



## > Aboriginal Health Careers: pathways, options and advice



If you are thinking about studying a health related course, we would like to hear from you. We will guide you to discover pathways and options towards an exciting career in health including Medicine\*, Pharmacy, Nursing, Psychology, Social Research, Health Science and Community Care.

We provide Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants with information and support to help you achieve your best at University.

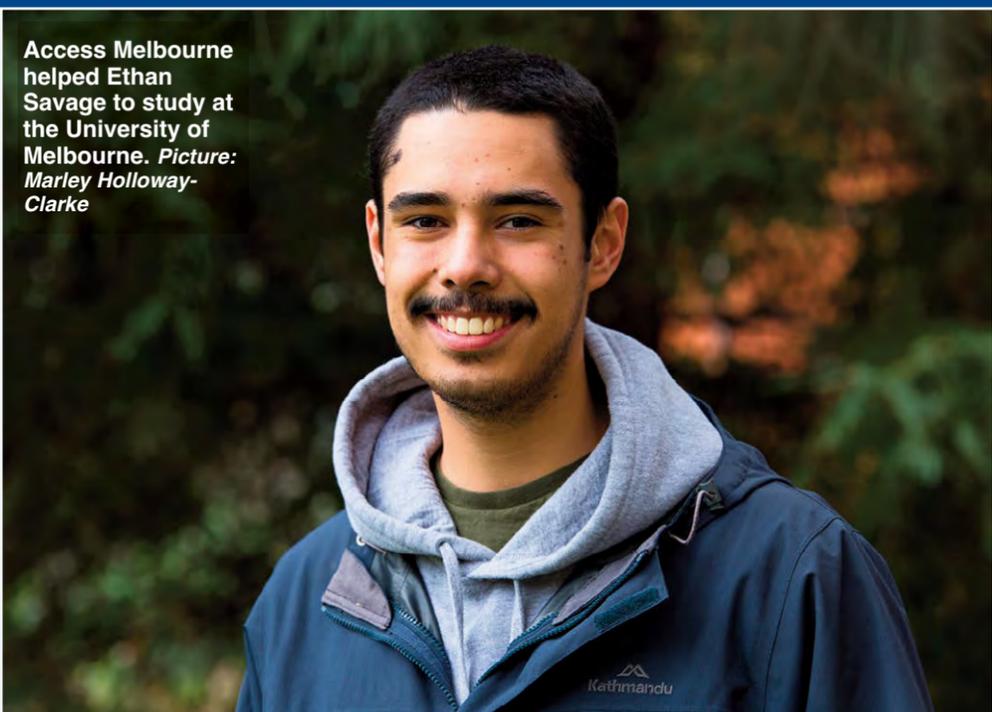
Some of the benefits of studying with us in Tasmania:

- Access to the Riawunna Aboriginal Student Support Centre (at three campuses)
- Live in culturally diverse communities
- New accommodation options
- City based campuses
- Being close to culturally significant areas
- Study at a university with a strong rural community focus

Find out more  
 > Visit [utas.edu.au/aboriginal-health-careers](http://utas.edu.au/aboriginal-health-careers) or email [aboriginal.healthcareers@utas.edu.au](mailto:aboriginal.healthcareers@utas.edu.au)

\* Applications for the Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery close at 5pm September 28th 2018. Funded by the Australian Government as part of the Rural Health Multidisciplinary Training (RHMT) Program.

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Access Melbourne helped Ethan Savage to study at the University of Melbourne. Picture: Marley Holloway-Clarke

# Access to uni is now even easier

ETHAN Savage, 19, is on a cultural learning curve as one of more than 300 Indigenous students at the University of Melbourne.

"Students come from such diverse backgrounds," Ethan said. "Even Indigenous people who are from Melbourne, they come in and they learn so much more about all the different cultures that are all around Australia."

Ethan's Aboriginal descent is Kaantju and Girramay and his Torres Strait Islander descent is from the peoples of Badu Island.

He is a student ambassador for the Murrup Barak Indigenous Institute on the university's Parkville campus, the hub for Indigenous students.

"At Murrup Barak we have our common space," Ethan said. "You have your non-Indigenous friends, but it's great to have that space where you can connect with Indigenous friends."

"They provide a good way for us to stay connected with culture and create a family that's not necessarily blood, but more connected through the university."

"That's definitely helped me cope with the whole moving-away-from-family aspect of things."

Ethan, who was born in Cairns and grew up in

Canberra, followed a popular path to Australia's top-ranked university in 2017 by applying under the university's special entry and equity program, Access Melbourne, which has a category for Indigenous applicants.

The program enabled Ethan to enter the Bachelor of Arts with a yearly scholarship of \$5000. He is pursuing a

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double major in Politics and International Studies, and Anthropology.

The scheme also offers guaranteed entry to degrees in Biomedicine, Commerce, Design, and Science.

Entry to courses including targeted mentoring for Indigenous students – the Bachelor of Arts (Extended) and Bachelor of Science (Extended) – is guaranteed for ATARs of 50.00 and 55.00 respectively,

together with a college place for the first year.

Applicants may be admitted to other courses with reduced ATARs, but places will not be guaranteed.

All Indigenous students starting at the University of Melbourne in the first semester of 2019 will receive the Access Melbourne Scholarship, with possibility of further support through college bursaries and university or government scholarships.

Ethan, a resident at Queen's College said he had received scholarships both from the university and the college.

"It's been incredibly helpful. Without it, I wouldn't have been able to stay here," he said.

To apply for Access Melbourne, students must lodge a Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) application in addition to their course application via the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) website by 5pm on October 12.

VTAC course applications close on September 27.

For more information about Access Melbourne, visit [access.unimelb.edu.au](http://access.unimelb.edu.au)

## YOUR OPPORTUNITY FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES



### FIND A FUTURE YOU THOUGHT WAS OUT OF REACH.

If your circumstances have prevented you from achieving your best possible ATAR, Access Melbourne is the chance you've been searching for. You could earn a scholarship or be guaranteed a place at the University of Melbourne.

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VTAC SEAS applications must be submitted by 5pm on 12 October

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