CAREER ADVISOR SYMPOSIUM 2012

The annual UTAS Career Advisor Symposium was held from 21 – 23 March, which saw 21 Career Advisors from Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia visiting Tasmania to get a taste of what UTAS has to offer.

The Symposium began in Launceston with a tour of the Australian Maritime College, followed by visits to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, the HITLab AU, Accommodation Services and the School of Human Life Sciences.

The program continued the next day at the Inveresk Precinct, which houses the School of Visual and Performing Arts and the School of Architecture and Design, before the group headed south to Hobart for a tour of the Medical Sciences Precinct in the Hobart CBD.

For the final day of the program the interstate career advisors were joined by Tasmanian career advisors. The day included a visit to the Media Lab and John Elliott Classics Museum with lunch at Pepperz in Accommodation Services. Other highlights of the day included a panel discussion with leading academics from various discipline areas, a Three Minute Thesis presentation showcasing works from our research candidates and the School of Geography and Environmental Studies providing a demonstration of how they are using miniature remote controlled helicopters to activate sensors in rural and remote locations. Guests were also fortunate to have a sneak peak of the Conservatorium of Music’s Christmas with the Dead project.

The comprehensive program showcased the world-class facilities and opportunities at UTAS as well as the many lifestyle advantages that Tasmania has to offer.

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Symposium this year. For more information visit: www.futurestudents.utas.edu.au/careers-adviser/symposium

NEXTGEN BUSINESS TEAM CHALLENGE

Register your Year 9s and 10s for the Nextgen Business Team Challenge!

Teams of up to 8 students will have a week to come up with the best concept and pitch their ideas to a panel of industry and academic judges (the challenge theme will be unveiled on the day). Students will learn about a range of business tools such as planning, marketing, social media, finance and logistics - whilst developing teamwork skills, building confidence and having fun.
Book now as spaces are limited (one competition per region):

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Three of these days will be held on campus at UTAS and the other two days are held in school. Students do not need to have completed prior business studies.

To find out more and to register please visit www.illuminatesdf.com.au/nextgen or contact event coordinator Adam Mostogl on 0438 810 733.

NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM AND THE NEW TASMANIAN YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM

The Tasmanian Youth Science Forum is a new high-quality, three-day residential science program endorsed by the NYSF and run by the University of Tasmania, and will be held from 20 - 23 January 2013.

The National Youth Science Forum is a unique program that provides students with the opportunity to get a hands on feel for careers and learn about study options in the diverse fields of science, engineering and technology.

There are three sessions offered, each of 144 students from all parts of Australia, plus some from overseas. Two sessions run in Canberra and one in Perth during the summer break. Students live on campus as University students, gain an insider’s perspective on campus life, and experience real science, working with scientists in a range of laboratories and workshops.

Students gain the knowledge, skills and perspectives that enable them to make informed choices about Year 12 studies and university course options, and provide them with a confident sense of the way forward and into a future of their choosing. In school holiday breaks during Year 12, students also have the opportunity to return to university and industry locations around the country, to further build upon their knowledge and experience to assist in the successful transition to university. The University of Tasmania hosts a 2-day program for NYSF participants during the Easter break each year.

Geotechnical Engineers examine the impact of structures on their surroundings, from foundation design to tunnelling.

The Bachelor of Engineering (Geotechnical) at UTAS has become Australia’s first geotechnical engineering course that is fully accredited by Engineers Australia.

The BE(Geotech) is a joint initiative between the UTAS Schools of Engineering and Earth Sciences and Coffey Mining, with staff from all three contributing to course development and giving lectures. Accreditation for the course means that the first cohort of students that will soon graduate with the award will be recognised as practising engineers.

Engineers Australia (EA) says, "Accreditation ensures that academic institutions consistently meet national and international benchmarks. Engineering graduates are also assured membership with EA and enjoy reciprocal privileges from equivalent professional bodies overseas in countries including the USA, UK, Hong Kong, New Zealand, Canada, and South Africa.”
Coffey Group General Manager of Operations, Dan O’Toole, also says, “The establishment and accreditation of the BE(Geotech) addresses a gap in the Australian market. It has been an area where Australia has been experiencing a skills shortage, yet was not being catered for by undergraduate education”.

Previously, students interested in geotechnical engineering would have to complete either an engineering or geology focussed course, neither of which fully encompassed all of the skills required specifically for geotechnology engineering.

New students seeking entry to the four-year BE(Geotech) course must meet general UTAS admission requirements. Pre-tertiary Maths Methods and Physical Sciences are also required.

For more information about the BE(Geotech) and other Engineering specialisations, or to arrange a visit to the School of Engineering, please contact the School’s Outreach Officer, Susie Haley, on 6226 7868 or email Susie.Haley@utas.edu.au.

UTAS INTERIOR DESIGN STUDENTS SHINE AT DESIGN INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA AWARDS

Two final year UTAS Interior Design students have starred in the VIC/TAS Graduate of the Year Awards (GOTYA) in Melbourne last month, representing UTAS in the graduate award program run by the Design institute of Australia (DIA).

Universities in Victoria and Tasmania encourage their best and brightest Interior Design students to submit an A3-sized portfolio of a design they have completed while at university. The submissions are blind reviewed and an awards ceremony is held in each state by the DIA annually. Winners then progress to the national competition, Australian Graduate of the Year Awards (AGOTYA).

Alice Dwyer and Erin Lacey are two of the first ever graduates from the Bachelor of Environmental Design (Interior Design)

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in 2011, now studying in the newly formed Honours degree Bachelor of Environmental Design with Honours (Interior Design).

“We are really proud of Alice and Erin’s achievements. There were only four finalists and two of them are from our university. It’s exciting especially as they are in our first graduating class. It’s inspiring that our students are performing to such a high standard at this early stage of the program’s development.” - Kirsty Máté, Program Director Interior Design at the School of Architecture and Design

For Alice and Erin, this is a wonderful introduction for the start of their careers in interior design.

UTAS WILL BE ATTENDING AGFEST 2012

Agfest 2012 is being held on Thursday 3, Friday 4 and Saturday 5 May, at Quercus Rural Youth Park, Carrick. The UTAS site will be located in the Tas Perpetual Trustees Trades Expo, situated between CWA Grove and First Avenue. Come and have a chat about course and study options with UTAS staff between 10am and 4pm. We hope to see you there!

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT WHAT IT IS LIKE TO STUDY IN LAUNCESTON?

The 'Love Launceston' campaign has been developed by Launceston’s key education and regional development entities for the purposes of increasing the awareness and appeal of Launceston as a great place to live, work and study. The website www.lovelaunceston.com.au is a great resource for students and parents to discover what it is like to live in Launceston, answering questions on lifestyle, climate, events and activities, support networks, cost of living and much more. Online visitors can also read the stories of many students who have chosen Launceston as their preferred destination for this exciting stage of their lives. Career Advisors can request copies of our Love Launceston brochure by emailing Leanne.Arnott@utas.edu.au.
Why did I decide to come to Uni?

I was a boiler maker/welder by trade and I always gained enjoyment out of helping and training the young apprentices I worked with and I often thought that becoming a Design and Technology teacher would be a great career option. Also being a father of three young children, the life of a teacher allows me to fit in with the times and holidays of my children’s schooling. UTAS was always the preferred option. In my degree they offer some units online and important hands on units in the Design and Technology specialisations.

My favourite unit...

I really enjoy the Education units we are required to complete in our degree as I can relate a lot of what I learn to the development of my own children as they start school. The Design units are also very enjoyable and cover a lot of diverse areas.

Highlights so far?

The diversity of the degree. We have covered all areas from design to practice and education units that have allowed me to learn and experiment on a vast range of topics.

Advice for future students?

Don’t make the same mistake as I did, in that I enrolled 3-4 times before I actually started. The sooner you make the choice, the sooner you can get out and start teaching. Look at this degree as being a small term sacrifice for a long term gain!

Previous School?

Year 10 Burnie High School, Year 11/12 Hellyer College

INTRODUCING...

DETAILS

Name: Luke Wescombe
Age: 32 years
Course: Bachelor of Education, specialising in Design and Technology at secondary level.
Year: 3rd year (2012)
YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY WORKING TO ACHIEVE HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.

The School of Sociology and Social Work offers students the opportunity to study social work at the undergraduate level. The Bachelor of Social Work is a nationally-accredited qualification, which opens the doors for graduates to work in Australia and many overseas countries such as the United Kingdom as well as many parts of Asia.

Students studying professional qualifying courses in social work learn a foundation of social work principles, research and theory, complemented by two professionally supervised fieldwork placements. At the completion of this course, students will be highly employable, and will have the chance to work in positions that afford opportunities to act in senior and leadership roles. Students will also have obtained a qualification enabling them to enrol in further postgraduate studies.

The Bachelor of Social Work is delivered over 2 years full-time (or part-time equivalent) following successful completion of 2 years full-time (or equivalent) of a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Social Science (or equivalent), including study in Psychology and Sociology (or equivalent).

The social work program is delivered on all three UTAS campuses; Launceston, Hobart and Cradle Coast. The course is taught by friendly and committed professional and academic educators, who have a focus on building a strong sense of connection between staff and students.

For further course information, check out http://fcms.its.utas.edu.au/arts/sociology/

FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCE TASTER DAYS 2012

Each School within the Faculty of Health Science provides an opportunity for high school and senior secondary students to attend ‘Taster Days’ aimed at providing a flavour of a number of UTAS courses.

UPCOMING EVENTS

29 & 30 April  
Tertiary Studies & Careers Expo Adelaide (TSCEA)

3 May  
Geelong Area Visit

3 – 6 May  
The Age VCE and Career Expo, Melbourne

9 – 11 May  
Gippsland TIS

31 May – 3 June  
The Sydney Morning Herald HSC and Careers Expo, Sydney

21 – 24 June  
Western Sydney Careers Expo

21 – 22 July  
Brisbane TXSPO

27 – 29 July  
Herald Sun Melbourne Career Expo, Melbourne

KEY DATES

Monday 19 March  
applications open for study commencing in Semester 2, 2012 – visit www.utas.edu.au/apply

Saturday 30 June  
applications for Semester 2, 2012 scholarships close

First week of August  
applications open for study commencing in Semester 1, 2013 – visit www.utas.edu.au/apply

Sunday 26 August  
Open Day (Hobart, Launceston and Cradle Coast)

Friday 28 September  
on time applications close – late applications for Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) will not be considered

Wed 31 October  
applied for 2012 Scholarships close

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