

CHANGE OF PREFERENCE

INTRODUCTION

This information is for Year 12 students who have applied for vocational and/or university courses through the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC).

Change of Preference (CoP) gives you the chance to **add, delete** and **reorder your preferences**. If you receive an offer, you will be offered the **course highest on your preference list you are eligible for** (you have met the ATAR and selection criteria requirements). It is also the last chance you have to make sure your preference list reflects what you would like to study in the future.

When can I apply?

You can apply to change your preferences any time between **10.00am Monday 20 November – 12.00pm (noon) Wednesday 20 December**. You will be able to change your preferences again after the main round of offers on Tuesday 16 January, but most courses offers are made in this round.

How do I apply?

You can change your preferences as many times as you like during the CoP period. If you delete certain courses you will not be able to add them into your preference list again (e.g., medicine).

1. Using your VTAC ID number and pin, login to your VTAC account at www.vtac.edu.au
2. In your VTAC Account, click on the Change Undergraduate Preferences link.
3. Change your preferences and click submit.

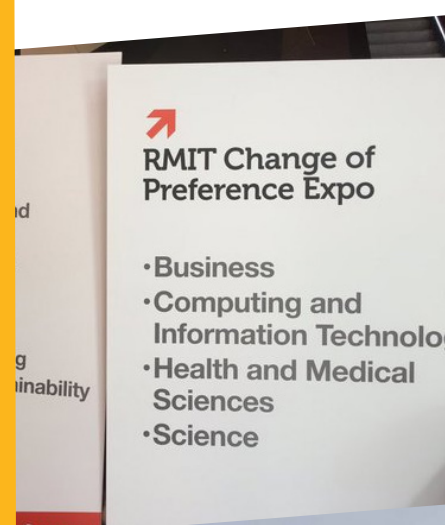
Tips and hints

- Research your options. Go to CoP information sessions at the institutions of your choice. Use the course search link on the VTAC website.
- New courses: If adding any new courses, make sure you meet the prerequisites and have not missed any important dates to hand in supplementary forms or book interviews.
- Order correctly: Put in the courses that you really want to get into at the top of your preference list. The ATAR cut-offs won't be determined until January 2018, and could go below the 2017 cut-offs.
- Plan B: Add in plan B courses as backups in case you don't achieve the ATAR you need. Research TAFE to university pathway courses, foundation and pathway programs at each university and courses with lower ATAR cut-offs, which can provide a possible second year transfer.



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CONTACTS AND DATES - DECEMBER

Deakin University

- Contact information: Change of Preference hotline - 1800 693 888. Website (contains key information, contacts, Live Chat link), <http://bit.ly/2gl1gVf>
- Information Sessions: Melbourne Burwood - Sunday 17th, 11am - 2pm. Geelong Waterfront - Monday 18th, 4 - 7pm.
- Walk and Talk Tours: Geelong Waurin Ponds- Monday 18th, 11am - 1pm. Warrnambool - Tuesday 19th, 11am - 1pm.

Monash University

- Contact information: Phone: 1800 666 274. Website (contains key information and contacts), <http://bit.ly/1GHZ3tl>
- Change of Preference Expo: Caulfield campus- Monday 18th, 3pm – 7pm

Australian Catholic University

- Contact: Ph: 1300 275 228. Website (contains key information and contacts), <http://bit.ly/2zQHD7c>
- Know Your Options Information Sessions: Melbourne and Ballarat campuses- Monday 18th. Melbourne: 12 – 3pm, Ballarat: 4 - 6pm.

Federation University Australia

- Contact: Ph: 1800 333 864. Website (contains key information and contacts), <http://bit.ly/1NLV4p>
- Info Day: Mt Helen, Berwick and Gippsland campuses, Monday 18th

Swinburne University

- Contact: Ph: 1300 SWINBURNE. Website (contains key information and contacts), <http://bit.ly/1NLW26l>
- Change of Preference Expo: Hawthorn campus, 18th, 11am – 4pm.

Victoria University

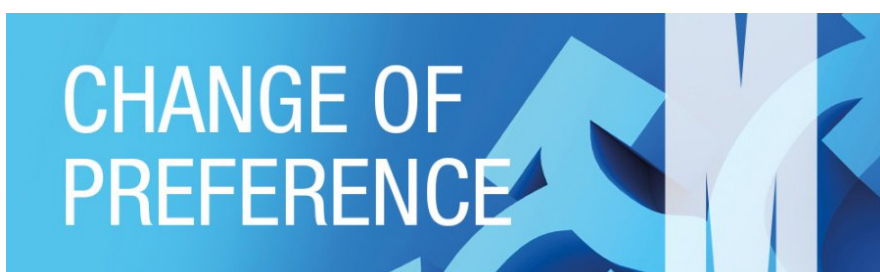
- Contact: Ph: 1300 842 864. Website (contains key information and contacts), <http://bit.ly/2luUt8N>
- Change of Preference Expo: Footscray campus- to be confirmed.

Charles Sturt University

- Contact: Ph: 1800 334 733.
- Book an appointment face to face or via Skype, <http://bit.ly/2iP4AnJ>

RMIT

- Contact: Ph: 03 9925 2260. Website (contains key information and contacts), <http://bit.ly/2zTfUm3>
- Change of Preference Expo: City campus, Monday 18th, 3 - 6pm.
- Visit Info Corner - Cnr Swanston and La Trobe Streets, Melbourne.



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Melbourne University

- Contact: Ph: 13 6352. Website (contains key information, contacts, Live Chat link etc.), <http://bit.ly/2gMZSTi>
- Course Information Day: Parkville campus, Monday 18th 10.00am – 2.30pm
- Regional students can apply for a travel bursary by 7th November.

La Trobe University

- Contact: Ph: 1300 135 045. Website (contains key information and contacts), <http://bit.ly/2he14Ra>
- Advisory Day: Melbourne Bundoora campus, Saturday 16th, 10am - 2pm.

CHANGE OF PREFERENCE STEPS

1: Assess your preferences

- December 15 – December 20: Assess your preferences in light of your results
- Attend a Change of Preference information day at the institutions you would like to attend. Use the Change of Preference Calendar as a guide for dates and contacts
- Contact the institutions you would like to study at for advice.
- Firm up your preference list by Wednesday 20 December, noon via VTAC.
- 'How to' video: <http://bit.ly/2iL8bmO>

2: Offers

- Main round offers will be released on 16th of January.
- There will be several offer rounds and you can change your preferences between rounds - <http://bit.ly/1GSssp8>
- Ensure you accept any offers you receive in the main round. For subsequent rounds, you should still have your wish list above your offer in your preference list. If you receive another offer in subsequent rounds and prefer this course, accept it and contact the university or TAFE to cancel the offer/s you have accepted.
- 'How to' video - <http://bit.ly/2ivNNp0>



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It's what you do with it that counts