WELCOME!

Welcome to the October edition of UTAS eNEWS.

UTAS eNEWS is sent out every February, April, June, August and October; the next edition will be coming out in the middle of February 2011.

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APPLICATIONS FOR 2011

Course applications are open for prospective students wishing to commence study in Semester 1 (February) 2011. Applications should be completed online at www.utas.edu.au/apply. While on-time applications closed on Thursday 30 September and late applications for Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) will not be accepted, other courses are accepting applications while places remain available.

Scholarship applications are open and should be completed online at www.studentcentre.utas.edu.au/scholarships/. Applications strictly close on Sunday 31 October.

Accommodation Services applications are also open for accommodation options at the Hobart and Launceston campuses and should be completed online at www.accommodation.utas.edu.au/apply.

For more information contact the Uni Info Centre on phone: 1300 363 864.

10-21 January 2011- Launceston, Tasmania

Each summer the University of Tasmania and partners present a vibrant and diverse program of creative arts learning workshops in our Tasmanian Creative Arts Summer School.

The program of specialist workshops is designed to offer students the opportunity to expand existing skills, grow confidence in new endeavours and be inspired by our highly respected professional tutors. During the Summer School students will make new friends, learn different creative techniques and enjoy all that Launceston and Tasmania has to offer during summer. Workshops include Dance, Street Art and Graffiti, Musical Theatre, Painting, Drawing, Sculpture, Photography, Ceramics, Voice Overs and Multimedia, Textiles, Effective Speaking Skills, Improvisation, Digital Media, Glass, Culinary Design, Printmaking, Computers in Furniture Design and many more.

All units offered by the University of Tasmania attract a 12.5% weighting and students will be enrolled in the Associate Degree in Arts. The unit may count to further study towards a number of degrees at University.

The Summer School is a cultural community-based partnership between the University of Tasmania, Tasmanian Polytechnic, Stompin Dance and the Launceston City Council. The Newstead Campus of the Polytechnic also run their very successful Rock Music Summer School in the Summer School program. The Rock Music Summer School has been in operation for eighteen years and is run as a holiday non-residential extension program for musicians and music students of all ages interested in contemporary music.

To download a copy of the full program, please visit www.acadarts.utas.edu.au. For further Summer School information, please contact the Academy of the Arts in Launceston, email: AcademyAdmin@utas.edu.au, or phone: (03) 6324 4400.
UTAS HIGH ACHIEVER PROGRAM

Do you know any high achieving students that would thrive and benefit from an academic challenge? UTAS will again be running its High Achiever Program for Year 11/12 students in 2011. This program allows students who demonstrate very high levels of academic performance to enrol in University units in order to complement and extend their Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE) or International Baccalaureate (IB) studies.

There are many benefits of the program including, no course costs for Australian and permanent resident students, the chance to experience university life, students may receive credit towards a relevant UTAS degree and High Achiever Program units may also contribute towards the calculation of the Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR).

There are several different subject areas available to study through this program but unit choices vary from campus to campus. For more information on subject availability as well as eligibility criteria and how to apply for the 2011 program, visit [www.utas.edu.au/hap](http://www.utas.edu.au/hap) or contact the Uni Info Centre on phone: 1300 363 864. Also look out for the 2011 High Achiever Program brochures which will be sent out to all secondary and senior secondary schools during October 2010.

HECS SCHOLARSHIP FOR DIPLOMA STUDENTS

From 2011, UTAS will be offering HECS scholarships for eligible students undertaking diploma study in addition to their main degree study.

This opportunity will be of particular interest to students who have undertaken study in the University College Program, and wish to build upon this outside of their main degree. The scholarships mean that students will be able to extend their knowledge and their qualifications in the particular area of interest, without an extra additions to their HECS debt.

The Diplomas covered through this HECS Scholarship are the:

- Diploma in Languages
- Diploma in Fine Arts & Design
- Diploma in Music Performance
- Diploma in Creative Media Technology

The HECS scholarships cover the diploma units only, and some conditions apply.

Full details including who is eligible and how to access the scholarship can be found at [www.students.utas.edu.au/hec-scholarships](http://www.students.utas.edu.au/hec-scholarships).

NEW COURSE: BACHELOR OF BIOTECHNOLOGY AND MEDICAL RESEARCH

The BBiotechMedRes, jointly offered by the faculties of Health Science and Science, Engineering & Technology, is new for 2011. It combines the current Bachelor of Biotechnology and Bachelor of Medical Research into a single, focussed, high-achievers degree aimed at developing excellent medical and scientific researchers. The BBiotechMedRes will provide students with a solid background in human, plant and animal biology, and the tools of modern biology and biotechnology that will equip them to become the researchers of the future in both medical and non-medical areas.

Medical Research and Biotechnology are rapidly growing fields of scientific endeavour centred on the biological underpinning of human health and disease with a focus on providing new procedures and therapeutic agents to improve the health of humans, and new technologies for improving agricultural production and animal health. At the University of Tasmania, the School of Medicine and the Menzies Institute conduct world-class research into the environmental and genetic causes of disease, neuroscience, diabetes and respiratory diseases. The Faculty of Science, Engineering & Technology has research strengths in biotechnology including agricultural science, chemistry forestry, food science and plant science.

The BBiotechMedRes is a twenty four unit program consisting of a core major (eight units) taken by all students and a specialist major (eight units): Physiology, Neurobiology, Pathology, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Genetics, Plant Science, Chemistry or Food Science. Depending on the specialist major selected students must also complete a linked minor (four units). The program also allows for four student electives.

Location and Duration
Hobart Campus. The degree takes three years full-time and six years part-time. The maximum time to complete the course is seven years.

[www.futurestudents.utas.edu.au](http://www.futurestudents.utas.edu.au)
Entry Requirements
University entrance requirements plus a minimum ATAR score of 85. Also required are TCE pre-tertiary Chemistry (CHM315109) and Mathematics Applied (MTA315109) or higher.

Further Information
Full details of courses are published on the UTAS website www.utas.edu.au/courses or contact Associate Professor Margaret Cooley (Margaret.Cooley@utas.edu.au) or Associate Professor Anthony Koutoulis (Anthony.Koutoulis@utas.edu.au).

WANTED: FUTURE DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY TEACHERS

The UTAS Faculty of Education are looking for bright, creative, innovative students to consider Design & Technology Teaching as a career.

The Bachelor of Education, Design and Technology specialisation is a new 4-year pre-service teacher degree, based in Launceston, developed to address the shortage of Design and Technology teachers both in Tasmania and interstate. This degree provides students the option of choosing a Design and Technology double major, which includes the choice of two of the four possible majors: Textiles, Food Studies, Wood & Metal Design, and Computer Aided Design.

For more information, visit www.utas.edu.au/courses.

FACULTY OF ARTS
New Courses & Units for 2010/2011

Spring and Summer School
The Faculty of Arts is offering a dynamic program in Spring 2010 and Summer 2011, with over 40 units spanning the creative arts and humanities and social sciences.

One of the new creative units on offer, FSA102 Introduction to Installation Art, is only available to college students. This unit will be delivered at the Tasmanian School of Art in Hobart from 10-25 January 2011 and coincides with MONA FOMA, Tasmania’s premiere international contemporary sound/art festival. The unit is designed to provide rich and diverse opportunities for students to view and engage in a range of artworks, events, artist talks and workshops as part of the unit program. The program will be delivered through a series of informative lectures and presentations on contemporary installation art, hands-on workshops run by professional practicing artists, and off-site visits to MONA FOMA events.

There will be a range of humanities and social science units available including in-country programs in China and Indonesia, as well as Exceptional Leadership, New Kingdom Egypt, Introduction to Politics and Policy and Crime and Criminal Justice.

The School of Visual and Performing Arts in Launceston is also offering a comprehensive program of units, as described under the “Tasmanian Creative Arts Summer School” heading on page 1 of this newsletter.

Social Work program expanded
There have been some big changes in the UTAS Social Work program. As of 2011, there are now two courses that can be undertaken to obtain a professional qualification in social work, the Bachelor of Social Work and the Master of Social Work. Both of these courses will be offered at all three UTAS campuses; Hobart, Launceston and Cradle Coast.

This new Masters course is for individuals who have already completed a three-year degree at a recognised university (with some social and behavioural science content) and who want to obtain a professional qualification in social work. This course suits a range of students including people who are seeking a career change, those who want to upgrade their qualifications with the addition of a professional social work degree and recent graduates who would like to go straight onto postgraduate studies and obtain a professional social work qualification to complement their undergraduate degree (in arts, education, health science, behavioural science, or nursing, for example).

There are a range of other postgraduate coursework and research courses in Social Work.

UTAS and Tasmania Police partnership – Bachelor of Social Science (Police Studies)
The UTAS Police Studies programs are designed to provide high-quality social science training together with specific knowledge and skills of policing. There are now two streams of the Bachelor of Social Science (Police Studies) degree; an In-Service Pathway and a Conventional Pathway.

The In-Service Pathway is designed for those who commence a career with Tasmania Police as a recruit. The first 15 units of the 24 unit degree are undertaken by recruits at the Tasmania Police Academy and the remaining nine units can
then be completed while serving as early-career officers.

The Conventional Pathway is for Police Officers who joined Tasmania Police before 2010 and all other applicants (including Year 12 applicants) who are qualified for entry under the University rules of admission.

For more information about any of these programs, visit [www.arts.utas.edu.au](http://www.arts.utas.edu.au) or contact the Uni Info Centre on phone: 1300 363 864.

**BACHELOR OF CONTEMPORARY ARTS THEATRE AUDITIONS**

The UTAS School of Visual & Performing Arts will be holding Theatre Auditions in Hobart, Launceston, Melbourne and Adelaide this year for applicants to the 2011 Bachelor of Contemporary Arts (Theatre stream).

Auditions will be held as follows:

**ADELAIDE**
Thursday 11 & Friday 12 November
Adelaide Festival Centre, Quartet Suite

**MELBOURNE**
Monday 15 & Tuesday 16 November
Malthouse Theatre, Shell Room

**LAUNCESTON**
Wednesday 1, Thursday 2 & Friday 3 December
Annexe Theatre, Inveresk

**HOBART**
Monday 6 & Tuesday 7 December
Student Theatre, Sandy Bay

An audition tips DVD is available at [www.acadarts.utas.edu.au](http://www.acadarts.utas.edu.au). For more information, contact Jana Harper on ph: (03) 6324 4423 or email: Jana.Harper@utas.edu.au.

**UTAS PHARMACY TASTER DAY EVENT**

The UTAS School of Pharmacy recently hosted 40 Grade 9 and 10 students and careers advisers in its first Taster Day.

Pharmacy Taster Day educated students about the breadth of a career in pharmacy and gave them hands-on experience in a university setting. School of Pharmacy staff and current pharmacy students enjoyed showing the group a range of workshops relating to pharmaceutical science and health care. Workshops included making a sorbolene cream, learning about the properties and marketing of different paracetamol brands, and reading and understanding blood pressure.

Feedback from students was very positive, with 88% of students indicating that they were more interested in a career in pharmacy having attended the day. The School is looking to expand the program next year to include another Taster Day for Grade 11 and 12 students.

Information on the 2011 Pharmacy Taster Day program will be distributed through this newsletter and via Careers Advisers and Pathway Planners in Tasmanian Schools.

**FOR YOUR DIARY**

- **Mon 2 August**
  - applications for commencing in Semester 1, 2011 opened; to apply visit [www.utas.edu.au/apply](http://www.utas.edu.au/apply)
- **Thurs 30 September**
  - on-time applications closed – late applications for Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) will not be accepted
- **Sun 31 October**
  - applications for scholarships close
- **November/December**
  - interviews and auditions are held for creative arts degrees (where required)
- **Fri 24 December**
  - first round of offers available to Year 12 Tasmanian applicants
- **Mon 14 February**
  - Orientation Week commences
- **Mon 21 February**
  - Semester 1 commences