

UAC News

for the Principal, Careers Adviser, Year 12 Adviser and Curriculum Adviser

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New EAS partnership

In 2009/2010 the Australian government introduced a number of partnership schemes. One of these was the National Partnership for Low Socio-economic Status School Communities.

For 2011 admissions, students who attend schools in the Australian Government's National Partnership for Low Socio-economic Status School Communities Program will be eligible for consideration under Educational Access Schemes (EAS).

Students at schools included in this scheme (as well as students at PSFP and CAP schools), who apply for undergraduate admission through

UAC will automatically receive EAS points under Disadvantage Code S01A, without having to submit an EAS application.

Students should submit an EAS application if they are eligible for additional disadvantages. For more information read the *UAC 2011 Educational Access Schemes Booklet* which can be downloaded from www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/eas/

For more information about the National Partnership for Low Socio-economic Status School Communities visit www.deewr.gov.au/Schooling/Programs/SmarterSchools/Pages/state.aspx

Equity Scholarships

Equity Scholarships assist financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education.

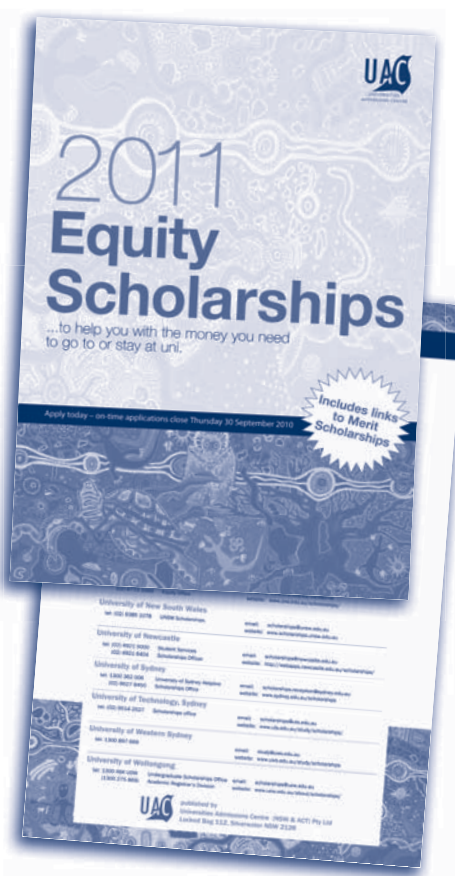
Equity Scholarships through UAC comprise:

- Institution Equity Scholarships (IES) funded by individual institutions. Some IES are funded by donation or sponsorship.
- Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) for Indigenous applicants funded by the Australian Government.

Students can only receive an Equity Scholarship offer from an institution at which they are currently enrolled and/or to which they have received an offer of admission.

Applications are now open. By submitting just one online application through UAC students will be considered for all available Equity Scholarships for which they are eligible.

The on-time closing date for applications is Thursday 30 September 2010. For more information about IES and CS, read the *UAC 2011 Equity Scholarships Booklet* which can be downloaded from www.uac.edu.au/equity/



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On-time closing

Remember that on-time applications for domestic students close on 30 September 2010. Students can continue to apply after this date although late fees apply and some courses have early closing dates – visit UAC's website or check the *UAC 2011 Guide*.

International Year 12 applicants have a little longer to submit their online application – we encourage students to apply by 29 October 2010.

Making choices

When applying, students need to put the course they would most like to do first, then the course they would next prefer, and so on. This is because during the selection process course preferences are considered one at a time in the order in which they are listed on the application.

Conditional offers

About 48 hours after International students apply to UAC they will receive a conditional offer letter, which can be used as part of their pre-visa assessment if required.

The conditional offer letter lists all the courses for which a student has applied. This letter is a conditional offer of admission only. Students need to receive an unconditional offer to be eligible to enrol in a course of study.

International students may receive one conditional offer – changing preferences will not result in a new conditional offer.

University news and updates

Australian Catholic University

New course

B Arts (Psychology) (103310)

Cancelled courses

B Business/B Arts (103309)

B Business (103703)

B Business Administration (103706)

B Business/B Business Information Systems (103707)

B Teaching/B Arts (101103)

Charles Sturt University

New courses

B Computing Studies (Business) - Albury Campus (212761)

B Computing Studies (Business) - Bathurst Campus (212767)

Southern Cross University

Professional recognition

B Nursing (335101, 335151, 335161)

The degree is now accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and provides the necessary qualification for graduates to be eligible to become a Registered Nurse in Australia.

B Midwifery (335171)

This degree is now approved by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia. The degree aims to produce graduates who possess the knowledge, competencies and clinical/community experience required to meet the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia's registration requirements to practice as midwives in Australia.

Course changes

B Clinical Sciences (335115)

Study streams have been replaced by the following majors:

- Complementary Medicine
- Naturopathic Studies (only available as a double major with Complementary Medicine)
- Human Structure and Function
- Osteopathic Studies (only available as a double major with Human Structure and Function)
- Psychology
- Human Nutrition
- Ecosystem Management (only available as a double major with Human Nutrition).

The course can also be completed without a major, providing the option to pursue a general study program from a wide range of elective units.

Professional recognition

For students interested in a career in osteopathy, five years of education and training is required (three-year B Clinical Sciences majoring in Osteopathic Studies and Human Structure

and Function; and a two-year Master of Osteopathic Medicine. In Australia, entry-level training in osteopathic medicine is accredited by the Osteopathy Board of Australia and this course was granted Conditional Provisional Accreditation in 2008. Registration in Australia gives mobility across all states and territories and New Zealand.

For students interested in naturopathy, the B Clinical Sciences provides the foundation to enter a career in industry or private enterprise as advisers. However, in order to enter private practice, further clinical studies are necessary.

The Human Nutrition major offers students the underpinning knowledge to work as nutritionists as well as furthering their studies through postgraduate nutrition/dietetics. Graduates of this major will be eligible to apply for associate membership of the Dieticians Association of Australia and membership of the Nutrition Society of Australia.

The Australian Psychological Council (APAC) accredited Psychology major offers a pathway for admission to the Postgraduate Diploma of Psychology or B Psychological Science with Honours program, for eligible graduates who completed the degree with all 10 units in the Psychology major.

These changes are subject to university approval.

Changes to areas of study

B Arts (333100, 333151)

The majors now are Cultural Studies, History, Politics and Society and Writing.

These changes are subject to university approval.

B Business (332100, 332150, 332160)

The major Real Estate and Property Services will not be offered.

B Business/B Arts (332105)

The major Real Estate and Property Services will not be offered.

B Business Administration (332107, 332155, 332165)

The study stream Real Estate and Property Services will not be offered.

University of Canberra

New course

B Social and Community Studies/B Social Science in Justice Studies (364013)

University of New England

Cancelled course

B Natural Resources/B Urban and Regional Planning (397753)

University of New South Wales

New courses

B Media (Public Relations and Advertising) (422014)

In semester 1, 2011 UNSW will launch a fourth degree in the Bachelor of Media suite with a specialisation in Public Relations and Advertising. This three-year degree includes core media studies, a specialisation in Public Relations and Advertising and a minor in Arts and Social Sciences.

Career options for graduates of this program will include public relations, advertising, media relations, and organisational communication, in corporate, political, and non-profit organisations. For more details visit www.arts.unsw.edu.au



University news and updates (continued)

B Engineering (Materials Sc & Eng)/ B Engineering (Chemical) (429012)

This is a five-year combined program designed specifically for high-ability students wishing to pursue a career in the closely-aligned, but highly-specialised, disciplines of materials engineering and chemical engineering. Students can refer to the entries for 429009 B Engineering (Materials Science and Engineering) and 425007 B Engineering (Chemical Engineering) for detailed examples of career opportunities. The Bachelor of Engineering in Materials Science and Engineering has specialised academic plans in Materials Engineering, Physical Metallurgy, Process Metallurgy, and Ceramic Engineering.

For more information visit www.materials.unsw.edu.au

B Psychological Science (429027)

This three-year program leads to an accredited degree in psychology, giving the option of a complementary major in a number of related areas. Psychology may be combined with a major in Marketing, Management or Human Resource Management from the Australian School of Business, providing an excellent background for careers in the business world. Alternatively, this degree also allows the study of majors in Philosophy, Criminology, Linguistics, or History and Philosophy of Science from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences in preparation for social science careers.

Students with a specific interest in physiological and neuroscientific aspects of psychology can combine psychology with the study of vision science, neuroscience, anatomy or physiology from the Faculty of Science to prepare them for a career in a healthcare or biomedical research setting.

Students may also focus on psychology alone and, at the end of their second year, choose courses that will provide them with the prerequisites for entry to the Honours (fourth) year in psychology. Three- or four-year programs in psychology can also be studied through the existing B Psychology, B Science (Advanced) and B Science degrees.

For more details visit www.psy.unsw.edu.au/psychologicalscience/

University of Newcastle

New majors

B Business (Central Coast – Ourimbah) (480120) B Business/B Commerce (Central Coast – Ourimbah) (480135)

The Faculty of Business and Law is offering two new majors in the B Business at the Central Coast/Ourimbah campus. Students can now complete Human Resource Management and Tourism majors, which complement the existing Management and Marketing majors available at the Ourimbah campus.

New courses

B Aboriginal Professional Studies (480015)

B Information Technology/B Business (Newcastle – Callaghan) (480637) and (Central Coast – Ourimbah) (480638)

This new combined degree program equips students with a strong foundation in both information technology and business, with specialised skills in management or international business management. Graduates will have the necessary academic and professional skills suitable for a career in information technology, with the broader skill set from business and management studies ideal for a career in management or applying new technologies in organisations. Career opportunities include business data analyst, information analyst, business analyst, project manager, IT manager, and chief information officer. Students who have already commenced studies in either the B Business or the B Information Technology can apply to transfer into this program.

Cancelled course

B Aboriginal Studies (480010) has been replaced by B Aboriginal Professional Studies (480015).

University of Western Sydney

New course

Dip. Health Science (PDHPE) (709042)

This Diploma course will be offered from 2011 at UWSCollege and is the equivalent to the first year of undergraduate university study in the related UWS degree.

It is designed to prepare students for tertiary study in the Bachelor of Health Science degree in the specialisations of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) who were not able to gain entrance to the University directly.

Accredited by the University of Western Sydney, the course will replace the current Diploma in Health Science.

For details visit www.uwscollege.edu.au

University of Wollongong

Scholarships

The University's scholarship program is designed to reward and encourage excellence. It gives students the opportunity to focus more effectively on their studies by providing some financial independence. In addition, the work-integrated program offers valuable industry experience. UOW offers a range of scholarships from academic and sporting to Equity Scholarships. The closing date for applications is Thursday 30 September 2010.

For more information visit www.uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/

Accommodation closing date

Applications for accommodation close on Tuesday 30 November. If students are considering living at UOW it is important they apply before the deadline. Visit www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation/ for more information.

Dean's Scholar programs

In addition to applying to UAC, students must also submit a Dean's Scholar application form to UOW. See the relevant course description in UAC's course search at www.uac.edu.au

Early course closing dates

B Creative Arts (and double degrees) B Digital Media B Journalism (and double degrees) B Performance

In addition to applying to UAC, applicants must also submit an online application form to UOW. This must be completed by Friday 1 October 2010. For details see the course description in UAC's course search at www.uac.edu.au

B Medical and Health Sciences Advanced

In addition to applying to UAC, applicants must also submit an online application form to the School of Health Sciences. This must be returned by Thursday 30 September 2010. See the course description in UAC's course search at www.uac.edu.au

International B Science

In addition to applying to UAC, applicants must also submit an application form to the Faculty of Science. Applications close Thursday 30 September 2010. See the course description in UAC's course search at www.uac.edu.au

For the latest updated course information visit UAC's website
www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/courses/updates/

Bonus points schemes

Universities may allocate bonus points for a number reasons, including strong performance in specific HSC subjects, living in or attending school in an area defined by the university and applying for consideration through Educational Access Schemes (EAS).

Remember that if universities allocate bonus points it does not change a student's ATAR – it changes a student's selection rank. For most Year 12 students their selection rank is their ATAR. However, if a student is allocated

bonus points, then their selection rank = their ATAR + bonus points.

Bonus points schemes are different for each university and sometimes for each course at the same university. This means that a student's selection rank can be different for each course preference they list.

You can find descriptions of institution bonus point schemes in the *UAC 2011 Guide* or on UAC's website at www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/atar/bonuses.shtml



STAT applications now online

Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) applications are now available online through UAC's website at www.uac.edu.au

STAT is a series of related tests which assess competencies considered important for success in tertiary study. It assesses the candidate's ability to understand and analyse given material and to think critically

about issues, rather than knowledge of curriculum or a specific academic subject.

STAT is compulsory for Year 12 applicants applying for courses such as Pharmacy and Veterinary Science at the University of Sydney.

Key dates for 2011 admissions

Applications

Early August 2010	applications open
Thursday 30 September 2010	on-time applications close
Friday 29 October 2010	late applications close with \$113 late fee
Tuesday 30 November 2010	late applications close with \$129 late fee
Thursday 3 February 2010	final close of applications with \$139 late fee

Year 12 results and ATARs

Wednesday 15 December 2010	2010 NSW HSC results e-released by BoS 2010 ACT Year 12 results issued by ACT Board of Senior Secondary Studies
Thursday 16 December 2010	NSW ATARs e-released by UAC
Friday 17 December 2010	ACT Year 12 ATARs available on UAC's website

Change of preferences

Mid-August 2010 – 6 January 2011	for consideration in Main Round
19 January 2011 – 26 January 2011	for consideration in Early February Round
2 February 2011 – 3 February 2011	for consideration in Final Round

Offers

Thursday 28 October 2010	October Round offers e-released
Thursday 18 November 2010	November Round offers e-released
Thursday 9 December 2010	December Round offers e-released
Wednesday 5 January 2011	Early January Round offers e-released
Wednesday 19 January 2011	Main Round offers e-released at 9pm
Wednesday 2 February 2011	Early February Round offers e-released at 9pm
Wednesday 9 February 2011	Final Round offers e-released

Processing charges

2010 domestic Year 12 applicants – \$25
Non-Year 12 applicants – \$54

UAC's website

UAC's website at www.uac.edu.au is the place to go for up-to-date details of the application process, new courses on offer and documents to view or download.

The website is also the starting point for applications – all students apply online using UAC's Apply.

Students who have already applied can use Check & Change to:

- check and change their contact details
- check and change their course preferences
- check and change their UAC PIN
- add qualifications to their application
- check correspondence, including their fee-owing letter or tax invoice
- download their Confirmation of Application
- upload specific documents required for their course preferences.

Find out about the latest news from UAC as soon as it happens through our RSS feed, or check monthly highlights in our e-newsletter.

To sign up for the e-newsletter or RSS service, visit www.uac.edu.au

What's new on Schoolink

UAC's Schoolink website now has presentations available for download including:

- Steps to applying through UAC
- All about the ATAR, for anyone wanting to know more about the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)
- Demystifying the ATAR and understanding the UAC process.

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