

For your information

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1. VTAC Privacy Policy

VTAC is currently in the process of developing its privacy policy. The first step is to seek permission from Year 11 and 12 students to upload the VTAC application database and VTAC CourseLink with data collected by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority.

As many schools are already aware VTAC is the only admission centre to provide schools with student data. We provide this data to support your counselling and information provision of students, the process is unique to Victoria.

Because VTAC CourseLink allows us to transfer student data to schools, VTAC must obtain separate permission from the student to send their data ie preferences, ENTER and offers back to schools. Under the privacy legislation, where a student(s) withholds permission VTAC will be unable to include that student's data on either file. VTAC has no alternative but to continue down this path.

As you will appreciate, the administration of this process is enormous and not possible without your school's cooperation. After considerable consultation with a number of careers groups we propose the following course of action:

1. VTAC will provide schools with an online proforma for each student. The proforma will include the student name, address, date of birth and VCAA student number. There will also be a blank proforma for students not included on the VCAA file.
2. A proforma will have to be printed off the program for each student at your school.
3. We then ask that you request your students to complete the proforma by a set date (yet to be determined). At this stage we anticipate one question with a yes/no response ie. either the student approves all VTAC data to be sent to the school for counselling and information purposes or not.
4. Your school will need to collect this form and separate the 'yes' group from the 'no' group. It is the schools responsibility to store these forms in a safe and accessible manner for a period of 12 months from the time of collection. The forms will be used to assist VTAC and/or the National Privacy Commissioner with any queries, complaints or grievances instigated by a student(s). The forms will be audited by VTAC or the National Privacy Commissioner should any complaint or grievance be lodged by the student(s).
5. The school nominee will then be asked to complete a simple online proforma, containing a list of students and provide VTAC with a summary of responses. We intend to design the proforma so that minimum time and interaction is required by schools.
6. The schools will have a one week window to complete this online form (date yet to be announced) and submit it back to VTAC. If a school does not complete the online proform, VTAC will assume that no student has granted permission to release their data and as a consequence no data will be released to that school.
7. Notes:
 - i) Initially VTAC considered getting students to complete an online form, however with some schools suggesting they would do this on behalf of their students, the room for error was too great
 - ii) Schools will be notified in early May of the final arrangements and timelines associated with this process.

The suggested procedures are not perfect and if you or your group can come up with any constructive ideas on how this process could be better administered, then please address your ideas to Suzanne Connelly, Deputy Director, Publications and Information Services VTAC by no later than Friday 26 April 2002.

As you can see the process requires the cooperation of schools on a number of fronts. However with the majority of support from secondary schools VTAC will be able to continue with its practice of transferring student data to schools. Unfortunately if this support does not continue, VTAC does not have the resources to administer this process and will have to discontinue transferring student data to secondary schools.

2003

VTAC Guide 2003
online ordering
closes 5pm
March 28

Institutional updates

La Trobe University

VICTER 2003

Study score change

■ Arts/Science–Bundoora

Prerequisites: Units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least **20** in English (any), and a study score of at least **20** in either mathematical methods or specialist mathematics.

VICTER 2004

Selection mode and middle-band clarification:

■ Occupational Therapy

■ Occupational Therapy/Behavioural Science

■ Prosthetics and Orthotics

■ Podiatry

■ Speech Pathology

Selection Mode: ENTER and two stage process with a middle band of approximately 20%.

Middle Band: Relevant employment or work experience (eg as a health professional aide) during and /or subsequent to secondary schooling may be considered. A demonstrable interest in the relevant discipline (eg. as a health professional aide) may be taken into account.

■ Physiotherapy

Selection Mode: ENTER and two-stage process with a middle-band of approximately 20%.

Swinburne University of Technology

Prerequisite clarification/notice:

■ Engineering–Vice Chancellor’s Scholarship Program

(Hawthorn)

Prerequisites: Applicants must achieve an ENTER of 95.00 or greater to be eligible for the program. The program is available for the single Bachelor of Engineering degree (any discipline) or any double degree combination that includes the Bachelor of Engineering (any discipline), and applicants should refer to the specific prerequisites for these courses.

No applicant will be disadvantaged if they meet the prerequisites as previously published.

Selection mode: ENTER of 95 or greater.

Course name changes 2003 and beyond

From: Tourism and Enterprise Management (Lilydale)

To: Tourism and Management (Lilydale)

From: Tourism and Enterprise Management/Hospitality Management (Lilydale)

To: Tourism and Management/Hospitality Management (Lilydale)

From: Biochemistry/Chemistry (Hawthorn)

To: Biochemistry (Hawthorn)

From: Environmental Health Management (Hawthorn) **VICTER 2003**
Public Health Management (Hawthorn) **VICTER 2004**

To: Public and Environmental Health (Hawthorn)

From: Multimedia Business Marketing (Hawthorn) **VICTER 2003**
Multimedia & Business Marketing (Hawthorn) **VICTER 2004**

To: Multimedia – Business Marketing (Hawthorn)

From: Multimedia Media Studies (Hawthorn) **VICTER 2003**
Multimedia & Media Studies (Hawthorn) **VICTER 2004**

To: Multimedia – Media Studies (Hawthorn)

From: Multimedia Networks and Computing (Hawthorn) **VICTER 2003**
Multimedia & Networks & Computing **VICTER 2004**

To: Multimedia – Networks and Computing (Hawthorn)

From: Multimedia Networks and Computing/
Telecommunications and Internet Technologies
(Hawthorn) **VICTER 2003, VICTER 2004**

To: Multimedia – Networks and Computing/
Telecommunications (Hawthorn)

UMAT 2002 Notice

If you intend on applying for one of these courses in 2003 you will need to register for Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT).

- The University of Melbourne (medicine – undergraduate entry program, dental science, physiotherapy, oral health therapy)
- Monash University (medicine)

Register by: **Friday 14 June 2002**

Test date: Wednesday 31 July 2002

Registration material available from April.

Contact the UMAT office:

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