Flexible admissions through UAC

From 2014 admissions onwards, UAC will have a single year-long admissions period that runs from August through to July. This means that there will no longer be separate admissions periods for the start of the year and mid-year, with applicants able to apply for courses starting throughout the year with one application.

Applicants will now be asked to choose a course start date when they enter their preferences. Applicants will still be able to list up to nine course preferences. More information will be included in the UAC 2014 Guide, which will be sent to schools in mid-July.

UAC is now on Twitter

UAC has joined the twittersphere and is now tweeting at http://twitter.com/UACinfo. Students can get up-to-date information and reminders such as closing dates and offer rounds by following us as well as by liking UAC's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/universitiesadmissionscentre.

UAC also has a new YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/user/UACinfo with videos on how to apply, changing preferences and explaining the ATAR.

New institutions

UAC has three new participating institutions for 2014 admissions. They are:
- MIT Sydney,
- Australian College of Applied Psychology (ACAP), and
- Macleay College.

Campion College Australia and Canberra Institute of Technology will not be participating in 2014. Students will need to apply direct to these institutions.

ATAR enquiries

UAC’s customer service received 3,010 calls on Thursday 20 December, the day ATARs were released on UAC’s website.

UAC’s ATAR Enquiry Centre received 1,300 calls while it was open between this day and Friday 28 December. Most calls were directly about the ATAR, with the next three biggest categories being calls about PINs, bonus points and EAS.

University Entry Requirements 2016 for Year 10 students

It's time again to consider ordering copies of University Entry Requirements 2016 for Year 10 students and this year we have added some new content and changed the size, so that it's now an A4 booklet.

This booklet is a valuable tool for Year 10 students choosing their subjects for Year 11 and Year 12. It shows all the prerequisites, assumed knowledge and recommended studies for tertiary courses commencing 2016.

Each Year 12 school in NSW and the ACT will receive four complimentary copies of the booklet in early May. Extra copies can be ordered online.

To place your order log onto UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au and click on UAC Shop. Booklets cost $6.00 per copy, plus postage and handling (note that postage costs may be more than in previous years, given the larger size of the booklet). Payments can be made by cheque, PayPal, Mastercard or Visa. Orders received by 1 May will be posted the following week.

A PowerPoint presentation will be available on Schoollink on UAC’s website when the booklet is released, to help you guide your students through the publication.

Surplus copies of the UAC Guide

Surplus copies of the UAC 2013 Guide are now available.

The boxes can be collected free of charge from UAC’s distributor at Wetherill Park (2 days notice is required).

Alternatively they can be mailed to schools for $15 (including GST) per box of 10.

Call us on (02) 9752 0200 to reserve your copies and organise payment if postage is required.

School offer lists

School offer lists for the 2013 admissions period are now available through My School in the Schoollink area of UAC’s website (www.uac.edu.au/schoollink/). All schools should have already received their login details. If you haven’t received your login or have any questions, contact UAC Customer Service on (02) 9752 0200 or email schoolsfeedback@uac.edu.au.

Scaling Report is coming

The Report on the Scaling of the 2012 NSW Higher School Certificate will be available in April. The preliminary report, prepared to provide some information on the calculation of the ATAR in 2012, along with the tables is available on UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/ATAR/reports.shtml

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Medicine entry requirements

Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT)

In 2013, UMAT will be held at various locations across Australia on:

Wednesday 31 July 2013

Registrations for UMAT open in April and close on Friday 7 June 2013. Late registrations close on Friday 21 June 2013. Fees apply.

Registration must be completed online at www.umat.acer.edu.au

All enquiries concerning UMAT should be directed to the UMAT Office:

UMAT Office
ACER
Private Bag 55
Camberwell VIC 3124
tel: (03) 8508 7643
e-mail: umat@acer.edu.au
website: www.umat.acer.edu.au

University of Western Sydney

In 2013, UWS will offer both Commonwealth-supported and international places in Medicine. In their first year, students will attend the Clinical School once a week for tutorials and hands-on teaching to help them develop and practise their clinical skills. They will also have the opportunity to interact with patients in ward situations across Campbelltown, Camden and Blacktown hospitals.

Applicants will be selected based on academic merit (minimum ATAR or equivalent), UMAT results and an interview.

Local applicants and international students currently undertaking an Australian Year 12 must:

1. Register for and sit the UMAT.

   See shaded box on this page for details.

2. Submit an online registration form with the undertaking an Australian Year 12 must:

   • academic merit – a minimum ATAR or equivalent of 96.00 is required to be eligible for consideration
   • UMAT score (see shaded box on this page for further information)
   • interview – main round to be held November 2013, final round to be held early January 2014 (mid/late January 2014 for interstate applicants). Approximately 500 applicants will be interviewed.

   In the selection of students for entry, these three criteria will be equally weighted. Different criteria exist for rural and Indigenous entry schemes.

   Applicants must:

1. Register for and sit the UMAT.

   See shaded box on this page for details.

2. Submit an application by 30 September 2013 at www.med.unsw.edu.au

3. Submit a UAC application by 27 September 2013 and add code 428000 as a preference.

The UNSW Medicine Application includes questions on why applicants want to study medicine at UNSW, details of their relevant personal qualities and skills, their non-academic interests and activities, and a brief description of their life experience. The UNSW Medicine Application will be used to set the context of the applicant’s interview but is not used in identifying applicants for interview. ATAR (predicted or actual) and UMAT scores are used to identify applicants for interview.

For further information, visit the faculty’s website at www.med.unsw.edu.au

University of Newcastle/University of New England

The Bachelor of Medicine – Joint Medical Program (JMP) is offered jointly by the University of Newcastle and the University of New England. There is a common curriculum for this program at both institutions. Applicants select the site at which they would prefer to complete the program when they submit their JMP direct online application.

The selection of applicants for admission to the JMP is based on:

• academic merit – a minimum ATAR of 94.30 is required for a candidate applying on the basis of secondary results to be eligible for consideration. Students attending a rural/remote high school will be able to satisfy the minimum requirement with an ATAR of 91.40. Candidates applying on the basis of tertiary results must have achieved results averaging at close to credit level
• performance in UMAT – an applicant’s performance in UMAT will determine if they are invited for interview/personal qualities assessment
• performance in a structured (multi-mini) interview conducted on set dates in November/December 2013
• performance in an online personal qualities assessment – be undertaken when the candidate attends their interview.

Details can be found at www.newcastle.edu.au/jmp or www.une.edu.au/jmp

Applicants must:

1. Register for and sit the UMAT.

   See shaded box on this page for details.

2. Apply directly to the JMP.

   JMP direct university application forms will be available in August 2013 at either www.newcastle.edu.au/jmp or www.une.edu.au/jmp

Applications close 27 September 2013.

Late applications will not be considered.

For further information contact either: UOA Enquiries

The University of Newcastle
Callaghan NSW 2308
Tel: 02 4921 5000
Enquire online: www.newcastle.edu.au/askuon
Web: www.newcastle.edu.au/jmp

or

School of Rural Medicine
University of New England
Armidale NSW 2350
Tel: (02) 6773 3798 fax: (02) 6773 2388
email: ruralmed@une.edu.au

3. Submit a UAC application by 27 September 2013 and add code 780000 as a preference by 29 November 2013.

Students who can demonstrate a significant rural/remote background may be eligible to apply under the B Medicine – JMP Rural/Remote Admissions Scheme (RRAS). Visit www.newcastle.edu.au/joint-medical-program/how-to-apply/rural-remote-admissions-scheme.html

Indigenous students may apply for admission through the B Medicine – JMP Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admissions Scheme. Applicants must submit a UAC application by 31 October 2013 including code 780000 as a preference. For more information, call The Wollotuka Institute, University of Newcastle on (02) 4921 8705.

University of Sydney Combined Medicine Degrees

Students combine an approved undergraduate degree with the University’s four-year graduate-entry Medical Program. Combined degrees are:

• Music–Medicine
• Science (Advanced)–Medicine or Medical Science–Medicine
• Commerce–Medicine or Economics–Medicine

For details, visit http://sydney.edu.au/medicine/futurestudent/combineddegree/index.php

Up to 30 places will be offered to 2013 Year 12 students for the combined medicine degrees and most places are awarded in the combined Science (Advanced)–Medicine or Medical Science–Medicine programs. For the combined Science (Advanced)–Medicine or Medical Science–Medicine program up to five places are available to 2013 Year 12 applicants who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

Selection criteria include:

• academic merit – an ATAR or equivalent of 99.95 is anticipated for 2014 entry
• interview – applicants will be shortlisted based on theirATAR. Interviews are held in late December 2013 for NSW applicants and early January 2014 for interstate applicants.

Applicants must:

1. Submit a UAC application by 27 September 2013.
2. Add Music-Medicine to their UAC course preferences by 27 September 2013 to allow for auditions/interviews to be scheduled.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students wishing to be considered for entry to the Science (Advanced)–Medicine or Medical Science–Medicine program must apply through UAC. A separate application direct to the University through the Cadigal program is also required. Forms are available at http://sydney.edu.au/cadigal.

Dentistry entry requirements

Charles Sturt University

Applicants must apply through UAC and complete a supplementary application form demonstrating their commitment to dentistry and an understanding of the rural health environment. Applicants are selected for interview based on their supplementary application.

The closing date for applications is 27 September 2013 and late applications will not be considered. The questionnaire will be available from CSU’s website in August 2013.

Oral Health entry requirements

University of Sydney

B Oral Health applicants must apply through UAC and complete a Personal Qualities Assessment (PQA) test on Monday 11 November 2013 and attend an interview on Tuesday 3 or Wednesday 4 December 2013. Applicants must register for the PQA by 25 October 2013. For further information, visit http://sydney.edu.au/dentistry/student/boh.php.

Pharmacy entry requirements

Charles Sturt University

In addition to applying through UAC, applicants must complete a supplementary application form demonstrating their commitment to pharmacy and an understanding of the rural health environment. Applicants are selected for an interview based on their completed supplementary application form.

The closing date for applications is 27 September 2013 and late applications will not be considered. The questionnaire will be available from CSU’s website in August 2013 and can be uploaded with the UAC application.

Optometry entry requirements

University of New South Wales

There will be approximately 75 places available for entry to Optometry/Science in 2014. Selection will be based on:

- performance in UMAT
- academic performance (Year 12 and/or tertiary studies).

Applicants must:

1. Register for and sit the UMAT.
2. Submit a UAC application and add code 429750 as a preference.

Alternative entry for 2015

UNSW will provide an alternative entry pathway for admission to Optometry/Science for applicants who have not undertaken postsecondary studies and who are not eligible for entry in 2014. Applicants are advised to apply for B Science (Advanced Science) 429350 for 2014 and enrol in the Vision Science plan.

Selection for alternative entry to Year 2 of Optometry/Science in 2015 will be based on:

- performance in UMAT
- performance in Year 12 (ATAR or equivalent of at least 90.00)
- performance in required first year subjects completed while enrolled in Advanced Science at the University of New South Wales.

During 2014, students who are enrolled in the prescribed Year 1 Vision Science plan will be invited to apply directly to UNSW for a transfer place for 2015 entry. For further information, visit www.optom.unsw.edu.au.

Veterinary entry requirements

Charles Sturt University

In addition to applying through UAC, applicants must complete a supplementary application form demonstrating their commitment to veterinary science and practice. Applicants are selected for an interview based on their completed supplementary application form.

The closing date for applications is 27 September 2013 and late applications will not be considered. The questionnaire will be available from CSU’s website in August 2013.

University of Sydney

Veterinary Biology/Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

Year 12 applicants will be considered for selection based on their ATAR or equivalent, their result in the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) Multiple Choice and their commitment to veterinary science as detailed on a prescribed form. Sunday 1 December 2013 is the final date for sitting STAT for entry to Veterinary Biology/Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 2014.

UAC key dates for 2014 admissions

| Applications                  |  
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Wednesday 7 August 2013       | applications open Year 12 processing charge $26* |
| Friday 27 September 2013      | on-time applications close |
| Thursday 30 January 2014      | final close of applications with late fee $150* |

HSC and ATARs

Tuesday 17 December 2013 ACT Year 12 results released by ACT Board of Senior Secondary Studies

Wednesday 18 December 2013 NSW HSC results released by Board of Studies NSW

Thursday 19 December 2013 ATARs released by UAC at www.uac.edu.au

Change of preferences

Saturday 4 January 2014 for consideration in Main Round

16 January–23 January 2014 for consideration in Late Round

30 January–31 January 2014 for consideration in Final Round

Offers

There are a number of new offer rounds for 2014 admissions. The major ones for Year 12 students are listed here. Check the UAC 2014 Guide for details of all offer rounds.

Friday 3 January 2014 Early January Round offers released

Thursday 16 January 2014 Main Round offers released at 9pm

Thursday 30 January 2014 Late Round offers released at 9pm

* Fees and charges for 2014 admissions are yet to be confirmed

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9 Lower North Shore Careers Expo

May
2 Southern Districts University Info Day
7 Forbes Career Market
8 Western Plains Tertiary Info Day
9 FACTS Day Bathurst
14-15 Illawarra Careers Expo
16-17 Northern Beaches Careers Day
21 Moree Careers Day
22 Tamworth Careers Market
23 Hunter Valley Career Expo
24 Newcastle Careers Expo
30 May-2 June The Sydney Morning Herald HSC and Careers Expo 2013

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30 May-2 June The Sydney Morning Herald HSC and Careers Expo 2013

See the May issue of UAC News for more info about metropolitan and regional events in June, July and August.

Open Days for 2013

APM College of Business and Communication
North Sydney 7 May 27 August 10 December

Australian Catholic University
Canberra campus 31 August
North Sydney campus 7 September
Strathfield campus 7 September

Australian College of Applied Psychology (ACAP)
For information call 1800 261 320

Australian Maritime College
Beauty Point campus 25 August
Newnicham campus 25 August
Campus tours can be arranged by appointment. For further information, call (03) 6324 9646

Australian National University
For campus tours call 1800 620 032 or email campus.tours@anu.edu.au

Billy Blue College of Design
Sydney campus 20 June 3 October

CQUniversity
Sydney campus 8 August
For campus tours or other information, call 13 QUni (13 27 86)

Charles Sturt University
For campus tours/appointments and course information, call 1800 DEGREE (1800 334 733) or visit www.scu.edu.au/campustour

Griffith University
Gold Coast 11 August
International College of Management, Sydney
Manly campus 18 August
Jansen Newman Institute
Sydney Campus 27 April
For information, call 1800 777 116 or visit www.jni.edu.au

La Trobe University
Albury-Wodonga campus 1 September
Mildura campus 14 September

Macleay College
17 August

Macquarie University
14 September

MIT, Sydney
For information call (02) 8267 1400

Southern Cross University
For personalised campus tours and special events, call 1800 626 481 or (02) 6620 3975

University of Canberra
31 August

University of New England
3 May
For personalised campus tours, call 1800 818 865

University of New South Wales
Open Day Australian Defence Force Academy, Canberra 7 September

University of Newcastle
Central Coast campus (Ourimbah) 17 August
Newcastle campus (Callaghan) 24 August
Port Macquarie campus 29 August

University of Sydney
31 August

University of Technology, Sydney
UTS Information Day, Broadway campus 31 August
UTS Open Day, Kuring-gai campus 7 September

University of Western Sydney
Parramatta campus 1 September

University of Wollongong
For personalised campus tours and special events, call 1300 367 869

William Blue College of Hospitality Management
North Sydney 30 April 17 August 10 December
For information, call 1300 851 237 or visit www.williamblue.edu.au

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