# **HOW TO**

# NAVIGATE LIFE AFTER YEAR 12

Graduating from Year 12 is a significant milestone, and as you await your **Queensland Certificate of Education** (QCE) results, your **ATAR** score or **VET** course completion results, it's important to remember that your results do not define your future. This How To Guide provides six essential steps to help you navigate life after graduation, ensuring you make informed and confident decisions about your career and education.





# **REFLECT ON YOUR SOFT SKILLS**

Your ATAR is just one measure of your abilities. Focus on your soft skills such as communication and resilience, as these will set you apart in the job market.



# START WITH WHAT YOU ENJOY

Begin your career journey with opportunities that align with your interests. The experiences you gain will continue to develop and enrich your skill set, leading to further opportunities.



#### **EMBRACE VULNERABILITY**

Be open to new possibilities and understand that plans can change. Just because something doesn't go as expected, doesn't mean it's the wrong path.



#### **EXPLORE VET PATHWAY GUARANTEED ENTRY**

Many universities offer guaranteed entry through VET pathways. If you have completed a Certificate III or higher, you may be eligible for direct entry into various university Bachelor degrees.



# **CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE STUDY OPTIONS**

Look into other education pathways such as Fee Free TAFE courses for Year 12 graduates or pursuing a Diploma course, which can provide valuable skills and qualifications.



### **EMBRACE A UNIQUE JOURNEY**

Remember that there are many ways to achieve your career goals. Your journey is unique, and success comes in various forms. Be open to exploring different paths.



Network with professionals and seek mentorship to gain insights and guidance on your career path. Building relationships can open doors to opportunities you might not have considered.



# **IN SUMMARY**

Navigating life after Year 12 involves focusing on your soft skills, starting with what you enjoy, embracing new possibilities, exploring VET pathways, considering alternative study options, and embracing a unique journey. Your career path is yours to create, and success can come in many forms.



#### WHAT NEXT?

For more tips and guidance, explore the resources available on the Redlands Coast Jobs website. Embrace the multitude of ways to achieve your career goals and dreams, and remember that your journey is unique and full of potential.

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