



# NEWS



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## Differences between UAC Undergraduate and UAC International

As announced in the April 2007 issue of the UAC News, UAC now has two application gateways for undergraduate applicants – *UAC Undergraduate* and *UAC International*. The gateway applicants use depends on their citizenship status – see summaries below.

*UAC International* is an exciting new integrated and flexible admissions process.

This new application mode enables UAC to collect some additional information which aids universities' enrolment processing. It also

enables applicants to record details of any agents who are assisting their application.

If you have any queries about *UAC International*, please email us using the dedicated address for schools with queries about international applicants – [intschools@uac.edu.au](mailto:intschools@uac.edu.au).

Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens and Australian permanent residents will continue to apply using the normal application process – *UAC Undergraduate*.

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### UAC Undergraduate

The following applicants use the UAC Undergraduate gateway:

- Australian citizens (including dual citizens)
  - New Zealand citizens (including dual citizens)
  - Australian permanent resident visa holders
  - Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa holders
- On-time closing is Friday 28 September 2007. Late applications are accepted until Friday 1 February 2008.
  - A non-refundable application fee is payable. Apply on time, as late applications incur a late fee.
  - Some courses have early closing dates - check closing dates before applying.
  - Applicants must apply online through the *UAC Undergraduate* gateway - visit [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au) and select the *UAC Undergraduate* button.
  - Applicants use the *UAC 2008 Guide* to assist them with their application. The *UAC Undergraduate* website includes all of the information contained in the Guide.
  - Applicants can apply for Commonwealth-supported place (CSP) courses or Domestic fee-paying (DFEE) courses. Find details of these courses at [www.uac.edu.au/course\\_search/search.html](http://www.uac.edu.au/course_search/search.html).

### UAC International

The following applicants use the UAC International gateway:

International students undertaking:

- an Australian Year 12 in Australia in 2007
- an Australian Year 12 outside Australia in 2007
- an International Baccalaureate (IB) in Australia in 2007
- a New Zealand National Certificate at Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3 in 2007

who are **NOT**:

- Australian citizens (including dual citizens)
  - New Zealand citizens (including dual citizens)
  - Australian permanent resident visa holders
  - Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa holders
- Applicants are encouraged to submit their application by Wednesday 31 October 2007 for courses starting in semester 1, but can still apply up until February 2008.
  - A non-refundable application fee is payable. There are no late fees.
  - Some courses have early closing dates - check closing dates before applying.
  - Applicants must apply online through the *UAC International* gateway - visit [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au) and select the *UAC International* button.
  - Applicants use the *UAC 2008 International Booklet* to assist them with their application. The *UAC International* website includes all of the information contained in the booklet.
  - Applicants can apply for International fee-paying (IFEE) courses only. Find details of these courses at [www.uac.edu.au/international/course\\_search/search.html](http://www.uac.edu.au/international/course_search/search.html).

UAC NEWS for the: Principal | Careers Adviser | Year 12 Adviser | Curriculum Adviser

Copies of the current and previous newsletters can be downloaded from UAC's website at [www.uac.edu.au/pubs/uacnews.html](http://www.uac.edu.au/pubs/uacnews.html)

# University news & updates

## Charles Sturt University

### Changes to Major Studies

- **B Education (Technical & Applied Studies) 213204 (CSP)**  
Wagga Wagga

For 2008 intake, the major studies available are Agriculture, Design & Technology and Information Technology. Food Technology, Industrial Technology and Textiles will not be available.

### Charles Sturt University's new deferment policy

Charles Sturt University (CSU) has noted the current rural challenges as well as recognising the growing demand for students to take a gap year following their high school studies. While previously students entering through some entry schemes were unable to defer their studies to keep their offer of a place open at their choice course, now all students may keep their offer of a place open for twelve months, regardless of their entry pathway to CSU (including PREP) – check the *UAC 2008 Guide Part 1, table 6* for courses that are excluded from the CSU deferment policy.

Instructions on how to apply for deferment will be issued with the offer.

In this way, CSU is ensuring that students get the opportunity to take time for personal enrichment or family obligations during their gap year and not have the distraction of concern about losing their university offer.

## Macquarie University

### New course

- **B Business Admin in Sport Management 300960 (CSP), 310960 (DFEE)**  
ICMS (Manly)

This is a new course offered at the International College of Management, Sydney. Selection will be based on a combination of UAI and additional selection criteria. For further information visit UAC's course search [www.uac.edu.au/course\\_search/search.html](http://www.uac.edu.au/course_search/search.html) or call Macquarie University on (02) 9850 7314.

On-time applications  
close on

Friday 28 Sept 2007

## Southern Cross University

### New course

- **B Social Science 331170 (CSP)**  
Tweed Gold Coast campus

B Social Science is now also available at Tweed Gold Coast campus.

### New course structures

New course structures have now been approved for the following courses, including a change in majors available per campus.

#### Bachelor of Arts Majors

**333100 Lismore:** Cultural Studies; History, Politics and Society; Writing; Art and Design.

**333151 Coffs Harbour:** Cultural Studies; Media Studies; Psychology.

**333171 Tweed Gold Coast:** Writing.

This course is also offered by Distance Education with the following majors - Cultural Studies; Writing; Indigenous Studies; Media Studies; History, Politics and Society.

#### Bachelor Visual Arts Majors

**333102 Lismore:** Compulsory Studio Studies (3D studies, painting printmaking); Arts Industry and Technology (photography, digital art and design, studio drawing); Arts Industry and Media Arts (online media, photography, online animation, digital art and design, screen production basics).

There are no minors.

#### Bachelor of Media Majors

**333103 Lismore:** Journalism, Screen.

#### Bachelor of Social Science Majors

**331101 Lismore:** Government and Policy Studies.

**331151 Coffs Harbour:** Counselling; Community Studies.

**331170 Tweed Gold Coast:** Social Welfare.

Advanced majors are also available in all of these disciplines.

Practical Experience: up to 400 hours of placement applies to students undertaking the Advanced Majors in Counselling and Social Welfare, for students wishing to gain professional accreditation. These students will be required to undergo a criminal record check.

This course is also available by Distance Education.

## University of New South Wales

### HSC Plus

For 2008 admissions UNSW has introduced 'HSC Plus' - a program of rewarding by means of a bonus points system, performance in Australian Senior Secondary Certificate [Year 12] courses relevant to UNSW undergraduate programs. The scheme applies to local and international 2007 Australian Year 12 students and students undertaking the International Baccalaureate in Australia in 2007. Applicants can receive up to five bonus points on the basis of their performance in individual Year 12/IB courses. Detailed information is available at [www.unsw.edu.au/HSCplus](http://www.unsw.edu.au/HSCplus).

### Changes to Architecture programs

All architecture programs in Australia are moving toward a '3+2' structure where students undertake a three year Bachelor degree followed by a two year Masters degree. The Masters degree is required to become a professional architect. Programs in the Faculty of the Built Environment have been reviewed in 2007 and a number of changes have been approved for 2008 admissions. For further details see [www.fbe.unsw.edu.au](http://www.fbe.unsw.edu.au).

- **B Architectural Studies 423000 (CSP) 3F**

The undergraduate Architecture degree has been renamed B Architectural Studies and reduced in length from five years full-time to three years full-time study. During the initial transition to the 3+2 structure the combined degrees Architecture/Arts, Architecture/Social Sciences and Architecture/Laws (426000) will not be available in 2008.

- **B Architectural Computing 423005 (CSP) 3F**

This new program replaces the existing Science (Architecture) program from 2008. The focus of the B Architectural Computing program is on the thoughtful and creative application of digital technologies to enhance the design professions and improve the quality of the built environment. The program will no longer share a common first year with B Architectural Studies.

## University of Technology, Sydney

### HSC Bonus Scheme

If you're a 2007 Australian high school applicant you may be eligible for the UTS HSC Bonus Scheme. The HSC Bonus Scheme awards bonus points to Australian high school applicants based on their performance in HSC

subjects that are relevant to the course they have applied for.

What this means is that the HSC Bonus Scheme:

- allows UTS to take into account your performance in HSC subjects, in addition to your UAI, that UTS believes will better prepare you for the demands of your chosen university study
- will award bonus points to you based on your performance in selected HSC subjects for the following UTS courses:
  - Engineering – except those combined with Law
  - Science courses – except those combined with Law
  - Design courses
  - B Business
  - B Science in Information Technology
  - B Business B Science in Information Technology.

If you're completing the International Baccalaureate in 2007 you will also be considered under the scheme.

For more information about the UTS HSC Bonus Scheme, including the UTS courses under the scheme and the specific HSC subjects that award bonus points, visit <http://datasearch.uts.edu.au/study/hscbonus.cfm>.

## University of Wollongong

### Early Entry – now available in the Faculty of Arts

Current Year 12 students can now apply for Early Entry into courses offered by the Faculty of Arts (as well as the faculties of Engineering, Informatics, Science and some degrees in the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences).

You must register online to participate in the Early Entry program, registrations close 21 September (you also need to apply through UAC for university entry). For further information visit [www.uow.edu.au/prospective/earlyentry/](http://www.uow.edu.au/prospective/earlyentry/).

### Creative Arts Interview/Audition application forms

In addition to applying to UAC, Creative Arts candidates must also submit an interview/audition application form (available from school careers advisers, head teachers, TAFE counsellors and our UniAdvice Office, call 1300 367 869). The application form must be returned to the University by

28 September 2007. The Faculty of Creative Arts will advise applicants by mail before the end of October if they have been short-listed for an interview/audition and will also advise by mail the interview/audition requirements and date. See 754601-10 B Creative Arts for more information.

### Scholarships

The University of Wollongong's Scholarship program is designed to reward and encourage excellence and to help you achieve your dreams. We offer a range of scholarships including academic, sporting and equity scholarships. The closing date to apply for a scholarship is Friday 28 September 2007. For more information go to [www.uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/](http://www.uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/).

### Other important UOW application closing dates

#### Dean's Scholars Program

Interview applications for the faculties of Arts, Commerce and Creative Arts close 28 September. No interview is required for the Dean's Scholars degrees in Informatics.

#### B Health Sciences

Interview applications and portfolios due 28 September 2007.

#### B Journalism

Interview/audition applications close 28 September 2007.

#### International B Science (Honours)

Faculty applications close 28 September 2007.

## Release of 2007 UAIs

Eligible 2007 NSW HSC students can access their UAI or Limited UAI from 9am on Thursday 20 December 2007 via UAC's website at [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au).

HSC students will also receive an official UAI/Limited UAI Advice Notice in the mail on Friday 21 December 2007.

## UAI Enquiry Centre (02) 8736 5900

20 - 28 December

UAC runs a telephone enquiry centre to support the release of the UAI. It will be staffed by experienced teachers and UAC staff trained especially to answer UAI queries.

Details of the UAI Enquiry Centre will be included in the *You and Your UAI* booklet, which aims to answer some of the most commonly asked questions by students about the UAI.

The booklet will be mailed to HSC students' homes and to schools in mid-December, along with information on changing preferences and dates of university HSC Advisory Days.

## Do you need help with money at uni?



### Apply for an

### EQUITY SCHOLARSHIP

**Commonwealth Scholarships and Institution Equity Scholarships** help students with education and accommodation costs at uni.

For more information visit [www.uac.edu.au/equity](http://www.uac.edu.au/equity)

# For your information

## Email correspondence

Most correspondence from UAC will now be emailed, so it is important to make sure the email address students list on their application is correct and that they check their email regularly.

If any correspondence has not been accessed within five days of being emailed, UAC will mail the correspondence to the applicant.

## Acknowledgement letters

For 2008 admissions, UAC will no longer be sending acknowledgement letters to applicants after they have completed their application.

Applicants will now be provided with a *Confirmation of application* once they have completed their Apply-By-Web application.

This must be checked carefully to make sure everything on the application is correct. If anything needs to be changed, applicants

can use Online applicant services on UAC's website to change their contact details or course preferences. All other changes must be submitted to UAC in writing.

## Important information about offer rounds

Remember! Most offers are made in the Main Round. Last admissions period 59 312 offers were made in the Main Round. In the Late Round 7 739 offers were made, and just 1 636 offers were made in the Final Round. These figures include offers made to both Year 12 and non-Year 12 applicants.

## PINs for Year 12 students

UAC Personal Identification Numbers (PINs) have been sent to NSW HSC and ACT Year 12 students. For Year 12 students from other states (and for all non-Year 12 students), their

PIN is the first four digits of their date of birth. All UAC applicants can change their PIN on UAC's website at [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au).

## Surplus Guides

Because of stock shortages, UAC will not be able to provide surplus copies of the *UAC Guide* to schools for reference use in 2008.

## Changing address

UAC receives the addresses of NSW Year 12 students from the files held by the NSW Board of Studies. Every year UAC sends out thousands of undeliverable letters because Year 12 students have either not notified the Board of Studies of a change of address, or the address is incomplete.

Encourage your students to make sure that the address held for them by the Board of Studies is accurate and complete.

# Important dates for 2008 admissions

The *UAC 2008 Guide* was distributed to schools in the week beginning Monday 23 July 2007. The Guide is available from newsagents for \$19.50.

## Applications

Early August 2007	applications opened
Friday 28 September 2007	on-time applications close
Wednesday 31 October 2007	late applications close with \$97 late fee
Friday 30 November 2007	late applications close with \$109 late fee
Friday 1 February 2008	final close of applications with \$120 late fee

## HSC and UAI

Wednesday 19 December 2007	2007 NSW HSC results e-released by BOS
Thursday 20 December 2007	UAIs e-released by UAC

## ACT Year 12

Wednesday 19 December 2007	2007 ACT Year 12 results issued by ACT Board of Senior Secondary Studies
Friday 21 December 2007	UAIs for ACT Year 12 students e-released by UAC

## Change of preferences

Mid-August 2007 – 4 January 2008	for consideration in Main Round
17 January 2008 – 22 January 2008	for consideration in Late Round
31 January 2008 – 1 February 2008	for consideration in Final Round

## Offers

Friday 26 October 2007	Distance Education Round offers e-released
Wednesday 5 December 2007	Early Round offers e-released
Thursday 3 January 2008	Preliminary Round offers e-released
Thursday 17 January 2008	Main Round offers e-released at 9pm
Thursday 31 January 2008	Late Round offers e-released at 9pm
Thursday 7 February 2008	Final Round offers e-released

## [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)

UAC's website contains easy-to-access information about going to university in 2008. You can:

- apply online through Apply-By-Web
- research courses and institutions
- view a list of open days in 2007
- download UAC publications
- follow links to institution websites.

## Contacting UAC



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### email and website

use our online enquiry form at [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)



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