



ACCE BIENNIAL CAREER
EDUCATION CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE PROGRAM 2025



BACK TO THE FUTURE



1 - 2 DECEMBER, 2025
DEAKIN UNIVERSITY, BURWOOD CAMPUS

DAY 1



7:45am - 8:45am	Registration (Sports Hall, Level 2, Building HB)
8:45am - 9:00am	ACCE President's Welcome (LT13)
9:00am - 9:15am	Deakin University Vice Chancellor, Professor Iain Martin (LT13)
9:15am - 10:00am	Keynote: Public Skills Australia CEO, Jean Dyzel (LT13)
10:00am - 10:30am	Morning Tea & Career Expo (Sports Hall, Level 2, Building HB)
10:30am - 10:40am	Keynote: Department of Education Victoria, Assistant Deputy Secretary Senior Secondary Pathway Reforms, Natalie Garcia de Heer (LT13)
10:40am - 11:25am	Keynote: SEEK, Blair Chapman, PhD, Senior Economist (LT13)
Presentations and Workshops 11:25am - 12:25 pm	
Session 1: New Metrics for New Futures: Reimagining Success in Senior Secondary Pathways (LT1A) Angela Pollock, Director, Research Practice Partnerships, Melbourne University	Session 2: Bridging the Gap: What Employers Want (LT2) Shanan Green, CEO, Australian Association of Graduate Employers and Industry Panelists
Session 3: Counselling micro skills for career guidance (HD3.008) Linda Kearley, Senior Workshop Facilitator, Conversant Counselling	Session 4: Ethical Practice for Career Practitioners (LT12) Kerry Brookes, RTO Manager/Head of Teaching and Learning, ACCE
Lunch & Career Expo (Sports Hall, Level 2, Building HB) 12:25pm - 1:35pm	
Presentations and Workshops 1:35pm - 2:35pm	
Session 5: Using AI to Scale Human Guidance (LT12) Steve Cole, Chief Technology Officer, Morrisby UK	Session 6: Jobs of the Future, Criminology/Psychology (LT2) Amy Keating, Disability Justice Coordinator, DFFH; Robin Cameron, Program Manager Bachelor of Criminology & Alyssa Sigamoney, Deputy Manager Bachelor of Criminology & Psychology, RMIT University and Associate Professor Dr. Katie Wood, Course Director, Swinburne University
Session 7: GAP Year and Study Abroad (LT1A) Will Pashley, Director, Projects Abroad Director and Chief Petty Officer Andrew Corbett & Bombardier Jesse Fulham, Australian Defence Force	Session 8: The Revolution of the Accounting Profession (HD3.008) Andrew Albury, Senior Manager Membership Growth, CPA Australia
Afternoon Tea & Career Expo (Sports Hall, Level 2, Building HB) 2:35pm - 3:00pm	
Presentations and Workshops 3:00pm - 4:00pm	
Session 9: CICA and ACCE Career Practitioner Survey Results (HD3.008) Trevor Black, ACCE President	Session 10: Entrepreneurial Journeys (LT2) Davin Karunanayake, Co-founder and CTO, Huddled, Swinburne University; Tristan Gerrish, General Manager, ANZ Octane Systems, Deakin and Sid Verma, Founder and Executive Director, BrainSTEM, RMIT
Session 11: Get the ball rolling (LT1A) Olivia Steedman, Education Partnerships and Marketing Manager, Richmond Institute; Andrew Lawlor, Executive Manager Education, AFL Sportsready, Chris Reidy, Director, SEDA Group and Michael Beer, MCEA Manager, Cricket Victoria	Session 12: ACCE Member Resources Update (LT12) Amelia McCulloch, Project Manager, ACCE Member Services and Danielle Flack, Curriculum Writer, ACCE

Deakin University Campus Tour from 4:15pm meeting in Central Precinct

DAY 2



7:45am - 9.00am	Registration (Sports Hall, Level 2, Building HB)
8:15am - 9:00am	Regional Career Group Presidents' Breakfast (HD3.008)
8:30am - 9:15am	Breakfast refreshments (Central Precinct, Level 2, Building HB)
9:15am - 9:20am	Welcome Day 2 (LT13)
9:20am - 10:20am	Keynote: Spectrum House, Psychologist Director, Emma-Rose Parsons (LT13)
Presentations and Workshops 10:20am - 11:20am	
Session 1: Careers Presentation in Industry (LT1A) Dr. Rick Ede, Earn-Learn Program, College of Vocational Education, RMIT, and Matthew Baker, Manager Engineering and Madeleine Dutton, Education Manager, Chisholm Institute	Session 2: Rewriting your future: Career Planning for the 21st Century (LT12) Louisa Renard, Co-Director of Careers & Pathways, Kate Buchanan, Co-Director of Careers & Pathways, Darren Irvine, Assistant Principal - Innovation, resources, and people, Student Leadership Representative, Templestowe College
Session 3: Embedding Career Education in the F-10 Curriculum (HD3.008) Emily Barter, Jobs, Skills and Pathways Manager and Lauren Miosku, Pathways Officer, Department of Education	Session 4: Healthcare Careers Re-imagined: Guiding Students into a Changing World of Health (LT13) Dr Ray Boyapati
Session 5: Survival Guide for new Career Practitioners (HE1.015 & HE1.018) Jacky Burton, Career Development Practitioner and Annette Davie Smythe, Careers Practitioner/Year 11 Wellbeing Leader, Firbank Grammar School	Session 6: Tools of Change, Empowering Women to Succeed in Skilled Trades (LT2) Abby Kempe, Major Projects and Partnerships Manager, and National trusted trade apprenticeship support group Peer Mentor, Tradeswomen Australia
Awards Lunch (Sports Hall, Level 2, Building HB) Commencing at 11:20am - 1:20pm	
Afternoon Tours & Presentations Industry tours departing from 1:20 to 1:45pm and returning around 3:45pm Onsite presentation from 1:35pm - 2:35pm	
Industry Tour Synchrotron, Monash University	Industry Tour Victorian Tunnelling Centre
Industry Tour Belgravia Leisure	Presentation (LT1A) Morrisby and MCI



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EMERGENCY CONTACTS

ACCE Conference Support Staff will be available during the conference. Please find their details below in case of an emergency.

The emergency assembly point for Central Precinct, LT13, HD, HE and the sports hall, is the second oval, the one just outside Central Precinct/LT13. Building X and I, the assembly point is on Morgan's walk, near The Cube.

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TRADE STALL EXHIBITION

The ACCE conference Trade Exhibition is on Day 1 of the conference (1 Dec 2025). The Trade Exhibition is located in the Sports Hall, Level 2 of Building HB and opens from 8:00am to 3:00pm.



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REGISTRATION DESK

Head to the registration desk to receive your ACCE delegate bag that includes:

- A lanyard, conference pen, and personalised name tag
- Conference program
- The conference edition of the ACCE Journal
- A selection of flyers and information from our valued sponsors
- One complimentary coffee per day from the cafes listed below

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Building LC, Level 2	Little Bang
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