**Open Day Blog - Melbourne V2 Transcript**

I knew there was a lot going on for Open Day but I wasn’t sure about how much there was, so by a click of the mouse I found the Open Day Guide on the La Trobe website and I could see just how many things were on offer.

It took four hours out of my Sunday and it’s shaped the last two years of my life.

I already knew what course I wanted to do at university so for me the biggest influence in helping me make decisions, to which university to go to, was defiantly the specialised sessions that I specially went to here at La Trobe. I spoke to course coordinators, I spoke to teachers and staff and their passion made me feel so much more positive and really drove my decision back to coming to La Trobe. I knew what I was getting into, I knew how the course was run and I was really excited about that.

Coming on campus is a really great way of getting a feel for what it’s like. No guide or anything like that can really tell you about how it is when you’re a student.

The campus here is really beautiful and the people are so diverse and different, it’s just a really friendly atmosphere. When I came here everyone was smiling, everyone was happy to talk to me about their own experiences, not just lectures and tourers but actual students that were here. So I don’t think I would have ever known was like this unless I went to Open Day.

My biggest advice would be to really plan and organise your day. There’s a planner on the website which allows you to figure out what sessions you want to be at, at exactly what time so you can really know where you need to be and personalise the day for exactly what experience you want.

The best advice I can give is to actually get on the campus on Open Day and check it out for yourself. You really want to get a feel for the university and to be able to make the right choice.

The best advice I could give anyone would be to talk to the teachers, talk to course instructors and really get a feel for what the course involves. Come to Open Day and have all your questions ready, they’re here to help, don’t be afraid because the questions you ask you’ll get really good feedback on.