# CAREERS FESTIVAL

THURSDAY 1 JUNE - SATURDAY 3 JUNE 2023
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## WELCOME



Jennine Tax Acting CEO, Study Gold Coast

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When I was growing up on the Gold Coast I really had no idea what I wanted to do for a career. There were so many fields that interested me – marine science, architecture and tourism among them. At one stage I even considered a career in the Queensland Police Force.

Ultimately I landed at Bond University studying a Bachelor of Business – it was one of the best decisions I ever made. Of course Bond isn't the only university here, you may consider studying at Griffith University, Southern Cross University, TAFE Queensland, or any one of over 200 education and training institutions we have in our city.

It isn't easy trying to work out what you want to do with your life, that's why we created the Gold Coast Careers Festival. Whether you're a high school student, a parent, a prospective student or a job seeker, you'll find a myriad of career pathways, study opportunities and job prospects at this event with many of the Gold Coast's major institutions and employers here. If you want to pursue a career in IT, become a pilot, or lead the world in sustainable practices you'll find those opportunities all under one roof at this festival.

The Gold Coast is a city that offers an exceptionally high quality of education and training choices with an incredible range of career pathways. Our team of professionals here will do everything they can to help you to make the most of your opportunities. Enjoy the Festival and may your career journey be everything you want it to be.

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## **EXPLORE**

Need help around potential careers or study pathways?

Want to take a deeper dive into the career opportunities on the Gold Coast?

Visit the Careers Explorer Zone (immediately to your left as you enter the Festival) where you'll receive professional guidance and advice.

PS – they've got really cool VR headsets you can try out too!

## CONNECT

Want to get the most out of you student experience on the Gold Coast?

Connect with the Gold Coast Student Experience team (on your right as you enter the Festival) to discover the amazing programs, support services and unique opportunities that can help you enhance your study experience in our beautiful city.

#### **GET STARTED**

Start by thinking about the kinds of careers you might be interested in, including the institutions where you might want to study

Hint: You'll find a map of the exhibitors on page 4 and 5 of this program to give you some ideas

#### **PRIZES**

Did you know you could win a \$5,000 careers support grant towards your tuition or other education fees?

Make sure you scan your unique QR code on your visitor pass at each booth you visit. The more times you scan, the more chances you have to win!

Also, if you visit the Festival on Saturday 3 June you'll also be in the running to win a 3 night stay at any participating Accor hotel across Australia!

## **REFUEL**

There's a lot happening and plenty to absorb at the Gold Coast Careers Festival. Take time for a break and refuel on everything from tasty treats to barista made coffee.

As you ponder and reflect on all that you've seen and done today share your experience on socials.

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#### **EXPERIENCE**

Head to the stage area to hear from fascinating guest speakers, industry experts and current students to lear more about different types of career and find out what tertiary life is really like on the Gold Coast

You'll find the stage schedule further on in this program.

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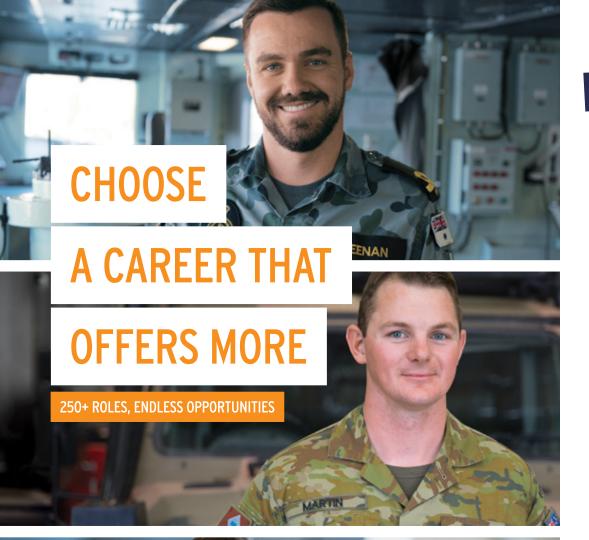
FESTIVAL MAP

# THURSDAY STAGE SCHEDULE

TIME	TALK	PRESENTED BY
9:45am	A deep dive into the marine industry	Marine Jobs
10:00am	Careers in the Australian Defence Force	Australian Defence Force
10:15am	What happens when I finish school? A world of opportunity awaits!	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland
10:35am	The Art of Makeup	HUXLEY School of Makeup
11:15am	Career choices - how to make the most of your opportunities	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland
11:35am	Mocktail Competition. Get fruity and win prizes!	Hyde Paradiso
12:05pm	Digital skills for life	Westpac
12:15pm	What happens when I finish school? A world of opportunity awaits!	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland
12:35pm	Careers in the Corrective Services	Queensland Corrective Services
12:45pm	Careers at the City of Gold Coast	City of Gold Coast
1:15pm	Career choices - how to make the most of your opportunities	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland



SCAN YOUR NAME BADGE AT EXHIBITOR BOOTHS TO ENTER





# FRIDAY STAGE SCHEDULE

TIME	TALK	PRESENTED BY
9:45am	Digging deep – careers in construction and mining	Civil Safety
10:00am	Careers in the Australian Defence Force	Australian Defence Force
10:15am	What happens when I finish school? A world of opportunity awaits!	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland
10:35am	The Art of Makeup	HUXLEY School of Makeup
10:55am	Navy Band	Australian Defence Force
11:15am	Career choices - how to make the most of your opportunities	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland
11:35am	Towel art – get into some creative hospitality!	Peppers Broadbeach
12:05pm	Advanced manufacturing - Careers of the future	Gold Coast Manufacturing Hub
12:15pm	What happens when I finish school? A world of opportunity awaits!	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland
12:35pm	Enterprise and Training – develop your skills to reach your career goals	Enterprise & Training Company (ETC)
12:45pm	Benefits of volunteering	City of Gold Coast
1:15pm	Career choices - how to make the most of your opportunities	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University, Tafe Queensland

# SATURDAY STAGE SCHEDULE

TIME	TALK	PRESENTED BY
9:30am	Talking apprenticeships	Busy at Work
10:00am	The Art of Communication with Ryan Tuckwood	Swish Sales
11:00am	Graduate Programs - What they are and how to get one with Simon Gibson	AceGrad
11:30am	Changing careers or looking to go back to university? Hear how to succeed	Student Panellists from: Bond University, Griffith University, Southern Cross University
12:00pm	The Need To Know of Tertiary Admissions: Whether you're a school-leaver applying or a mature-age student looking for a change	QTAC



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With over 13 years' experience in the world of sales, communication and human behaviour, following his move from the UK in 2010, Ryan Tuckwood now dedicates his life to showing the next generation of sales professionals, entrepreneurs and business owners a more ethical, authentic, and relationship-driven based approach to sales and communication, called SWISH.

SWISH stands for Selling With Integrity and Selling Honestly.

In 2018, Ryan was successful on the TV show Shark Tank Au, as SWISH became the first company in Shark Tank Au history to secure & keep 3 investors in Dr. Glen Richards, Steve Baxter and Andrew Banks, who are still a part of the company today.

With their guidance, he has created what is widely known as world's best practice on demand sales & communication training, called the SWISH Academy. With members such as; Qld Education, Qld Health, Qld Government, National Storage, AMEX, Mercedes Benz, Roubler, eToro, Isuzu, this really does cross every industry.

In April 2021, Ryan was awarded the prestigious Distinguished Talent Visa as part of the Australian Government Global Talent Program, providing him with permanent residency here in Australia.

He is a super proud father to his 2 young boys, Maverick & Foxx.

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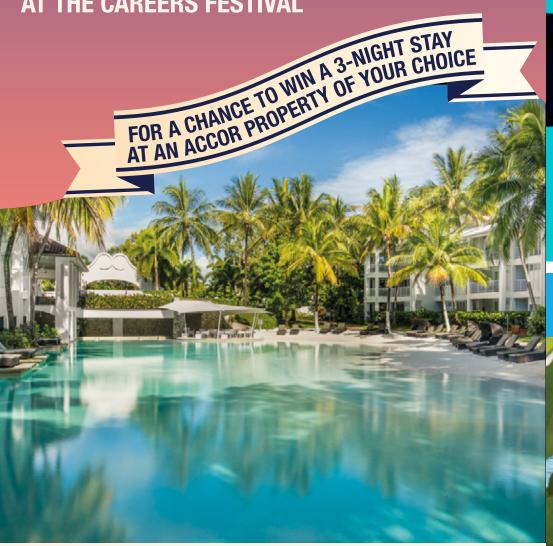
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I was working in hospitality and tourism when I had an accident while I was skiing in Japan. That injury turned into countless hospital visits, which gave me a lot of exposure to the health industry. The nurses throughout my recovery journey brightened my day with their kind and caring nature and it made me rethink my whole career path. I've always been a people person and I saw that my interpersonal skills could transfer well into a nursing career.

## TAFE QUEENSLAND

I enrolled in the July 2020 intake and haven't looked back since. The practical facilities at the TAFE Queensland Southport campus were amazing and that had a huge impact on my learning as I was able to grasp the concepts much easier. The facilities really increased my confidence and refined my skill level, ensuring I was well prepared when going into industry placements.

If I hadn't had my accident, I would have never had the opportunity to meet and talk to all the inspiring nurses that looked after me and I wouldn't have had the time or drive to become a student at the age of 30. It's certainly confirmed that it was the right decision to change my career.

I've always had a passion for working with timber, so I took woodwork as an elective at school and then when I left I enrolled in cabinet making at TAFE on the Gold Coast. I'm just about to complete my apprenticeship at PCS Cabinets in Murwillumbah and I love every minute of my job. The most rewarding part as an apprentice is having more opportunities to go on site and install the kitchens and bathrooms and seeing the process from start to finish.

With the right determination and enthusiasm, I think any woman can succeed in any career they like. I've succeeded in a traditionally male-dominated trade, but there's a lot more girls coming through the ranks now. Certainly, the training and the skills I received from TAFE



Queensland ensured that I could hold my own in any company, which has given me so much confidence on the job. My teachers were amazing and always there to help if anyone was unsure or needed reassurance.

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# Open Day 2023

Gold Coast Campus: 6 August Northern Rivers: 10 August Coffs Harbour: 13 August

Discover which courses spark your interest and the campus or study mode that works best for you and enter to win one of three Amsterdam+ e-bikes worth \$2,998\*.





My full-time job is in the tech industry which is all about innovation, so it made sense that I decided to study business majoring in entrepreneurship and innovation. I'm always trying to find better ways to do things and for a

business to move forward, they always need to

be looking ahead into the future. You need to

listen to your customers and the market that you're operating in and how that market is changing.

Studying business has taught me a range of skills, the most important of which was communication. The content in the degree is really relevant and up to date. It's something you can take anywhere with you, whatever business, or field you go into - if it's your own business, you're going to learn invaluable skills. After graduating I'd like to pursue a

After a successful career in banking and finance, Arlo Robinson was keen to explore new opportunities, so he enrolled at Southern Cross University in 2020. "The IT degree really refined my areas of interest. I saw how it could offer a fantastic way to pivot and be flexible. and to be confident in making those kinds of decisions."

An important part of Arlo's study experience was mentoring, and he encourages other students to take advantage of this service. "I participated in the Bright Futures Mentoring Program and the UniMentor Program. It was such great support, from basic study tips and where to find resources, to engaging with staff for guidance along the way."

Since graduating with a Bachelor of Information Technology (Big Data) Arlo's IT



career is on track after joining Australia's largest rail freight operator Aurizon, which transports more than 250 million tonnes of commodities each year. He joined Aurizon earlier this year and is revelling in the opportunities around data engineering, data reporting and analytics, and data science with his new employer.



# Bond's Open Day 29 July, 2023

We can't wait for you to get a real taste of the Bond experience, with opportunities to explore your study options, hear from current students and staff and have all your questions answered.

# **REGISTER NOW**





After spending 18 years in his hometown of Tamworth, NSW, Samuel Clark decided it was time for a change of scenery. Now enrolled at Bond University, Samuel says he's loved every minute since moving here. "Studying on the Gold Coast has opened a world of possibilities for me, such as working at the Gold Coast 500 supercar

BOND UNIVERSITY

races, where I was given the opportunity to spend 3 days in a corporate box and walk on the racetrack."

Samuel also had the opportunity to work at the world surf league event while studying his degree, an event he never dreamed he'd get the chance to experience. The work opportunities have been fantastic, and I've really enjoyed my study experience at Bond University. "Living in the best city on earth has enabled me to make a lifetime of memories with some amazing new friends, which is something I never thought would happen so soon."

Bond University is the perfect environment to nurture your wildest dreams. I've been blessed with so many unique opportunities that have helped me further my professional and personal development. I love the rigorous discussion in class. My opinions and thought processes are always being challenged at Bond, which in turn, leads me to having a broader understanding of the world, and the origins of my thoughts and beliefs.

One of the best things about studying at Bond is that they encourage students to gain as much industry experience as possible, and this is something I've been lucky enough to have already done. Undertaking an industry placement has allowed me to deepen my understanding of my chosen field, and better understand where I should focus my attention as I prepare for my future career. In five years,



MA-JANNEH MILLER
Bachelor of International Relations and
Rachelor of Laws

I hope to be in a job that combines my passions of law, international relations, and playwriting – perhaps working in the growing field of arts diplomacy, or as an in-house lawyer for a theatre company.

# OPEN DAY SUNDAY 13 AUGUST 9AM-2PM | NATHAN + GOLD COAST

Register at griffith.edu.au/open-day





'My long-term career goal is to help create positive change in the wellbeing of the wider Aboriginal community. I decided to study pharmacy to get a deep understanding of medicine and patient care. I aim to combine theoretical and practical skills from my degree with my drive to better understand the needs of Aboriginal communities to contribute to closing the gap in health and life expectancy.'

Georgina is a Kamilaroi woman, completing her Bachelor of Pharmacy with distinction in 2021, and the following year Georgina was named the Pharmacy Guild of Australia / MIMS Intern of 2022. During her third year at Griffith, Georgina completed a rural placement in Bowen where she is currently working as a pharmacist.

Kaitlin Weekes recently graduated with a double degree in psychology and criminology, securing a role with the Queensland Police Service after being mentored by retired Police Inspector and fellow Griffith graduate Rob McCall. Griffith was one of the first universities in Australia to recognise the importance of providing industry mentors with the Industry Mentoring Program.

"The industry mentoring program changed my life. Being mentored gave me confidence and the positivity to move ahead," Kaitlin says. "Rob was incredibly helpful. The rapport between us was very open. And I think I needed someone that helped me recognise my strengths and weaknesses to further my career journey."







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