



## Welcome from the Careers Centre Manager

Welcome to our first edition of the Careers Centre e-newsletter. We plan to issue it regularly to keep you updated with developments in the Centre as well as events and activities you can get involved in.

The Careers Centre is here to assist you get the most out of your university experience and add to your degree. All of our [staff](#) are experienced in providing a range of services to support you with your career development and planning. We encourage you to visit us or our [website](#), and make the most of what we can offer you.

Please enjoy reading our newsletter and staying up to date with what's happening in your Careers Centre.

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Manager,  
Careers and Employer Liaison Centre

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## Centre updates

### Staff updates

We recently welcomed a new Career Development Consultant, Cathy Contala, to our team to increase the individual careers support we offer students – we now have more [appointment and drop in times](#) available to make it easier to get help when you need it.

Mark Gregory has also moved to the new role of Career Development Consultant (Engagement), and is focused on engaging with students to support equity, equal opportunity and cultural diversity. Mark will continue to work with all students as well as provide increased support to

- students from low socio-economic backgrounds
- Indigenous students
- students with disabilities
- students from non-English speaking backgrounds
- women studying in non-traditional areas.

## New publications



### Flinders Careers Centre Guide 2015

Our recent publication, the [Careers Guide](#), is designed to provide you with information, ideas and tips to make the most of your time at university, and help you with transitioning to the next stage, whatever you decide that is.

### Employer Profiles

Connect with organisations that want to connect with you!

The Careers Centre receives information from organisations that want to promote their opportunities and connect with Flinders students and graduates.

View information about these organisations and the opportunities available to you on our [Employer Profiles](#) webpage.



## Careers out and about

The year got off to a busy start with the launch of a number of inaugural leadership programs as well as our annual Career Fairs – Here's a snapshot.



Our new [Career Leaders](#) team spread the word about our services and programs during O'Week.



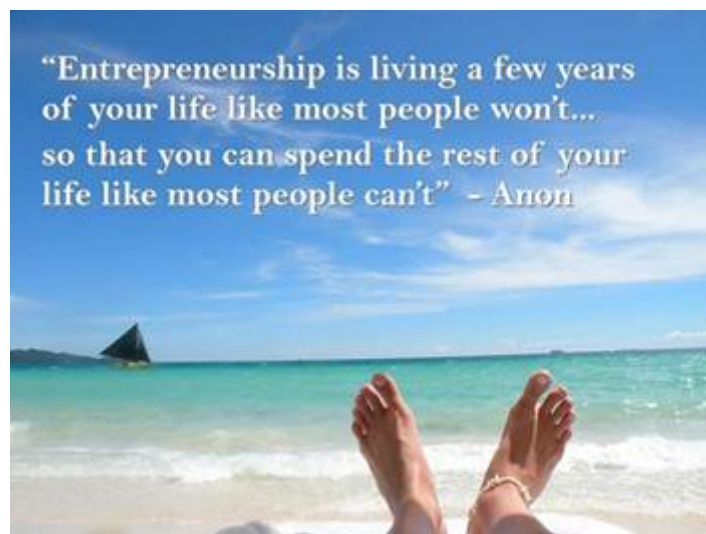
Participants in the new [Student Leadership Program](#) spent time volunteering at FoodBank SA in April, where they learnt more about the great work [FoodBank](#) do in the community.



80 organisations visited our Bedford Park, Tonsley and City campuses for our March and April [Career Fairs](#), meeting and talking to more than 650 students.



## An enterprising approach



Entrepreneurship isn't just about starting businesses. Entrepreneurial people can be found everywhere: large and small businesses, charities, not-for-profit organisations and the public sector. Entrepreneurs spot opportunities, innovate, bring about change and create value. Could this be you?

Flinders University offers a range of opportunities to help you develop your entrepreneurial capacity.

[Continue reading](#) this article on page 14 of our new Careers Centre Guide.



## Upcoming events

### Seminars and Webinars

Our popular Seminar and Webinar series continues every Wednesday in term two.

#### Sessions May - June

This month we focus on successfully moving from study to work, preparing effective resumes and cover letters and finding jobs – how to best utilise job boards, find job opportunities that aren't advertised and the role of recruitment agencies.

If you are looking for part-time or casual work or graduate employment these sessions are for you.

If you're on-campus attend the seminar at **12:00pm - 12:50pm** in the Health Sciences Building: 1.09 Lecture Theatre. Or, log on to [FLO live](#) at **3.00pm** to participate in the webinar.

For further details visit our [website](#).

Upcoming Seminar and Webinar sessions	Date
<b>Transition to Employment</b> Find out about the rewards and challenges of transitioning from university to employment. What to expect and how to manage a successful transition.	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>CVs and Cover Letters</b> What to include in your resume, what does marketing yourself mean, how to do it and writing stand out cover letters.	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Job Search Techniques</b> Whether you are looking for casual, part-time, graduate or at broader employment opportunities, this session is aimed at assisting you to plan and strategise your job search for the greatest impact.	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Job Board Strategies</b> An introduction to using these powerful job search tools - from setting up a profile, organising job alerts and using keywords to maximise your searches.	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>The Hidden Job Market</b> Accessing the hidden jobs market - where and how to look for jobs that are not (and may never be) advertised.	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
<b>Recruitment Agencies - How to use them in your Job Search</b> What are they? How do they work? Which Agency? When should you approach an Agency? What happens next? Find out in this session.	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June

## DegreePlus

The DegreePlus Program is designed to assist you before you graduate with a series of workshops and seminars focusing on employability skills.

DegreePlus sessions are designed to further develop your abilities and place an emphasis on the practical skills necessary in the workplace, while also giving you an opportunity to better understand how to apply these skills through your studies.

These 90 minutes programs are open for all currently enrolled Flinders University students at no cost!

A certificate of attendance is issued to participants.

[Register to attend](#)

Upcoming DegreePlus sessions	Date
<b>Conflict Resolution &amp; Negotiation</b> Employers identify the ability to deal with conflict as integral to the success of future graduates in the workplace. Explore a range of strategies and techniques important for negotiating difficult situations in the workplace.	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Communication</b> This session will help you to better understand how to improve your written and verbal communication skills for workplace settings. Integral to the success of graduates in the workplace is the ability to communicate effectively.	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Working Effectively in Teams</b> One of the most important skills employers identify as being integral to success of graduates in the workplace is the ability to work in teams. This session will assist you in developing your skills and abilities in working in teams and broaden your understanding of team work.	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Critical &amp; Innovative Thinking</b> Employers value people who can think critically and innovate to problem solve and generate new ideas. This session will assist you in creating, applying and recognising the value of new ideas and help you to develop processes to problem solve and make decisions.	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May



## Volunteer opportunity of the month

### Marketing / Events / Sports & Recreation Volunteers with NRL South Australia

NRL South Australia are looking for volunteers to assist with the following events:

- All-Stars Carnival - July 18<sup>th</sup>
- NRL SA Grand Final Day - Sept 5th

Volunteers will assist with:

- Event preparation and coordination (i.e. event timetable, catering for corporate marquees etc.)
- Organising and managing information for the event (including contact details, programme information)

- Creating and designing marketing material - brainstorm ideas for publicity and marketing of the event

For further information about this and other volunteer opportunities visit our [Volunteer webpage](#).

Volunteering is a fantastic way to gain experience, build your skills and contribute in your community.

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## Graduate programs

Many organisations are currently recruiting for their 2016 Graduate Programs.

If you are in your final year don't miss out on the opportunity to secure graduate employment now.

Graduate programs can give you a great start in an organisation. They generally provide extra training and support as you transition into the work place and can involve rotations through various departments, enabling you to gain diverse experience and knowledge.

Organisations, including Government Departments, recruit graduates from a wide range of disciplines for their programs.

View currently advertised Graduate Programs on our [daily job vacancy listing](#).

You can also register to receive a copy of our daily job listing by email.

**Need help applying for a program?** [Make an appointment or attend a drop in session.](#)

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## Talk to us

Get in touch and let us know if there is anything you would like to see included in future editions of our e-newsletter, or if you would like to contribute an article about your involvement in one of our events or programs.

Contact [careers@flinders.edu.au](mailto:careers@flinders.edu.au) with your feedback and ideas.