

# UniSA Links



A regular update on UniSA programs and events

To kick off the first edition of UniSA Links for 2010 we've highlighted key career events for your students to attend - and even participate in. We hear from current students involved in interesting work placements and projects, check in on students who have just started our brand new programs, and learn about the latest facilities at UniSA's Magill campus.

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## TERTIARY STUDIES & CAREERS EXPO ADELAIDE



## WIN an Apple iPad thanks to CareerShop!

**Date:** Sunday 30 May 2010  
from 10.00am - 4.00pm  
and Monday 31 May 2010  
from 9.30am - 1.00pm.

**Venue:** Adelaide Entertainment  
Centre

### Admission is free.

Mark this date in your diary! The Expo is the ideal way for students to access the latest information on tertiary studies, further training, career options, employment opportunities, scholarships, and enrolment procedures. You can also meet current students and hear what it's like to study at UniSA.



CareerShop is offering your students the chance to win an Apple iPad - the latest product taking the world by storm. The lucky winner will be one of the first in Australia to own their very own iPad and will surely be the envy of all their friends as they're browsing CareerShop! To be in

the running your students simply need to visit the UniSA stand at the expo and enquire with our friendly staff.

## Career Counsellor Session

Friday  
21st May  
2010  
in the  
Bradley  
Forum  
@  
City West  
campus.

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## Science at the Lakes 2010



Science at the Lakes is a **FREE** science and technology event for students in years 4-10 and will be held on **Friday 20 August 2010 at UniSA's Mawson Lakes campus**. This event features a program filled with fun and challenging interactive activities, displays and demonstrations. Science at the Lakes is part of National Science Week and is available to all South Australian schools - to attend you simply need to register online.

In 2009, most of the Science at the Lakes 30+ activities booked out in just 48 hours. To make sure you don't miss out, pre-register your school's interest in attending today and you will receive advance notification of the booking date. To pre-register

email [pink.hong@unisa.edu.au](mailto:pink.hong@unisa.edu.au) with your school's name, contact person and students' year level.

### Get involved! Showcase your very own science activity

If you or your students have a special science project that you would like to showcase, why not get involved and show off your very own activity, presentation or static display. Some of this year's activities include flight simulation, Bugs N Slugs, racing robots, GPS orienteering, electric and solar cars and exploring the solar system at UniSA's Planetarium. To see a full list of 2009 activities and to register your workshop or activity online please visit [unisa.edu.au/scienceatthelakes/Workshops](http://unisa.edu.au/scienceatthelakes/Workshops)

If you have any further questions about the registration process or the activities please do not hesitate to call Pink Hong on 8302 5341 or email [pink.hong@unisa.edu.au](mailto:pink.hong@unisa.edu.au)

## CareerShop Corner

The CareerShop Crew are always on the prowl for new profiles, videos, news, competitions and career events to provide your students with the most up to date information available. Over the break some students may have had a change of heart with their career interests - if so, no problem. Students can access their profile using their unique username and password and change their career interests - and the CareerShop page will reload with a heap of new content.

Check out our new articles including:

- *What should your future job pay?* - Students can check out what they can expect to be earning in their chosen profession.
- *UniLife Insider* - See what students are up to on campus and read the latest UniLife Insider magazine.
- Tips on how to write a winning resume and how to nail that interview

- Great sites for students planning an overseas adventure
- *Follow Heather on her South American adventure* - International Studies and Management student volunteers with the Hawke Ambassador program.

### Xavier College connects with CareerShop and industry leaders



Now a first year Marketing student at UniSA, Kailan Moore experienced first-hand how CareerShop can be a vital tool to help students research and kick-start their career.

"CareerShop to me was like a website into my future, showing me what it would be like to study marketing and of course, what it would be like to work in that area after my degree. Being able to customise the information creates a more personal and relaxed environment in a sometimes challenging and stressful time."

CareerShop also offers your students unique opportunities to connect with UniSA students and graduates to find out what uni is really all about. Last year Kailan won the exclusive opportunity to meet UniSA graduates and industry leaders to obtain an insight into their careers, and learnt what qualities companies were looking for when employing staff.

In 2010 CareerShop will be providing exclusive opportunities for your students to connect with current students and graduates - stay tuned for further details!

Encourage your students to sign up today at [unisa.edu.au/careershop](http://unisa.edu.au/careershop).

## Robotics Peer Mentoring Program

The Robotics Peer Mentoring (RPM) program is an innovative program aimed at providing hands on experience in robotics, electronics, science and engineering for secondary school students. The program links undergraduate students as mentors with secondary teachers to deliver a robotics program in schools which is both engaging and challenging for the students. Significant interest in the program is being generated amongst a range of local and international companies as well as schools and government agencies. Developing the links between the RPM program and industry and linking the



program to key curriculum frameworks are goals to be achieved in the future.

For further information or to register your school for the Robotics Peer Mentoring Program please contact David Chan via 8302 3537 or email [david.chan@unisa.edu.au](mailto:david.chan@unisa.edu.au)

Please note that all schools wishing to register for the midyear intake will need to do so by 31 July 2010.

## ANU Year, ANU Program, ANU group of students

The brand new Bachelor of Medical Science program, linked with the Australian National University (ANU) in Canberra, had its very first intake of students for 2010. This is a flexible program designed to provide students with unique opportunities and can lead to postgraduate pathway options in medicine, physiotherapy and research.

Students have come from a range of diverse backgrounds, age groups and regions, and all have the exclusive opportunity to go on an all expenses paid trip to visit the ANU in Canberra, with whom this degree is linked. This trip will give them a glimpse into where they could spend part of their study further down the track, as this degree allows them to study at ANU for part of their program and graduate with a co-badge



UniSA/ANU Medical Science degree. UniSA students will not just benefit from the opportunities to swap demographic locations; there will also be the swapping of academic staff members between UniSA and the ANU. It's this collaboration that will ensure they are getting the broadest and most informed range of information available, not to mention the fact they'll

be using some of the most relevant and up to date lab equipment available. These students will surely lead the way in a medical profession in years to come.

Want to know more about the new Medical Science program or any of UniSA's other cutting edge degrees within the Division of Health Sciences? Find it at [unisa.edu.au/health/programs](http://unisa.edu.au/health/programs).

## Knowledge Works – UniSA's public lectures Bringing research to life.

Knowledge Works continues UniSA's public lectures in 2010 and is presented by some of UniSA's best thinkers on contemporary subjects that will bring research to life.

The series kicked off on 22 April where Professor Rob Short, Director of UniSA's Mawson Institute looked at new tools and therapies for solving an ancient problem, affecting up to 400 000 Australians – chronic wound healing.

This is just a taste of what to expect from the

Knowledge Works series in 2010. Leading researchers from the University will explore other areas including environmental and sustainable future, society and culture, health and wellbeing, marketing and business, and technology.

Visit [unisa.edu.au/knowledgeworks](http://unisa.edu.au/knowledgeworks) for more information and register online to receive emails about each lecture.



## Try surveying - it really measures up

If your students have a keen interest in maths, geography and IT, and like spending time both indoors and outdoors, they may be the perfect candidates for a future in surveying.



Surveyors play an integral role in societal development, using the latest technology to measure and map anything from high-rise buildings, housing subdivisions to outback mines. With a wide variety in roles,

functions and locations, surveying offers a life without limits.

UniSA offers a range of undergraduate degrees leading into the Master of Surveying. Graduates are able to combine their Masters degree with a

hands-on Professional Training Agreement, setting them on the right path to becoming a highly sought after Licensed Surveyor.

Want to know more? You can grab a copy of our FREE 'student friendly' DVD and brochures by visiting [alifewithoutlimits.com.au](http://alifewithoutlimits.com.au) or calling (08) 8223 5922. While you're there why not request an industry ambassador to speak at your school or attend your next career event. Students who are interested can also register for a real-life work experience position in a Surveying firm.

## ATN Test – an alternative pathway into IT or engineering

Are your students interested in engineering or IT but don't have the maths and science background (or are afraid they won't get a competitive TER)? Check out the ATN test - a 2.5 hour multiple choice test which assesses a students' aptitude to think scientifically, solve quantitative problems, critically analyse information and display interpersonal understanding. Developed and conducted by the Australian Council for

Educational Research (ACER), the test is only offered by ATN Universities, UniSA being the only one in South Australia. Satisfactory completion of the ATN Test allows direct entry into the Associate Degree in IT or Engineering.

The next test will be held on Saturday 25th September 2010. For more info and to register visit [unisa.edu.au/engineering](http://unisa.edu.au/engineering) or [unisa.edu.au/it](http://unisa.edu.au/it).

## Career Counsellor Portal Update

Have you been on your Career Counsellor Portal lately?

We've highlighted key career events in 2010 to help you with your planning this year – including Open Day on August 15 at UniSA's City West campus. Read our exclusive article on the top most popular degrees at UniSA for 2010 and find competitions for your students as well as other news articles and event overviews to keep you in the loop. We've added a bunch



of new ALife videos where you can learn what a typical day is like for a recruitment consultant, a commercial manager and even an operating theatre nurse. While you're there read our

latest student and lecturer profiles in podiatry and medical radiation, plus hear from a food technologist and scientist, who are both UniSA graduates.

There'll be some exciting new additions to the Portal this year, so make sure you keep an eye out for our e-mail updates. If you don't receive our updates and would like to, or have not received your username and password please email Amy Tran [amy.tran@unisa.edu.au](mailto:amy.tran@unisa.edu.au).

## Art, Architecture and Design students paint mural at City West campus.

During Artists' Week in February 2010, a group of students from the School of Art, Architecture and Design joined forces to paint UniSA's first public mural as part of an elective summer school course, *Art in Public*.

The dynamic and engaging mural, painted on a wall of Kurna building at City West campus, offered a unique learning experience, bringing together students of architecture and graphic and industrial design with students studying visual art, visual communications and interior architecture.



Led by artist James Dodd, it has been what he describes as an "organic and highly collaborative project." The mural revolves around the theme of creativity, something which is inherent to all parts of the School of

Art, Architecture and Design and an important graduate quality promoted by UniSA as a whole.

For more information about the School of Art, Architecture and Design visit [unisa.edu.au/aad](http://unisa.edu.au/aad)

## Young People Property Scheme Connecting students with industry professionals

One of the major benefits of studying Property at UniSA is the opportunity to join the Young People in Property scheme. This scheme brings students together with professionals and graduates and is an opportunity to gain insight into the industry, preparing students for their move into the work force.

Petrua Pettas is currently studying Property as part of a double degree option at UniSA. When asked why she chose to study Property this is what she had to say: "I really like the career opportunities that a degree in property can offer and it doesn't restrict me to one aspect of property as a career and I am able to develop a career in; valuation, management, investment and even property development."

If you would like to learn more about the Property degree then please visit: [unisa.edu.au/commerce/undergraduate.asp](http://unisa.edu.au/commerce/undergraduate.asp). If you would like to read more about Business double degree options then please check out [unisa.edu.au/business/degrees/double](http://unisa.edu.au/business/degrees/double)

## Is Law the new Arts?

Current student, Tim Harris, chose to study Law to keep his options open, but quickly found that it was definitely the right choice for him. When asked why he chose Law, Tim did not give the typical answer. He didn't start his degree to be a lawyer, but to broaden his career opportunities.

Tim suggested that Law is the modern version of the historic Arts degree. "A law degree offers graduates a dynamic and flexible range of employment options unmatched by other degrees," he says. "The law is so fundamental to the way we live, in that it relates to every area of life in some way or another, it is a very interesting and dynamic field of study which offers a unique perspective on society." He chose to study law to gain a broader perspective on life and the complex rules which govern conflict in our society.



So what does it take to study Law at UniSA? Tim suggests students should have an inquisitive mindset and take an active interest in society. Tim's passion has landed him a job at the prestigious Adelaide law firm, Wallmans Lawyers, before even completing his degree. He is well poised for a fulfilling and rewarding career as a lawyer in Australia.

More info about UniSA's Law degree can be found at [unisa.edu.au/law](http://unisa.edu.au/law)

## Construction Management and Economics & Urban and Regional Planning Information Sessions

Thursday 27 May 2010 @ City East campus

For more info and to register visit [unisa.edu.au/infosessions/itee.asp](http://unisa.edu.au/infosessions/itee.asp)

## New Film and TV Studio at Magill campus



The School of Communication, International Studies and Languages will be launching its brand new film and TV studio later this year. Based at the Magill campus, the new facility comprises two studio spaces which will be used by journalism, communication and media management, public relations, digital media and film and television students.

The main studio has three high definition cameras and a chroma-key green screen which enables virtual sets and has an extensive range of fluorescent and sealeon lighting. The second studio is slightly smaller with two high definition cameras and

a backdrop suitable for one on one interviews. These studios have some of the latest media technology available which will give students the opportunity to gain practical skills in a facility with industry standards.

Prospective students interested in viewing the studios are invited to attend **Magill Day the Career Information Sessions at Magill campus on Wednesday 8th September** for a tour and presentation on the facilities. Visit [unisa.edu.au/infosessions](http://unisa.edu.au/infosessions) to register and you will be contacted closer to the date with more info.

## Marketing graduate helps new product hit supermarket shelves

Marketing graduate Laura Waterhouse found the knowledge and skills she gained during her UniSA marketing degree invaluable when it came to getting an exciting new product on the shelves of major supermarkets around Australia.

After just one year working as Marketing Assistant for South Australian cheese-makers, La Casa Del Formaggio, Laura has already launched an award-winning new product – Grande Bocconcini. The new product, an extension of La Casa's fresh milk cheese range, has been hugely successful in-store and was even awarded the 2009 Food Magazine Challenge Award for the dairy category. She said that the skills and knowledge from her **Bachelor of Management (Marketing)** degree were invaluable for the project, which culminated in the new product hitting the shelves



of Coles, Woolworths and other independent supermarkets. "My marketing degree gave me a good understanding of business, distribution and product pricing which really helped on this project. It was very exciting to finally see it on the shelves. It's been a different world since I left uni, but I've really enjoyed having the opportunity to apply what I learned and I'm excited about continuing to expand my knowledge in the future."

To learn more about UniSA's Marketing degree visit [unisa.edu.au/business](http://unisa.edu.au/business)

## Social Work and Human Services and Psychology Career Events.

Prospective students can attend UniSA's Careers Evenings in Psychology or Social Work and Human Services to hear from professionals in these fields talk about their fascinating and challenging career paths. They'll hear about employment trends, salaries and where the jobs will be when you graduate, and will learn about study options at UniSA including double degrees and opportunities to study overseas.

**Careers in Social Work and Human Services Evening**  
Thursday 20 May 2010  
5.30pm – 7.30pm  
H1-44, Amy Wheaton building, Magill campus

Find out about the work of Social Work and Human Services professionals in diverse fields such as child and youth support, aged care, community development, domestic violence shelters, prisons, housing, disability services, social planning and administration, research and private practice.

For more information about this event call 8302 4323 and to register visit [unisa.edu.au/eas](http://unisa.edu.au/eas).

**Careers in Psychology Evening**

Wednesday 26 May 2010  
6.30pm – 8.30pm  
H1-44, Amy Wheaton building, Magill campus  
Hear from professionals in clinical and organisational psychology, community services, human resources and research and learn how they got their jobs and what they enjoy most about their dynamic careers. Find out about the unique opportunity at UniSA to combine your Psychology degree with practical job-relevant skills in counselling.

## Contacts and Bookings

Contact one of our Student Liaison Officers for more information. For campus tours and presentations bookings, please allow for a minimum of two weeks notice when making bookings.

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Ask UniSA – get answers 24/7. Visit [www.unisa.edu.au](http://www.unisa.edu.au) for more info.

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## Student rewarded for orphanage project



Not many 22-year-olds volunteer to spend their spare time raising money for an overseas orphanage let alone become the founder of an international aid organisation. But Tessa Henwood-Mitchell is determined to help a group of orphans and blind children she cared for in Bolivia as part of an exchange for her UniSA double degree in **International Studies and Social Work**. Tessa has been recognised for her efforts, being named the City of Adelaide's 2010 Australia Day Young Citizen of the Year.

Tessa visited Bolivia from June to October in 2008 through UniSA's Hawke Ambassador International Volunteer Experience, and upon returning she set about establishing Tia

International Aid, which has now become an Incorporated Association. Since beginning her enterprise in February, Tessa has raised more than \$17,000 and recruited a team of volunteers.

"Once I started thinking about setting up a program to help the orphans, I couldn't stop," she said. "I got very attached to the children I was working with. We have now been able to supply medical supplies to the orphanage, Ciudadela Sedeges, which houses 83 children under the age of 14. We are also in the process of replacing the entire water system as there is no running water to any of the buildings at the orphanage. I went back last year in July to get the ball rolling on this. We have also funded a music program

at a blind rehabilitation centre called Manuela Gandarillas which works with 35 blind children. The program has been running since April and the results are promising."

Terry O'Callaghan, Associate Head of the School of Communication, International Studies and Languages, nominated Tessa

after seeing her dedication to the project throughout the past year. "The Hawke Ambassador experience is extremely challenging for students and a lot follow up on a project they started when they come back home," Associate Professor O'Callaghan said. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience for students and it has a fairly significant impact on them all. "Tessa has worked particularly hard at setting up the charity, and is someone to be admired."

About 20 UniSA students take part in the Hawke Ambassador program each year, living with a host family in a third-world country for three to six months. More information about Tia International Aid can be found at [www.tia.org.au](http://www.tia.org.au).

## Ready? And...*action!* UniSA business graduate teams up with The Shorts Film Festival

The idea of a work placement with Adelaide's Shorts Film Festival was exciting on many levels for recent UniSA graduate Monica Bachmayer. But if you ask about her motivation for doing it, she'll give you a pretty clear-cut answer.

"There were three things, really," Monica said. "I wanted to make industry contacts and show my face; you've just got to get yourself out there. Secondly, I wanted to get practical experience and thirdly, I wanted to learn about myself, my strengths and weaknesses and ways to improve. These elements

really helped me find my direction."

During her four-year Business double degree (Bachelor of Tourism and Event Management and Bachelor of Management (Marketing)), Monica spent three months with the team at Shorts Film Festival, which showcased over 60 Australian and international films.

Aside from having a great time doing it, Monica said the placement exposed her to things that university just couldn't teach her. "It was great to put what I learnt at uni into reality," she said.



"Having a degree is amazing, but getting on-the-job experience adds extra value."

According to Monica, work placements are the fastest way for management

students to get the skills that employers are looking for. "Employers these days value the experience you have just as much as your degree," she said. "My advice is to get into the action. Take advantage of all the opportunities the uni offers. Undertake an overseas exchange, attend all networking events, and in addition to a placement, make sure you volunteer wherever you can."

Since her placement with Shorts Film Festival, Monica's schedule has been full of volunteer roles with Tour Down Under, Adelaide Fringe and WOMAdelaide. She was

also selected for the Adelaide Festival Centre's GreenRoom Advocacy Program and a new twelve-month arts administration traineeship with the Nexus Multicultural Arts Centre.

So, with all of this experience, is Monica worried about her future job prospects? "No! I'm not worried at all. I'm really excited about the coming year and I absolutely love what I'm doing," she said.

For further information about Management programs and Business double degrees please visit [unisa.edu.au/management](http://unisa.edu.au/management).