

# CHANGE OF PREFERENCE & OFFERS (VICTORIA)

## 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.

## Key dates

| RESULTS                                    | OFFER ROUND 1  | OFFER ROUND 2   |
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| Wed 30 Dec 2020                            | Thur 14 Jan 2020   | Mon 1 Feb 2021  |
| You will receive your VCE results and ATAR | Finalise your preferences between now and Monday 4 January (12pm). | Finalise your preferences between Thursday 14 (4pm) - Thursday 21 January (12pm). |

## 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 lowest ATAR selection ranks won't be determined until January 2021, and could go below the 2020 lowest selection ranks.
- **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.

## KEY RESOURCES

Watch these videos to learn about preferences and how offers are made, [www.youtube.com/user/vtacmedia](http://www.youtube.com/user/vtacmedia)



# CONTACT INFO & PATHWAYS

## Deakin University

- Change of preference guide: includes contact information, key dates, and advice - <https://bit.ly/3kHyKnf>
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/3kL0Uhp>

## Monash University

- Website - includes contacts, key dates, and how to book the following: virtual appointment, campus tour, or a phone chat, <https://bit.ly/2KbYbkf>
- Monash Change Day (virtual), 30 & 31 December, <https://bit.ly/38Try5i>
- Faculty of Science - website for contacts, advice and how to book a 15 minute online course advice appointment - <https://bit.ly/2UCNCJb> Drop in Zoom session for change of preference advice, <https://bit.ly/2Helg3A>
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/2UMQKSx>

## Australian Catholic University

- Website for how to contact the AskACU Team - <https://bit.ly/2XMG7C7>
- Know Your Options events (virtual) - 30 & 31 December. Melbourne and Ballarat campuses, <https://bit.ly/3kNLV66>
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/2R2XYAq>

## Federation University Australia

- Website - contacts, how to book a virtual appointment, change of preference support hours - <https://event.federation.edu.au/change>
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/2ISSqrx>

## Swinburne University

- Website: contacts and how to book a virtual appointment. More information coming soon, [www.swinburne.edu.au/choose/](http://www.swinburne.edu.au/choose/)
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/3pEDhKW>

## Victoria University

- Website - how to connect via Live Chat and book a one-to-one consultation, [www.vu.edu.au/start](http://www.vu.edu.au/start)
- Change of Preference Virtual Event, Thursday 31 December
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/3nEuFIO>

## The University of Melbourne

- Website: contacts, key dates, book 1:1 appointment, online course information sessions (7 - 18 December), <https://bit.ly/3fd6pUM>
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/3nDRar6>

## La Trobe University

- Website: contacts, book a virtual appointment - [www.latrobe.edu.au/prefer](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/prefer)
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/3nAH3mM>

## RMIT University

- Website: hotline, live chat, key dates, advice, pathways - <https://bit.ly/2EKD8sp>
- Pathways website: <https://pathways.rmit.edu.au/>

## Charles Sturt University

- Website: contacts, book a virtual appointment for 30 December or send an online enquiry, <https://study.csu.edu.au/contact-us>
- Pathways website: <https://bit.ly/2UoUIAb>

# CHANGE OF PREFERENCE STEPS

## 1: Assess your preferences

- December 30 (7am) – January 4 (12pm): Assess your preferences in light of your results.
- Participate in a Change of Preference event at the institutions you would like to attend, or contact a course adviser via phone or live chat.
- Contact the institutions you would like to study at for advice.
- Firm up your preference list by Monday 4 January (12pm) via your VTAC account.
- 'How to' videos: <https://bit.ly/2MFsD1O>

## 2: Change your preferences

- Login to your VTAC account at [vtac.edu.au](http://vtac.edu.au)
- If you've forgotten your ID and pin, check your email or use the pin retrieval function
- Click on the Change Undergraduate Preferences link
- Change your preferences (add/delete/re-order) and then click submit.
- You can change your preferences as many times as you like. Note - some courses cannot be re-added if you remove them (e.g., medicine).



## 3: Offers

- January round offers will be released on Thursday 14 January.
- There will be several offer rounds and you can change your preferences between rounds.
- Ensure you accept the offer if you receive one in the January round. This will have no impact on your ability to receive offers in future rounds. 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 that course, accept it and contact the university or TAFE to cancel the offer/s you have accepted.