Meet Our Talent: Alex Diaz

On a mission to discover new answers in neuroscience

While neuroscience is undergoing a rapid evolution, there are still a lot of unanswered questions. And, that’s exactly why Alex chose to study a Bachelor of Biomedicine at the University of Melbourne.

“I wanted to pursue a scientific interest that wasn’t yet fully understood,” he explains.

With a passion for psychiatry and mental health care, Alex is majoring in neuroscience.

After completing VCE at Ballarat Clarendon College, Alex entered the University through Access Melbourne – an equity scheme for domestic students.

Aside from the grant, he preferred Melbourne because the School of Biomedical Sciences is part of the largest biomedical precinct in the Southern Hemisphere – plus, the central city campus location was ideal given his commute from Ballarat.

Alex adds: “Some of the highlights so far have been a Biomedical Science Research Project (BIOM30003) and research intern position at Decision Neuroscience Lab; completing a summer internship project at the University in 2018; and working with brain-imaging techniques such as EEG (electroencephalography) in a lab setting.

Inspired by storytelling, Alex finds the power of narration and exploring ideas through stories helps him to better understand science and people.

“No only is storytelling an engaging way to understand ourselves, but it is also a great tool for making sense of the complicated science that underpins our world.”

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