Applying for tertiary study in 2015–16

Applications for tertiary study in 2015–16 will open on Wednesday 5 August. Students will receive their UAC PIN in the mail in early August. They will need their Year 12 student number (issued by BOSTES) and their UAC PIN to apply.

Once they’ve put in their contact details they’ll receive their UAC Application Number. They’ll need this number and their PIN to make any changes to their application and check their ATAR and offers. Remind your students to keep these numbers in a safe place and not share them with anyone.

The processing charge for on-time applications this year is $32 for Year 12 applicants and $64 for non-Year 12 applicants. Remind your students to apply by the on-time closing date of Wednesday 30 September 2015. After that date, higher processing charges apply.

Turn to the back page of this newsletter for a full list of key UAC dates for 2015–16 admissions.

UAC Guide 2015–16

The UAC Guide 2015–16, listing more than 1,900 courses on offer from 47 institutions is the largest yet and should have already arrived at NSW and ACT high schools and newsagents.

More than 115,000 copies of the Guide were printed locally on PEFC Certified Paper.

The Guide has detailed course descriptions for every course as well as general information on admission requirements, choosing courses, applying, offers and enrolment, course costs and financial assistance and the ATAR.

This information is also available on UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate and students are encouraged to check for course updates and additions before applying.

The cover artwork for this year’s Guide has once again been selected from ARTEXPRESS. It features a photomedia work by Stephanie Gwenda Marie Blair from Abbotsleigh called Floating Worlds.

UAC International 2015–16

The UAC International 2015–16 booklet is for students who will complete an Australian Year 12 qualification in Australia or overseas, an International Baccalaureate (IB), or a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3 in 2015.

The booklet lists international fee-paying courses offered through UAC. There are more than 1,300 courses available from 26 institutions. The processing charge for International applicants is $71.

The booklet will be delivered to schools in NSW in August and will contain all the information students need to apply. Applications open on Wednesday 5 August.

Detailed course descriptions are available on UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au/international.

The cover artwork for this booklet has also been selected from ARTEXPRESS. It features a work by Benjamin Skinner from Rouse Hill Anglican College called Empirical Spherical Entropy.

UAC resources

UAC has many resources to support students thinking about tertiary study. Our print publications are updated every year and include All about UAC for Year 11 and 12 students; an overview of preparing, applying and managing the university application process, University Entry Requirements 2018 for Year 10 students with information, on choosing Year 12 subjects and thinking about university, now with worksheets, as well as our All About UAC series; All About UAC for Student Advisers, All About UAC for Parents and Frequently Asked Questions About the ATAR.

UAC’s Community Liaison team have been attending many expos and information sessions around the state and handing out printed copies of these publications. For information on the events they’re attending visit www.uac.edu.au/schoollink/events.shtml. Copies can also be downloaded from UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au/publications/undergraduate.

UAC also has a selection of videos at www.uac.edu.au/media-hub/videos.shtml. They include an overview of what UAC does, guides to applying and changing your course preferences, and information about the ATAR.

We encourage you and your students to follow us on social media via Facebook (www.facebook.com/universitiesadmissionscentre) or Twitter (https://twitter.com/UACinfo) to receive important reminders and updates.
Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS)

Student applications for SRS open on Wednesday 5 August and close on Wednesday 30 September. SRS is a program enabling institutions to make early offers to students using criteria other than or in addition to the ATAR, such as school recommendations, senior secondary studies and personal awards and achievements.

The Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS) 2015 booklet for Year 12 Students will be delivered to schools at the end of July/early August and is available to download at www.uac.edu.au/srs.

If your school wishes to participate in this scheme it will need to be registered. Information is available at www.uac.edu.au/srs/schools including fact sheets and videos.

Educational Access Schemes (EAS)

EAS applications open on Wednesday 5 August. They are designed to help students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage gain admission to university through allocating bonus points or setting aside places.

The Educational Access Schemes (EAS) 2015–16 booklet, including the application form, will be delivered to schools at the end of July/early August. The booklet, the form and the Supplementary application form can be downloaded from UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au/eas.

Students need to submit their EAS application by Friday 30 November to receive their EAS eligibility letter in time to change their preferences for the Main Round. However, EAS applications can be submitted until Wednesday 6 January 2016 for consideration in the Main Round.

Equity Scholarships

Equity Scholarships help financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education. Students apply online for an Equity Scholarship through UAC.

Applications open Wednesday 5 August. The Equity Scholarships 2015–16 booklet will be delivered to schools at the end of July/early August. It can also be downloaded from UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au/equity.

Applications and all supporting documentation must be received at UAC by Wednesday 6 January 2016 to be considered for the Main Round.

Student preference and offers on Schoolink

Your school’s application and offer lists will be available progressively on Schoolink on UAC’s website. Check www.uac.edu.au/schoolink for a schedule of dates when you can check applications and offers for students from your school.

UAC and applicant privacy

Many parents call us regarding their son or daughter’s application, but unless they have been named on the application as an agent, we are unable to discuss details of the application with them due to privacy restrictions.

To nominate an authorised agent, students need to complete the appropriate section in their application, or submit a letter of authority to UAC. This authorisation only applies to the UAC application process; it does not authorise someone to accept an offer on the student’s behalf. See UAC’s website for further information.

Updating contact details

UAC needs to have the correct contact details for applicants so that we can provide important information about theirATAR and application without any delays.

Remind your students to keep their contact details up-to-date. If details change after they have applied, all they need to do is go to Check & Change on UAC’s website at www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/check-change to update them.

STAT and UMAT updates

The University of Sydney no longer requires applicants to sit STAT for the B Veterinary Biology/Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. Selection will now be based on a student’s ATAR or equivalent and the submission of a Commitment Statement.

While STAT is generally not used for Year 12 students, STAT is used by many institutions as part of their admissions procedure for some courses and certain categories of applicants. STAT candidates must register through UAC. Registrations for candidates wishing to study in 2016 open on Wednesday 5 August. For more information, visit www.uac.edu.au/stat.

Students who sit STAT and UMAT (the Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test) need to include their candidate number in their UAC application.

Reminder about UAC PINs

NSW HSC and ACT Year 12 students will be issued with a four-digit UAC PIN which they will receive in the mail in early August. They will need it to apply, so remind them to keep it in a secure place.

UAC receives many calls about UAC PINs that don’t work. Remind students to check they are using their UAC PIN, and not their HSC PIN, issued by BOSTES, before they contact us.

Tax file numbers

Students who plan to pay their student contributions through the HECS-HELP scheme must have a tax file number (TFN). Since the printing of the Guide the Secondary Schools Tax File Number Program has been discontinued.

Students now apply online through the Australian Taxation Office website at www.ato.gov.au/individuals/tax-file-number/apply-for-a-tfn.
Australian Catholic University

New courses
101119 – B Teaching/B Exercise Science – Canberra
105520 – B Physical Activity & Health Science – Strathfield
107009 – B Biomedical Science/B Applied Public Health – North Sydney
107011 – B Biomedical Science/B Business Administration – North Sydney
107010 – B Biomedical Science/B Laws – North Sydney

Additional campus offering
107012 – B Biomedical Science will now be offered at Canberra

Cancelled courses
103309 – B Arts and Economics
103704 – B Human Resource Management
103705 – B Marketing

Charles Sturt University

Cancelled course
211027 – B Social Science (Psychology)/B Business (Human Resources Management)

Griffith University

Cancelled course
283336 – B Exercise Science/Grad Dip Exercise Science

La Trobe University

New course
187049 – B Animal and Veterinary Bioscience
This degree offers a strong scientific foundation to work with both domesticated and captive wild animals. Studies will go beyond animal health to include ecology, genetics, biotechnology and animal physiology. Students will complete hands-on studies in animal and agricultural science, microbiology, zoology and metabolic biochemistry. This knowledge provides the basis for further research in the field and is a pathway to postgraduate study in veterinary science.

Macquarie University

General news
Global Leadership Entry Program
Macquarie’s Global Leadership Entry Program allows Year 12 students to join the Macquarie community before they finish high school.

Macquarie is looking for students that embody Macquarie’s values, who are leaders in their community, are actively involved in extracurricular activities and who succeed not just on paper but also in life. Macquarie is looking for students that embody Macquarie’s values, who are leaders in their community, are actively involved in extracurricular activities and who succeed not just on paper but also in life.

学生们完成他们的高中的研究。您可以在www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/查询最新信息。

Campus tours – 25 September and 19 November
Campus tours are open to everyone who would like to hear more about Macquarie. Visit the wonderful campus, meet Student Advisers and have your questions answered.

Southern Cross University

New courses
334109 – B Engineering (Honours) in Mechanical Engineering – Lismore campus
This degree equips students with the relevant skills and knowledge to provide a range of professional mechanical engineering services in regional, national and international environments.

University of New England

New course
335165 – B Biomedical Science – Gold Coast campus
This degree provides a scientific understanding of the structure and function of the human body and the interrelationships between health and disease.

335154 – B Sport and Exercise Science – new at Coffs Harbour campus (also offered at Lismore and Gold Coast)
This degree gives students the required knowledge, skills and attitudes to practise as professionals in the field of exercise and sports science.

335065 – B Pedorthics – Gold Coast campus
Pedorthics is about keeping people mobile and getting the best performance from their feet, footwear or orthoses. The Bachelor of Pedorthics provides the knowledge and skills required for graduates to become a professional pedorthist.

334014 – Dip Science – Lismore campus
This degree is a one-year (full-time or part-time equivalent) course that equips students with foundational knowledge and skills in areas including environmental, health and physical sciences such as engineering.

University of Newcastle

New courses
483060 – B Innovation and Entrepreneurship/B Business*
483070 – B Innovation and entrepreneurship/B Business*
*Subject to final approval

Cancelled course
480308 – B Innovation and Entrepreneurship/B Engineering (Hons) (Mechanical)

Course changes
483350 – B Medical Radiation Science (Honours) (Diagnostic Radiography)*
483360 – B Medical Radiation Science (Honours) (Nuclear Medicine)*
483370 – B Medical Radiation Science (Honours) (Radiation Therapy)*
These three programs are all now 4 years duration due to a recent program review. The change in duration reflects changing industry needs and ensures University of Newcastle students are well received in the graduate market.

*Subject to final approval

UNSW Australia

Actuarial Studies
Want to know more about Actuarial Studies, your degree options and the career opportunities? UNSW Australia Business School invites students and your parents to an information evening:
Wednesday 16 September, 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Find out more and register to attend at www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/actuarial-studies-studentparent-information-evening.

Check UAC’s website for the latest information, including course updates and new or cancelled courses – www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/course-search.
Key dates for 2015–16 admissions

Applications
Wednesday 5 August 2015
Applications open
Year 12 processing charge $32
International students $71
Wednesday 30 September 2015
On-time applications close
Friday 30 October 2015
Applications close with higher charge
Monday 30 November 2015
Applications close with higher charge
Monday 15 February 2016
Applications close for Semester 1 courses

HSC and ATARs
Wednesday 16 December 2015
NSW HSC results released by BOSTES
Tuesday 15 December 2015
ACT Year 12 results released by ACT BSSS
Thursday 17 December 2015
ATARs released by UAC at www.uac.edu.au

Change of preferences
Wednesday 6 January 2016
For consideration in Main Round
20–27 January 2016
For consideration in February Round 1
2–6 February 2016
For consideration in February Round 2

Offers
There are a number of offer rounds for 2016 admissions. The major ones for Year 12 students are listed here. Check the UAC Guide 2015–16 or UAC’s website for details of all offer rounds.

Thursday 3 December 2015
December Round offers released at 7.30am (this is when most SRS offers are made)

Tuesday 5 January 2016
January Round 1 offers released at 7.30am

Wednesday 20 January 2016
Main Round offers released at 6pm

Tuesday 2 February 2016
February Round 1 offers released at 6pm

Tuesday 9 February 2016
February Round 2 offers released at 7.30am

Open days in 2015

APM College of Business and Communication
The Rocks campus  3 May, 1 August 2015

Australasian College of Natural Therapies
Pymont campus  3 May, 1 August 2015

Australian Catholic University
Canberra campus  29 August 2015
North Sydney campus  5 September 2015
Strathfield campus  12 September 2015

Australian College of Applied Psychology
Information nights  14 July, 12 August, 11 November 2015
For more information, visit www.acap.edu.au

Australian Maritime College
Beauty Point campus  30 August 2015
Newhaven campus  30 August 2015
Campus tours can be arranged by appointment year round. Visit www.amc.edu.au/visit-amc

Australian National College of Beauty
Pymont campus  1 August 2015

Australian National University
29 August 2015
For campus tours, visit http://anu.edu.au/study/events/campus-tours

Billy Blue College of Design
Ultimo campus  3 May, 1 August 2015

CATC Design School
Ultimo campus  1 August 2015

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

CQUUniversity
Sydney campus  13 August 2015
Virtual Open Day (online only)  10 September 2015
For more information, visit www.cqu.edu.au/events

Griffith University
Gold Coast campus  26 July 2015

International College of Management, Sydney
Manly campus  16 August 2015

Jansen Newman Institute
Pymont campus  3 May, 1 August 2015

La Trobe University
Albury–Wodonga campus  28 August 2015
Mildura campus  19 August 2015
Sydney campus  8 August 2015
For other campuses visit www.latrobe.edu.au/openday

Macleay College
Surry Hills campus  22 August 2015, 16 January 2016
For a personalised campus tour, call 1300 939 888

Macquarie University
12 September 2015

MIT Sydney
For campus tours/appointments and course information, call (02) 8267 1400 or visit mit.edu.au

National Art School
29 August 2015

SAE Creative Media Institute
Sydney and Byron Bay campuses  8 August 2015
For up-to-date information, visit http://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events or freecall 1800 SAE EDU (1800 723 338)

SIBT
29 August 2015

Southern Cross University
Info days and ‘virtual’ info sessions
Coffs Harbour campus  7 December 2015
Lismore campus  9 December 2015
Gold Coast campus  11 December 2015
For more information visit, www.scu.edu.au/scuinfodays
The Hotel School Sydney  12 September 2015
For more information visit, hotelschool.scu.edu.au/about/infodays

University of Canberra  29 August 2015

University of New England  1 May 2015
For personalised tours, call 1800 818 865 or visit www.une.edu.au/campustours

University of Newcastle
Newcastle campus (Callaghan)  22 August 2015
Central Coast campus (Ourimbah)  15 August 2015
Port Macquarie campus  6 August 2015

University of Sydney  29 August 2015

University of Technology Sydney
City and Kuring-gai campuses  29 August 2015

University of Western Sydney
Parramatta campus  30 August 2015
UWS Campus Experience tours are held throughout the year. To register, visit www.uws.edu.au/campusexperience or call 1300 897 669

University of Wollongong
Wollongong campus  15 August 2015
Sydney CBD campus  29 August 2015

UNSW Australia
Kensington campus  5 September 2015
UNSW Canberra at ADFA  29 August 2015

William Blue College of Hospitality Management
The Rocks campus  3 May, 1 August 2015