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Practera Consulting Projects (PCP)

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Today's presentation

- **What:** Practera Consulting Projects (formerly Live Projects)*, the student deliverables, experience overview and expectations
- **Who:** Eligibility and who is involved?
- **Why:** Learning outcomes, #unimelbLiveProjects (previous applicants)
- **When:** Applications and key dates
 - Open: **Monday 12 Apr 2021, 9:00am**
 - Close: **Friday 30 Apr 2021, 11:59pm**
 - Late applications will not be accepted**
- **How:** Application process
- Common Questions

**Program name is subject to change; however, program structure will remain the same.*



What is Practera Consulting Projects (PCP)?

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Practera Consulting Projects (PCP)

Practera Consulting Projects (PCP) is a professional skills development program for international students studying in Victoria.

3-week program where teams of University students work collaboratively to deliver a consulting project for a government agency, corporate, start-up or NGO.

Purpose of this program:

- Develop employability skills
- Expand social connections



<https://www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/>



How is this program different?

Student Teams deliver real value for an Australian Client



Real-world learning



Team-based



Not an assignment



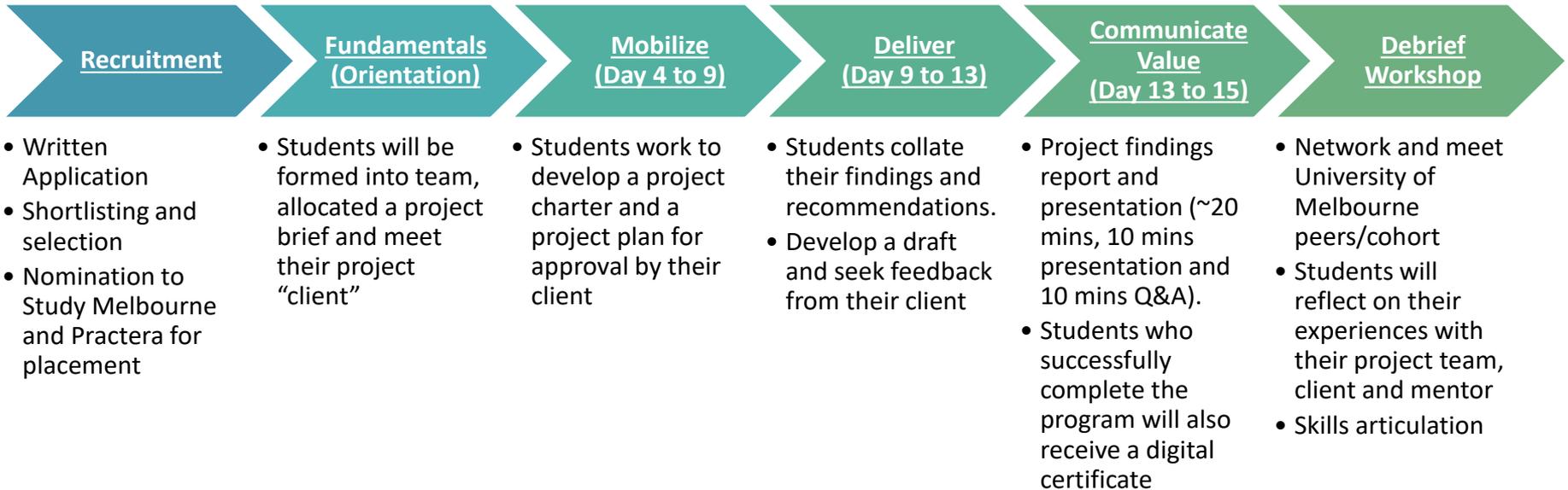
Self-directed



Extracurricular

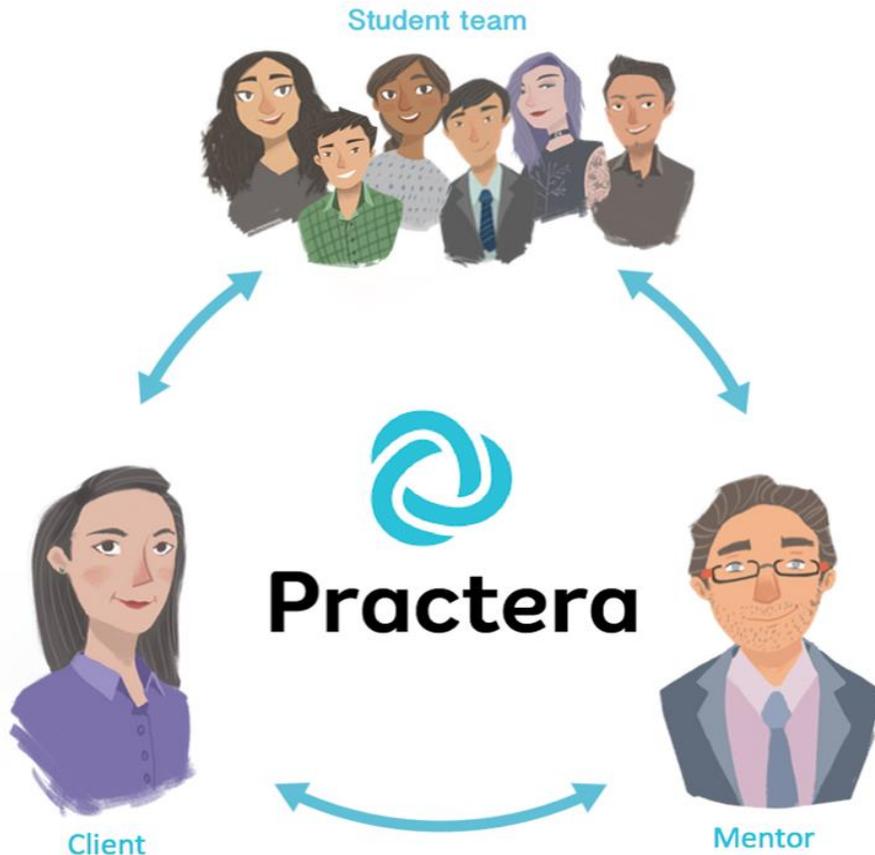


Student Experience Overview



	ORIENTATION	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
Student journey	Meet	Plan	Execute	Present
Deliverables	-	Project Plan	Draft Report	Final Report /Presentation

Expectations around commitment



Student Team

- Min. 50-hour commitment EACH
- (across 3 weeks)
- Organise and attend weekly meetings (~2 hours/week)
- Submit 3 project deliverables
- Teams of 5 to 6 students
- Self-directed and independent work
- Engagement with Mentor and Client
- Deliver for Client
- Deliverables ~3000-word equivalency



Who can participate in PCP?

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Eligibility

About you:

- A currently enrolled international student at The University of Melbourne (e.g. not an Australian Permanent Resident or Citizen)
- At the time of application, either be an undergraduate student in your third year and above (e.g. have successfully completed more than 200 UoM credit points), **or** a postgraduate coursework or graduate research international student
- Have the appropriate IT and technical resources to successfully participate in Practera Consulting Projects (e.g. laptop and reliable internet connection)
- Have attended/watched the Careers and Employability Session on "Preparing your application" with information on Smart Resume and addressing Key Selection Criteria
- Have not previously participated in previous 3 week programs (*previously known as Live Projects or Global Student Talent Accelerator GSTAR*)



Eligibility at the time of application

Practera Consulting Projects (international students)

- Undergraduate 3rd year and above (e.g. have successfully completed more than 200 UoM credit points)
- ALL postgraduate coursework and research students

International UG 3rd year and above

OR

International PG coursework 1st year and under

Global Trade Accelerator (domestic and international students)

- ALL undergraduate students
- Postgraduate coursework students in their 1st year and under (e.g. have successfully completed less than 100 UoM credit points)



Who is involved in PCP?

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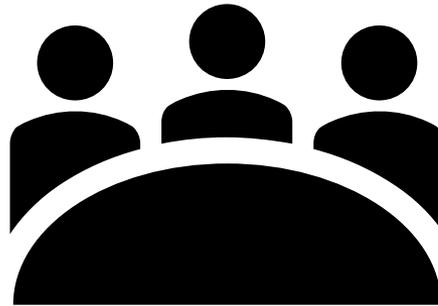
Who is involved?



The University of Melbourne
Nominations and skill
development



Industry Mentor
Support the group & provide
advise



Your Project Group
(5 to 6 international
students from UoM and
potentially other Vic
Universities)



Project Client
A representative from the
organisation you will be
working with



Practera

Practera
Coordinating body of the project's end to end



Industry 'Clients'





Why participate in Practera Consulting Projects?

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How does this Program Work?

There is a 3-week program for a Government or Corporate.

Purpose: To create professional networks and connections.

Requirements:

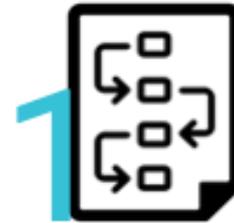
- 1) 50-hour commitment
- 2) Attend weekly sessions
- 3) Submit 3 projects



Why participate in PCP?

Exciting opportunity for you to gain valuable experience, including:

- develop employability skills (project management)
- work in a dynamic team with a range of skills and perspective on 'real-world' business challenges
- perform and analyse research, as well as provide recommendations on a real business problem
- collaborate with students across degrees, year levels and disciplines from The University of Melbourne and possibly with students from other Victorian universities
- be supported by an industry mentor



Final report and Presentation





Hear directly from your peers!

Nicolás Diban Awad • 1st
Industrial engineer and master of enterprise student • Systemic coach and con...
3mo • 🗨️

Over the last three weeks I had the amazing opportunity of participating in the Global Student Talent Accelerator (GSTAR) Program, consulting for the Victorian Government Trade and Investment - SouthEast Asia. Special thanks to our client and particularly to **Clarice Campbell** for her time, useful feedback and support.

I was also lucky to work with an amazing team – **Nina Sophia Dsouza, Thirangie Jayatilake, Yingyu Mei, Prakash RamaChandran and Xiao Liang** and our very wise and helpful mentor **Vanh Mixax**.

Finally, special thanks to the **University of Melbourne, Wai Lee, Jasmine Lim** and all the people that made this program possible. Also, **Study Melbourne, Practera** and **Global Victoria** for this great opportunity and for organizing the Live Projects program.

#unimelbGSTAR #practera #liveprojects #StudyMelbourneGSTAR #volunteering



Sovann Eu • 1st
Data Deduplication Officer at University of Melbourne
4mo • Edited • 🗨️

Over this winter break, I have successfully completed a 3-weeks intensive **liveprojects** arranged by **#studymelbourne #unimelbliveprojects #practera**.

I had a great opportunity to work with an amazing team: **Maria Gabriela Queiroz, Wangshuang (Ida) Qin, Jieying Li, Diksha Jadwani, Simran Arora**, and be under the guidance of an amazing mentor **Greg Barnes (麝格香)**.

I would like to thank **Rebecca Rennie, Gary Lee, Shane McIlroy** who took charge of...

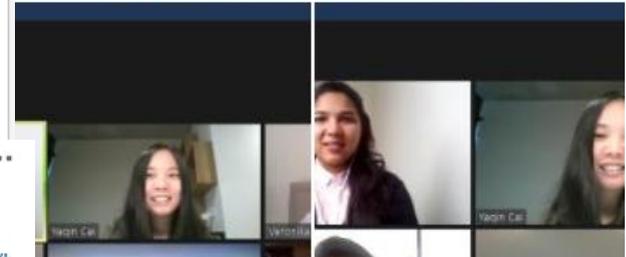
Hamizan Khabib • 1st
Biomedicine Student at University of Melbourne
4mo • 🗨️

My journey in **#LiveProjects** during my winter break was outstanding, remarkable and memorable. I am very grateful for getting a chance to work with **Mei WANG, YI XIE, Manasij Bajpai & Rachana Ramesh** under a supervision of our ama...see more



Veronika Xaveria • 2nd
Fresh Graduate of the University of Melbourne | Final Year Student at Universita...
1w • Edited • 🗨️

It's been a rewarding experience to work on Live Projects by **Study Melbourne** and **Practera**. In this project, I and my colleagues had been working together to deliver pro-bono consulting towards **Blind Sports and Recreation Victoria (BSR)** ...see more



Jahnvi Tandon • 3rd+
Master of Management (Finance) Student at The University of Melbourne. Inter...
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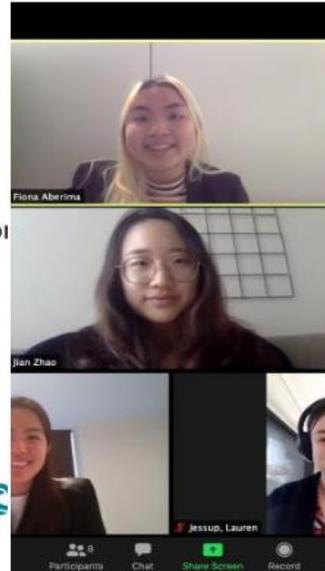
Recently I had the opportunity of working on a Live Project as a Business Consultant for **Business Addicts** and to assist them in finding market opportunities and potential clients. The project was completed over a period of 3-weeks vii...see more



awarded to:

Jahnvi Tandon

Fiona Letos (DED/IR)
Director, International Education
Global Victoria



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When does Practera Consulting Projects start?

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Key Dates for July 2021 Intake

Tues 29 June 2021

Orientation Session (3pm-5.30pm)

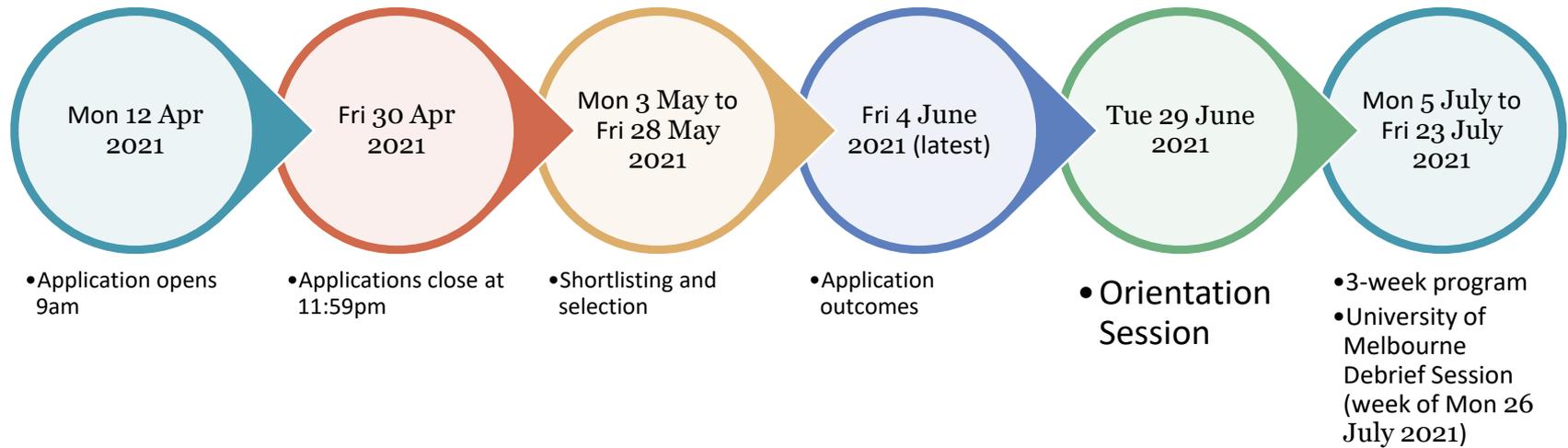


Mon 5 July to Fri 23 July 2021

3-week program



Key Dates for University of Melbourne students



<http://go.unimelb.edu.au/yo2i>



How do I apply?

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Application Form

<http://go.unimelb.edu.au/h82i>

Preview a PDF of the Practera Consulting Projects
July 2021 Application Form via Careers Online:

<http://go.unimelb.edu.au/yo2i>



Application Form

Applicant
details

Key Dates and
Requirements

Smart Resume
Program

Resume
Attachment

Key Selection
Criteria



Careers & Employability Webinar

The Careers and Employability Team will be running one ‘live’ webinar on “**Preparing your project consulting application**” with information using Smart Resume and addressing Key Selection Criteria. The session is a *hurdle requirement*. See details and registration link below:

Thurs 15 April 2021 - 11am

<http://go.unimelb.edu.au/c5pi>

Please register with your University email address and student ID. If you cannot attend the live session, you will need to review the recording.



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Can we choose our industry partner or client?

The matching process is done by Practera and not The University of Melbourne. Please note that the exact host organization and client you will be working with will only be determined once Practera receives student confirmations from the other participating Victorian Universities. Host organization matching and allocations are only done closer to the start of the placement dates.

If there is not a particular industry aligned to your area of study and/or interests, we would encourage you to take this opportunity to explore potential career paths and industries you may not have previously considered in line with the objective of the 3-week project consulting program.



Common Questions

Do we have to meet up as a team?

While in the past 3-week consulting project participants were required to meet in person, for the next intake July 2021, it will still be delivered virtually. This means that you will be working with your team members, your mentor and client entirely online.

If circumstances change, updates will be provided whether you can meet up and do group work in person. However please monitor [COVID-19](#) website for updates and contact program coordinator if you have any questions / concerns.



Common Questions

I am working/planning to work/studying over the summer, can I apply for Practera Consulting Projects?

While it is not strictly recorded, it is expected that students will spend ~50 to 60 hours overall across the 3-week timeframe on Live Projects with their project team.

This includes 10 to 12 hours (including deliverable feedback) of engagement with their project client and mentor, and ~6 hours of online content a week. The exact hours of commitment will depend on your project team and the project deliverables from your client, as this varies from client to client and are based on the client's project brief and guidelines. Deliverables are group-based.

You will need to ensure that you are able to make yourself available to participate in the University's and Practera's compulsory sessions to successfully complete this program.

More FAQs on the website: <http://go.unimelb.edu.au/yo2i>



Further Resources

<https://students.unimelb.edu.au/careers>



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