



e-Newsletter

January in Australia will set the temperatures to rise. Filled with sunny days it gives you a break from the long-lasting winters. An opportunity to enjoy warm morning walks and sunny day outings at beach. January marking two special events with a new year and Australia day gives an opportunity for celebrations bringing in many festive carnivals and events into the city.

NSW removes points and work experience requirements for Visa subclass 190

With the increase in the availability of the skilled independent visa, NSW removes points and work experience for Visa subclass 190. Yet one has to meet all the requirements set out by the department of Home Affairs. Only applicable in the state of New South Wales.

For more detailed information please check:

<https://overseasstudentsaustralia.com/news-for-international-students-australia/#/news/nsw-removes-points-and-work-experience-requirements-for-visa-subclass-190>

Negative test for travellers from China

Travellers from China need to take a COVID-19 test and present a negative test result before boarding the plane to Australia from 5th Jan, 2023. This is a step taken with abundance caution and as a temporary measure.

<https://overseasstudentsaustralia.com/news-for-international-students-australia/#/news/travellers-from-china-will-need-a-negative-test-results-before-boarding-a-flight-to-australia>

AVETMISS data reporting

It is a national data standard. All registered RTOs need to collect and report AVETMISS data on accredited training activity. This is TVA (total VET activity).

Why?

- To ensure consistency and accuracy of VET information
- RTOs can use the AVETMISS statistics for their business, can benchmark their RTO.
- Number of NCVER reports and data can be accessed for free from AVETMISS portal.



How?

- Collect enrolment data from students
- USI (Unique Student Identifier) is a mandatory field for reporting nationally, collect and verify student's USI.
- RTO;s have to upload that data into AVETMISS compliant student management system (SMS)
- File validation takes place through NCVER's AVETMISS validation software. (AVS).
- Once your data is validated error free, it must be submitted via AVS for fee-for-service training activity or through relevant state training authority for government funded training activity.

<https://www.ncver.edu.au/rto-hub/rto-fact-sheets>

USI – Unique Student Identifier

A USI is an individual education number given to a student for life. It gives the student an online record of their VET taken in Australia. An USI is mandatory to get Commonwealth financial assistance or to a receive a qualification or to get statement of attainment.

To create a USI or to check if you a USI, visit: <https://www.usi.gov.au/>

How to verify your USI?

- Visit <https://portal.usi.gov.au/org/TermsAndConditions?ReturnUrl=%252forg%252f>
- Read and agree to the terms and conditions given.
- Fill in the required information regarding your
- USI
- First or given name
- Last or family name
- Date of birth

Events And Activities

Study Melbourne Career Catalyst Event – Preparing for a job interview

Preparing for a job interview with all the required tools and tips you need, to ensure you feel confident. To make sure you are best prepared for your upcoming job interviews.

Date: 17th Jan 2023

Time: 12:00 PM to 01:00 PM

Venue: Online

Cost: free

<https://www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/event/preparing-for-a-job-interview>



Study Melbourne Career Catalyst Event – Networking for career

A great platform to learn about how to build a network by creating a relationship with a group of people within your industry for a career growth.

Date: 24th Jan 2023

Time: 12:00 PM to 01:00 PM

Venue: Online

Cost: free

<https://www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/event/how-networking-can-set-up-your-career-for-life>



Bourke Street Mall Busking

Take a stroll along Melbourne’s busking centre of Bourke Street Mall, where some of the best performers entertain.

Date: 05 to 10 Jan 2023

Venue: Bourke Street Mall, Melbourne

Cost: free event

Check out the list of artists performing:

<https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/bourke-street-mall-busking>



Women Now Exhibition

The exhibition space will be bursting with feminist artworks from over 50 artists, makers and designers. Women Now is an end of year salon exhibition and reflects the current moment. It’s a call to a feminist future and for women to hold space, be seen, heard and valued equally.

Date: 05 to 13 Jan 2023

Venue: Queen Victoria Women’s Centre,
210 Lonsdale St, Melbourne

Cost: free event

For more information visit:

<https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/women-now-exhibition>



Live At the Bowl

A festival of music, dance, community-led family friendly events. At Victoria's iconic outdoors venue, Sidney Myer Music Bowl. Great summer day to be spent in the heart of the city.

Date: 05 to 13 Jan 2023

Time: all day

Venue: Sidney Myer Music Bowl, Linlithgow Ave, Melbourne 3000

Cost: Free to \$199.90 (based on the event)

<https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/live-at-the-bowl>



Lunar New Year Lion Dance

Watch on as a traditional lion dance makes its way through the Queen Vic Market to celebrate Lunar New Year and the Year of the Rabbit.

Date: 29th Jan 2023

Time: 10:00 AM to 02:00 PM

Venue: Queen Victoria Market, Queen St, Melbourne 3000

Cost: free event

<https://whatson.melbourne.vic.gov.au/things-to-do/lunar-new-year-lion-dance>

