open Day, Bundoora campus	Sunday 4 August
RMIT Open Day, City and Brunswick campuses	Sunday 11 August

## Welcome to our new RMIT students

For Semester 1, 2019, RMIT received 66,147 applications from domestic students for undergraduate and VE courses (VTAC preferences and direct applications). So far, RMIT has made 13,961 offers and we are continuing to assist students with their enrolments.

To welcome our new and returning students we are preparing a festival of [Orientation Welcome activities](#) across all three Melbourne campuses.



Kevin Moore, Manager, Indigenous Community Business, welcomes indigenous students

### Science students on Fiji study tour

Undergraduate students studying science and engineering travelled to Yasawa Islands, Fiji in November on a study tour to survey coral reefs. The student and academic team worked with local communities to look at reef health and identify any threats to reef ecosystems. The student work will contribute to encouraging national recognition and regulation of marine protected areas in Fiji.



RMIT science and engineering students on a study tour in Fiji

### Experience science at RMIT

Over the summer holidays, RMIT science students joined staff to deliver a range of science experiences for school students both regionally and at our City campus.

The RMIT Regional STEM Roadshow was supported by Boeing. The roadshow travelled to Kerang, Kyabram and Echuca where the student team delivered hands on interdisciplinary STEM workshops, science shows and careers sessions to over 400 primary and high school students.

Meanwhile on campus, RMIT hosted over one hundred Year 10 students for the ConocoPhillips Science Experience. The high school students from all over Victoria took part in three days of hands on workshops, excursions, and lectures all focusing on problem solving, collaboration and the multidisciplinary nature of being a STEM professional.



Year 10 students at RMIT for the ConocoPhillips Science Experience

If you would like to have RMIT Science students speak to your students, please contact the Student Recruitment team on 03 9925 2555 or [student.recruitment@rmit.edu.au](mailto:student.recruitment@rmit.edu.au)

### Howzat! New partnership with the Melbourne Renegades cricket team

RMIT has recently partnered with the Big Bash League (BBL) cricket team the Melbourne Renegades, adding to our existing strong connections with professional sport, and industry.

Over the summer a group of selected students have been lucky enough to attend home games, test matches, and members-only training sessions for free, they were also even given VIP sideline seats at one of the games! Our IT students have tested out wearable devices on players, Journalism students have interviewed team members and covered game commentary, and Health Science students have taken fast-bowler Kane Richardson through our facilities to learn about everything from Exercise and Sports Science, to Chinese Medicine to Sports Nutrition.

There will be many more exciting opportunities both on and off the field over the coming year so stay tuned for updates. #getonred

[Find out more about the launch of this partnership.](#)



### Trade Taster - work experience and immersion

RMIT school of vocational engineering, health and science are offering schools the opportunity for their students to engage in trades taster programs. RMIT can offer groups of students the opportunity to complete a basic trade introduction program, this program may be arranged during the students' work experience week with possible work placement.

We can also offer students an Immersion program, consisting of a week-long program where students learn basic carpentry, electrical and plumbing skills to produce a cubby house/garden shed.

To discuss the programs contact Debbie Reynold, Senior Manager, Business Development, on 0419 259 628 or [debbie.reynolds@rmit.edu.au](mailto:debbie.reynolds@rmit.edu.au)

## 2019 Prep library bags' winning design

Top Designs student Emma Panozza is the winner of the 2019 Victorian State Government Prep library bag design competition.

Emma is currently studying communication design at RMIT University, and she will be presented with an Apple iPad as part of the prize for the winning design. She will also spend a day with the Department of Education and Training's Design Studio for valuable hands-on experience.

The theme of this year's competition was 'Read and Grow' to mark the first time free books will be included in the bags. Emma's design is featured on 65,000 Prep bags distributed across Victoria.

Learn more about our [Bachelor of Design \(Communication Design\)](#).



Emma Panozza's award winning Prep library bag design

## Taking steps on our reconciliation journey

RMIT has taken a significant step in its reconciliation journey by officially launching Bundyi Girri (pronounced Boongee Gear-ri). It is the University wide change strategy which supports non-Indigenous people into an awareness of their place, role and ongoing responsibility in their relationship with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

All RMIT staff and students, and the institution itself, have a relationship with eastern Kulin Nation sovereignty. Bundyi Girri enables the resetting and strengthening of that relationship.

We are proud to say that Bundyi Girri has not been attempted anywhere else in the world.

## Short Courses

Short courses are a valuable way for secondary school students to experience RMIT to learn practical skills in a supported university environment. Students must be 16+ years old to enrol.

The [January - June 2019 course guide](#) is out now, download today or email [enquiries@rmit.edu.au](mailto:enquiries@rmit.edu.au) to request hard copies for your school.



## New Women's Football Academy to kick off



Bachelor of Health, Physical Education and Sport (Secondary) student, Hayley Bullas, was named as the Academy's first ambassador

RMIT Bachelor of Applied Science (Health and Physical Education) student Hayley Bullas has been selected as a Women's Football Academy ambassador. A tackling machine, gun midfielder and the youngest member of the extended Essendon VFLW leadership group, Hayley became the first Essendon VFLW player to be selected in the 2018 VFL Women's Team of the Year, before taking out the club's Best and Fairest for season 2018.

The new Women's Football Academy will create education and development pathways for students and elite athletes and encourage greater participation in women's football. Leveraging world-class facilities at our Bundoora Sports Precinct, the new Academy will open just in time for the 2019 season. It will offer a pathway from beginners through to the elite, with opportunities available beyond the field, ranging from Coaching to Exercise and Health Sciences, from Media and Communication to Business.

The Academy will field two new women's teams under the RMIT Redbacks name and will provide an inclusive environment for RMIT students and the community to become more involved in women's football.

Further information about our exciting revamped [Bachelor of Health, Physical Education and Sport \(Secondary\)](#).

## Student Experience presentations

RMIT has enlisted a tribe of enthusiastic and engaging current students to present to secondary school groups. These talented current students are now ready to present on their course areas, including their personal experiences choosing, applying to and navigating through tertiary study.

Please contact the Student Recruitment team to discuss booking speakers in these areas to speak to your students

- Art, Design and Architecture
- Business
- Engineering
- Health and Biomedical Science
- Media and Communication
- Science

[Request RMIT to attend any of your school events online.](#)

### Update your school contact details

Do you have a new phone number or email address, or a new staff member in your Careers office?

[Please contact us to ensure that we have your details.](#)

### Career Advisers' hub

All [relevant information for Career Advisers](#) and interested secondary school staff can be found on a dedicated page of the RMIT website. Please take a look and always feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions for other information that you would like to see added to the page.

### Farewell

After sixteen years of dedicated service, always delivered with a smile, we will sadly say farewell to Melissa Robinson on Friday 22 February. All the advice that Melissa has shared with prospective students has encouraged her to review her career path and return to full time study herself. Melissa will be studying a Bachelor of Education (Primary) over the next few years and we wish her all the very best.



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