

## CAREER COACHING SESSIONS – 10 OCTOBER

Our Year 12 One-on-One Career Coaching sessions are being held again this year. The one-on-one sessions run for 20 minutes with the following universities/institutions attending:

- Griffith University
- Bond University
- QUT
- The University of Queensland
- Southern Cross University
- TAFE Qld
- Australian Defence Force (from 12.40pm)
- MAS National (Apprenticeship Services)
- The Australian Catholic University (via Zoom only)

This event is being held in Term 4, Week 2 – Monday 10 October between 9.00am and 2.40pm in the library. Students will be permitted to leave classes for their interview/s. **This day has been designed so that parents/caregivers can attend with their child.** Students/parents can choose to meet with one or more of the representatives.

This is an excellent opportunity which should be taken up by **ALL university bound students** as well as those considering a **TAFE** or **Defence Force** journey. Students/parents who have questions regarding the **apprenticeship/traineeship** process should book an interview time with MAS National.

Bookings can be made by contacting Mrs Terri Webster via email: [terri.webster@marymount.qld.edu.au](mailto:terri.webster@marymount.qld.edu.au) or on 5586 1073.

## SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY

The Early Offer program allows students to secure their place in a Southern Cross University degree before their Year 12 results are even released. It's designed to remove some of the pressure from Year 12 and give them a pathway directly into university study that is not based solely on their Year 12 results. Applications are now open and due to close 30 September. <https://www.scu.edu.au/early-offer/#read-more>

## GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY

**Griffith Scholarships:** Applying for a scholarship is free and simple. You can apply for multiple scholarships with just the one application form. Scholarships are a great way to help fund your studies. Applying for scholarships is separate to applying for a place at university.

[Search for scholarships >>](#)

**Year 12 Early Offer Guarantee:** Want more certainty about your future? You may be eligible to receive an offer to study at Griffith before results are released. You can choose from more than 80 degrees, now including engineering and advanced degrees. Submit your QTAC application before 17 October.

[View the guarantee >>](#)

**Undergraduate Diplomas:** Might not get the ATAR you need for your desired degree? Griffith Uni are introducing eight undergraduate diplomas for 2023 entry. The diplomas give students a supported start to university studies to help them transition to their chosen Bachelor degree. For example, if a student just misses out on the ATAR cut-off for a range of Bachelor degrees, they can first complete one of the matching Undergraduate Diplomas to gain entry. Once students have successfully completed the Diploma, they'll be offered guaranteed entry into the second year of the corresponding Bachelor degree. Other benefits for Diploma students include spending their first year alongside peers in the Bachelor degree and finishing in the

same amount of time, at no extra cost. For more information, go to Griffith's [undergraduate diploma webpage](#) or contact their team on [1800 073 875](tel:1800073875).

## AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

**Navy Aviation Roles:** Students will be able to experience some of the world's most technologically-advanced helicopters, choosing from a variety of [Navy aviation roles](#) in the cockpit, in trades, or as support. They will receive a competitive salary package, benefits, opportunities for continuous progression, job security and an adventurous lifestyle. No experience is needed, they'll be paid to gain all the skills needed for the role and if they have relevant experience or qualifications, they may be eligible for recognition of prior learning. Browse the roles below to find out more about an aviation career in the Navy:



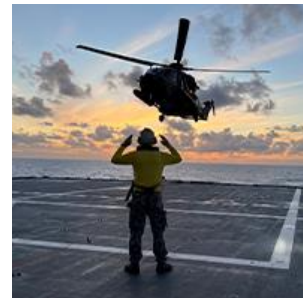
**[Aviation Technician](#) / [Aviation Systems Technician](#):** Maintain the most technically-advanced helicopters in Australia. You will be responsible for the maintenance, repair and overhaul of aircraft systems, equipment and components for the Seahawk Romeo helicopters.

**[Helicopter Mission Commander](#):** Take the jump seat in a state-of-the-art Navy helicopter working alongside the pilot to manage navigation, tactical communications, weapons, and sensor systems.



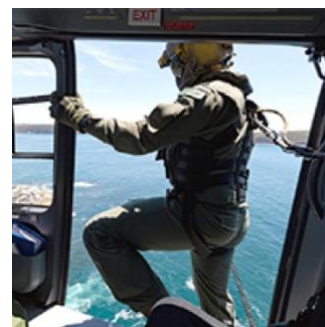
**[Drone Mission Commander](#):** Operate advanced tactical drones participating in surface warfare, search and rescue missions and amphibious operations onboard ships or at Navy Air Stations.

**[Flight Deck Marshal](#):** Plan, execute, secure and oversee all helicopter ground handling on Navy squadron flight lines and onboard the ship's flight deck and hangars.



**[Helicopter Pilot](#):** Operate some of the world's most sophisticated helicopters, taking to the sky to accomplish diverse missions at sea and ashore. You'll be performing duties such as landing safely on moving ships at sea, search and rescue, medical evacuation or hovering above submarines.

**Aircrew:** Operate and manage the sensors, weaponry and radar onboard a Navy helicopter. You'll be a key part of the action contributing to the success of a range of missions including search and rescue, aerial weapon support, casualty evacuation and combat operations.



The **Defence Work Experience Program (DWEP)** is a national Youth Program that provides young Australians with an interest in a Defence career the opportunity to gain exposure to a range of job roles available within Defence and the Australian Public Service. Defence work experience activities are designed to be hands on and interactive so that young people can make informed career decisions. The following programs are now taking applications online with others to follow as the year progresses:

PROGRAM NAME	PROGRAM DATES	APPLICATIONS CLOSE	LOCATION
Army Familiarisation Program	21-23 November	3 October	Gallipoli Barracks

Applications may close before the advertised date if large volumes are received. Students are advised places are limited and are strongly encouraged to submit complete and considered applications as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Please contact the Careers Centre for further information.

### YOUNG ENDEAVOUR YOUTH SCHEME – SAIL TRAINING 2023 – YEAR 12

Applications are now open for youth development voyages. The *Young Endeavour* is a specially designed and purpose-built boat for sail training. Together, 24 youth from across Australia make up the youth crew and learn how to keep watch on deck, handle lines, take the helm, navigate using the ship's electronic charts, assist the chef in the gally and climb the 30 metre mast to set and furl sails. No sailing experience is required, only a willingness to give everything a try. Voyages last for 11 days. The program is delivered by the professional Royal Australian Navy staff crew who ensure that the highest standards of safety are maintained. For more detailed information, please contact the Careers Centre.

### STUDENTS INTERESTED IN TERTIARY EDUCATION IN THE US

The Southport School is once again hosting the PSAT/NMSQT as scheduled by U.S. College Board on **Saturday 15 October 2022 @ 8:00am**. The U.S. College pathway is a very real and exciting opportunity, with several thousand colleges offering multitudes of majors with accompanying scholarships of varying value. The first stage of deciding if U.S. tertiary studies are a good fit for you and your future, is to sit the upcoming PSAT at TSS (internationally accredited testing centre with College Board USA).

What is the PSAT? The PSAT is a standardised test directed at both Year 10 and Year 11 students who have aspirations of completing Year 12 before heading on to college in the USA via an academic pathway and/or athletic scholarship. The October PSAT (termed the PSAT/NMSQT) is used to **determine eligibility and qualification for the National Merit Scholarship Program**. Competition is tough, however students with top PSAT/NMSQT scores can be awarded significant scholarships. TSS offers the following tests on recommended timeline below:

- YEAR 10: First PSAT
- YEAR 11: Second PSAT
- YEAR 12: SAT (usually taken twice in Year 12)

PSAT administrations usually fill to capacity therefore we encourage you to register as soon as possible to ensure your place in the testing cohort. Please contact the Careers Centre here at the College to be given further information and details on how to register.

### GAP YEAR IN AGRICULTURE

Ever considered a gap year in Agriculture? A program called Ag Career Start which is supported by the National Farmers Association, gives students the opportunity to start their career in Agriculture.

Ag Career Start is a 10-12 month gap-year program designed to kick-start your career in farming. If you're under 25 and at the start of your career, it's a great way to learn new skills, apply your knowledge and build your confidence. As a participant you will:

- Get matched with a host-farmer based on your skills and interests
- Work and earn for 10-12 months
- Receive training, mentoring and support to complete a VET course
- Enjoy access to industry events and a network of industry members and peers

They are looking for applicants who have a can-do attitude and are prepared to learn something new - **no agricultural experience is required**. Applications close 12 October 2022. Click on the link if you are interested in applying. <https://agcareerstart.com.au/about/>

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

- If you are interested in Land Surveying, a Surveying and Town Planning business who have offices in Tweed Heads, Nerang and Murwillumbah have a position available in their **Nerang** office. The employer would prefer a student who has completed the top level Maths over Years 11 & 12. Science subjects would also be an advantage (i.e. physics / mechanics), but is not necessary. The position will be for someone who is looking to enter into the USQ "Spatial Science – Surveying" course. This course can be full time or via distance education. Hence, the employer is flexible. They have suggested if you were keen on fulltime work, you could still handle 2 University subjects per semester. Or if you wish to study full time, they could offer work during the semester breaks. The position has potential for 2 students sharing the role as well. Please contact the Careers Centre if you would like to apply.
- TNR (Thomas Noble and Russell) is a locally based accountancy and advisory firm continually growing throughout Northern NSW and SE Queensland that employs around 6 undergraduate accountants each year such as school leavers who commence their university study part time. Unlike the usual traineeship programs, TNR retain their undergraduates after they graduate and support them through the next phase of the student's career, such as completion of the Chartered Accountants (CA Program) and beyond. They are currently interviewing and recruiting for their 2023 cohort and are after students with good verbal and written communication skills and happy to offer employment based on results to date which takes the pressure off the usual ATAR path. If interested, email your application to [hr@tnr.com.au](mailto:hr@tnr.com.au) or call (02) 6626 3000 for further information.

### 2022 SCHOOL-BASED TRAINEESHIPS

School-Based Traineeship opportunities are managed through the Careers Centre. Now is the perfect time for Year 10 - 11 Non ATAR students to consider securing a position which provides paid employment, hands-on work experience and a certificate qualification upon completion. Students **MUST** speak to Mr Hamilton or Terri Webster in the Careers Centre before applying for a SbT. A few stand out opportunities are:

City Venue Management: Currently on the lookout for Year 10 and 11 students interested in completing a SbT at their Site Support office. Students will complete a Certificate III in Business while gaining basic administration knowledge and experience within the Human Resources, Marketing and Finance departments.

Airport Retail Enterprises: ARE manage many of the cafes, restaurants and fast food outlets at Coolangatta Airport. They are looking for enthusiastic and energetic applicants for their traineeships. Students will rotate through a range of outlets including fast food, cafe and retail. Students must be available to work weekends and a Thursday.

Aurora Training Institute is looking for a school-based trainee to assist the Education Support Coordinator at their Robina campus. The lucky trainee will be exposed to a variety of admin-based tasks and get the chance to work with a fun team!

Paradise Resort: Voted Australia's Best Family Resort for the 11th year in a row. This traineeship is perfect for someone who wants to learn the ins and outs of the hotel industry. Jobs vary from housekeeping, food and beverage service, functions and more! Applicants with additional availability outside of the one day per week will be at an advantage.

You can view all current opportunities via the link below:

<http://www.marymount.qld.edu.au/Careers/Traineeships/Pages/Current-Opportunities.aspx>