La Trobe University Aspire program - now open: Aspire is an early entry program, which recognises community service, volunteering and leadership as well as the ATAR during the selection process. If you are in Year 12 and will be applying for a La Trobe course via the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) this year, you may be eligible for the Aspire program. If you are accepted into the program, you will be able to gain entry into your desired course with a lower ATAR. You will still need to meet the prerequisite requirements. For information on how to apply for Aspire and to view the minimum course ATARs, go to http://bit.ly/1cXetap

Sport at La Trobe University: La Trobe offers sports degrees in:

- Physiotherapy
- Sports Journalism
- Physical Education
- Outdoor Education
- Sports Management
- Sports Development & Sports Management
- Exercise Science
- Exercise Physiology
- Podiatry
- Prosthetics and Orthotics

The university aims to be one of Australia’s leading sports institutions. To find out about their programs in sports education and research, go to www.latrobe.edu.au/sport

Australian School of Business (ASB) ‘Pulse’ on Youtube: The ASB at the University of New South Wales posts a weekly video called Pulse that provides updates on what is going on in the faculty and gives insights into a key business issue each week. To search the YouTube channel, go to http://bit.ly/1ENyXZp

Passionate about becoming a pilot? The Associate Degree in Aviation (Professional Pilots) at RMIT is designed to provide students with value-enhancing capabilities for the aviation industry. In addition to obtaining an associate degree, students will develop the necessary skills to obtain a full commercial pilot’s license. For more information, go to www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad023

Have you considered international logistics? The maritime and logistics industries are booming. Thanks to international trade and online shopping, there are more goods and services being transported around the globe than ever before. Studying International Logistics at the Australian Maritime College in Tasmania will open the door to a career that offers graduates excellent earning potential and worldwide opportunities, http://bit.ly/1FOHrTW

Scholarships!!! Think Education Group has released details of scholarships for their 2016 course intake. Scholarships are available for the following Sydney and Melbourne based institutions:

- Billy Blue College of Design
- CATC Design School
- APM College of Business and Communication
- William Blue College of Hospitality Management
- Australian National College of Beauty
- Australian College of Natural Therapies
- Jansen Newman Institute
- Southern School of Natural Therapies

For information about the scholarships and upcoming open days, go to www.think.edu.au
Bachelor of Biosecurity Science at Box Hill Institute: This course is designed for people looking to protect Australia and its environment from the threat of invasive animals, plants, pests and disease. Developed with industry and government input, this is the only dedicated undergraduate biosecurity science degree in Australia. Graduates from this course will find work in:

• The new national Post-Entry Quarantine facility to be constructed by 2017 in Melbourne
• Agriculture, nurseries and wineries
• Animal facilities
• Food processing facilities
• Parks and wildlife

For more information, go to http://bit.ly/1K462ar

Global Leadership Program at Macquarie University, Sydney: This is an extra curricular program that can be undertaken alongside any degree at Macquarie. It provides students with unparalleled opportunities to enhance their study experience and develop leadership skills. The program has been design so students not only learn global skills and understanding, but put them into practice by studying, volunteering and participating in activities in Australia and overseas. For information, go to http://bit.ly/1DtKyAS

My University website: This website allows you to select and compare the cost and selection criteria of similar courses, compare statistical data between universities, find courses across Australia, and compare graduate outcomes and student satisfaction data between universities and courses. This website will assist you to make an informed decision about your future course choices. Go to www.myuniversity.gov.au/

JMC Music Masterclass and Workshops: JMC Academy is a private college at South Melbourne. The institute offers vocational and higher education courses in sound production, audio engineering and music performance. As part of their partnership with Berklee College of Music’s International Network, JMC will be running free music workshops for high school students facilitated by JMC Academy and Berklee staff and professors on Tuesday 30 June. For information and to register, go to http://bit.ly/1M3L2jd

Interested in becoming a pilot, firefighter, or paramedic etc.? The Pilot Aptitude Training Systems (PATS) website explains the processes for Year 12 completers to apply for these different courses and occupations. It also explains the process for applying to the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA). To view the site, go to www.pilotaptitude.com

Interested in Veterinary Nursing? This is a fantastic occupation for those who are passionate about working with animals. Veterinary Nurses assist Veterinarians in all aspect of animal patient care, including surgical procedures, laboratory testing, medical treatment, and consultations.

To become a qualified Veterinary Nurse, you usually have to study the Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing whilst undertaking paid employment in a Vet clinic. This can be completed through a traineeship or online study. Once qualified, you can undertake further study to specialise in dental, surgical or emergency and critical care. For information on this occupation, go to http://bit.ly/1d96FCv

You may also consider studying a paraprofessional qualification at the university level:

• Associate Degree in Veterinary Nursing, Melbourne Polytechnic: This is the first paraprofessional veterinary nursing qualification of its type in Australia, http://bit.ly/1JdNWUe

• Bachelor of Veterinary Technology, Charles Sturt University: this course will take three years to complete and can be undertaken at the Wagga Wagga campus or online, http://bit.ly/1BCc1w4
Are you passionate about science? Have you considered studying pharmaceutical science? This is the chemistry, biology and technology of medicines. It plays a core role in improving human health and wellbeing by researching and developing reliable, accessible and effective treatments for patients.

You can study Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at the following Victorian universities:

- La Trobe University, [http://bit.ly/1GgeCDg](http://bit.ly/1GgeCDg)

New courses at Australia National University (ANU), Canberra

- Bachelor of Finance, Economics, and Statistics (Honours): This is a four-year elite honours program, which is unique in Australia, as each student will study under the guidance of a mentor – an academic with a world-class reputation in his or her area of expertise. Graduates will be recognised for exceptional aptitude for quantitative financial analysis, conceptual thinking about claims on resources using statistics, and problem solving skills combining economic tuition and mathematical techniques, [http://bit.ly/1M3FMfn](http://bit.ly/1M3FMfn)
- Bachelor of Political Science: This course is unique in Australia, offering unparalleled access and connections to the political heartbeat of the nation. Students will examine political science theory, public opinion, political economy, and government behavior etc. Students will be able to undertake an internship, choosing from locations such as Australian Parliament House, ACT Legislative Assembly and US Congress in Washington DC. ANU is ranked 1st in Australia for politics and 7th in the world, [http://bit.ly/1I4v7Qt](http://bit.ly/1I4v7Qt)

Creative students: are encouraged to enter the Collision competition, which focuses in particle physics. Collision is an online competition designed for students to create their own representation of particle physics. To enter, students must submit an artwork on the Collision website. This year’s theme is “the large Hadron Collider has restarted…what we will find this time?” Submissions close Sunday 23 August. Go to [www.collision.org.au](http://www.collision.org.au)