

## ALL CAMPUSES

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Charles Sturt University (CSU) is a national university with an international reputation for excellence. As a university for the professions, CSU prides itself on providing practical, hands-on courses developed in collaboration with industry representatives. Specialised teaching facilities, such as industry-standard radio and television studios, podiatry and nutrition clinics, dental/oral health clinics, audiometry and exercise physiology laboratories, and the professional placement opportunities available in all courses, result in highly sought-after employment-ready graduates.

With a network of campuses in five major regional centres (Albury-Wodonga, Bathurst, Dubbo, Orange and Wagga Wagga), Canberra and Parramatta, and around 34,000 students, CSU is the largest inland university in Australia. A lower cost of living, clean air, an increased sense of safety, and a wide range of services and activities are just some of the advantages of living in our cities.

On campus, student accommodation is comfortable and affordable, and the lifestyle is relaxed and friendly. Students experience small class sizes, easy access to staff and support services, and excellent facilities such as computer centres, networked libraries and state-of-the-art laboratories.

## OPEN DAYS

### Open Day Every Day

At CSU, it's open day every day. Current students will take you, your family and friends on a personalised tour of the campus at a time you choose, any working day of the year. You can also meet staff who can advise you on career pathways and entry schemes. To book your tour call 1800 334 733 or online at [www.csu.edu.au/campustour](http://www.csu.edu.au/campustour). Three days' notice is required.

### Open Day in Sydney

The School of Communication and Creative Industries will showcase its courses for prospective students and careers advisers at 'iDay' on Saturday 27 August 2011 at the Australian National Maritime Museum, Darling Harbour, Sydney. For details visit [www.csu.edu.au/special/iday](http://www.csu.edu.au/special/iday)



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### Course advisory day in Sydney

A course advisory day will be held in Sydney on Wednesday 4 January 2012. For details call 1800 334 733.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Orientation/Enrolment Week begins	Monday 20 February 2012
Session 1 begins	Monday 27 February 2012

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Charles Sturt University will admit you to an undergraduate course, subject to a place being available, if it believes you have a reasonable prospect of completing the course. In determining your prospects of success in the course, CSU will consider your previous studies and/or other attainments and experience.

Some courses have additional selection criteria. Refer to individual course descriptions.

## 1 Australian secondary studies

### 2011 Australian Year 12 students

Admission is normally based on your ATAR or equivalent. You may also be admitted on the basis of a strong performance in subjects that are relevant to the course you wish to study. Assumed knowledge and recommended studies subjects are listed in the course entries.

No prerequisite subjects are specified for admission. Some courses however, indicate assumed knowledge subjects that provide the level of knowledge necessary for successful completion of first-year university subjects. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have studied the appropriate subjects to undertake the course you choose.

### Offers made to applicants who have an ATAR below the published cut-off

CSU has a number of alternative pathways for admission, which may allow 2011 Year 12 applicants to receive an offer to a course even though they have an ATAR below the published cut-off.

They include:

- Educational Access Scheme (EAS)
- Special consideration for elite athletes or performers
- Darrambal Skills Assessment Program
- Principal's Report Entry Program (PREP)
- Regional Bonus Scheme (RBS)
- Strong performance in Year 12 subjects relevant to the course of study (read 'Assumed knowledge') – applies to some courses only.

For more information contact CSU on 1800 334 733 or visit [www.csu.edu.au](http://www.csu.edu.au)

## Previous Australian Year 12

CSU will consider admission on the basis of previous Australian Year 12 studies.

## Other studies

CSU will consider overseas equivalents of the NSW HSC and the International Baccalaureate Diploma.

## 2 Australian tertiary studies

Studies such as those listed below are considered indicators that you can complete a course at the University. Please note that some courses may give different weightings to these indicators:

- a course completed or part-completed at a university, college of advanced education, or other accredited tertiary institution
- an approved course completed or part-completed at a TAFE college or other accredited post-secondary institution, including the Tertiary Preparation Certificate (TPC)
- approved foundation studies or bridging courses
- subjects studied through the CSU Single Subject Study Program or at another university.

## 3 Overseas qualifications

Applicants with overseas qualifications must contact CSU to discuss eligibility for admission before submitting an application to UAC. Refer to table 7 in Part 1 for information on overseas secondary qualifications.

If you hold overseas secondary or tertiary qualifications from countries where English is not the standard language of instruction, you must provide evidence of English language proficiency – refer to table 5 in Part 1.

## 4 Alternative entry

CSU will consider the following attainment and experience in determining your prospects for success:

- voluntary or paid work experience
- performance in exams conducted by professional bodies
- nursing qualifications gained by hospital-based training
- completion of the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) or uniTEST.

You must provide verified documentation with your application to UAC – for details read the instructions carefully when you apply. For information on STAT read section 9 in Part 1. For advice on whether you should sit STAT, contact a Prospective Student Adviser.

### Vocational experience

The University places considerable importance on vocational experience in determining the likelihood of your success in a course. For some courses your admission rank will automatically be increased by up to four points if previous vocational experience is closely related to the course you wish to study.

### Regional Bonus Scheme (RBS)\*

If you are a current Year 12 student and will complete the HSC/VCE at a school or TAFE college in the University's region, or a non-Year 12 applicant who resides in the University's region, your admissions rank will automatically be increased by five points under the RBS.

### Principal's Report Entry Program (PREP)\*

The aim of the PREP scheme is to attract current school leavers from high schools in the region served by the University who, during their senior high school years, have been identified by their school principal as consistent achievers with the potential to succeed at university study. 2011 Year 12 students may be guaranteed an offer of a place in full-time on-campus courses before the release of their ATAR. Application forms are available from your secondary school principal.

Make applications through this scheme directly to CSU and not UAC. For further information call 1800 334 733.

\* *The region served by the RBS is all of regional Australia, excluding the Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth metropolitan areas, but including Darwin and Hobart. The region served by PREP is all of regional NSW and Victoria, excluding the Sydney and Melbourne metropolitan areas.*

## EDUCATIONAL ACCESS SCHEMES

CSU has Educational Access Schemes (EAS) for people who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage and whose educational performance has been affected by circumstances beyond their control during Years 11 and/or 12 or equivalent. CSU participates in both EAS through UAC and the Special Consideration for Admission Scheme (SCA) direct through CSU.

Eligibility for either scheme does not guarantee admission but does allow successful applicants with an ATAR (or equivalent) below the course cut-off to compete for a place.

For more information on EAS, read section 3.5 in Part 1.

**The main closing date for EAS applications is Friday 30 September 2011.** The final closing date for EAS and SCA applications is Thursday 5 January 2012.

For further information about the direct SCA scheme and for application forms and guidelines visit [www.csu.edu.au/oncampus/getting-to-uni/csu-access-schemes](http://www.csu.edu.au/oncampus/getting-to-uni/csu-access-schemes)

## EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS

CSU offers two types of Equity Scholarships: CSU Equity Scholarship and Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships, which are open to all eligible applicants applying to or enrolled at CSU.

All CSU Equity Scholarship and Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarship applications are processed centrally through UAC.

Read section 7.5 in Part 1 for more information on Equity Scholarships.

Read section 7.6 in Part 1 for more information on Commonwealth Scholarships available through Centrelink.

For other CSU scholarships read 'Financial assistance' on page 144.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

### Elite athletes and performers

If you are an elite athlete or performer at a national level, whose training and competitive commitments have affected your preparation for the HSC, you may be eligible for special consideration. You will need to apply direct to CSU. For an application form and guidelines visit [www.csu.edu.au/oncampus/getting-to-uni/csu-access-schemes](http://www.csu.edu.au/oncampus/getting-to-uni/csu-access-schemes). For more information call the Student Equity Officer on 1800 334 733 or email [equity.officer@csu.edu.au](mailto:equity.officer@csu.edu.au)

## ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AUSTRALIANS

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders may be admitted under the Darrambal Skills Assessment Program. Admission is based on a three-day (maximum) assessment of the individual's academic and personal merit. Darrambal is run in various places and at different times of the year depending largely on demand. Darrambal will consider any educational disadvantage. To participate in the Darrambal program call CSU on 1800 611 248.

## INTERNATIONAL FEE-PAYING APPLICANTS

Some international fee-paying applicants apply through UAC International; others apply direct to CSU. Read sections 1.3 and 1.4 in Part 1 for more information on how to apply.

## COURSES AVAILABLE BY DIRECT APPLICATION

Applications for part-time on-campus courses are made directly to the University, not UAC. Applications close Monday 20 February 2012. For more details visit [www.csu.edu.au](http://www.csu.edu.au)

### Late applications

The University will consider late direct applications for full-time study after the UAC final closing date if places are available after on-time applications have been assessed. If you wish to apply directly to CSU, you must do this by completing the CSU Application for Admission form, not through UAC.

You should also call CSU on 1800 334 733 for advice on your prospects of receiving an offer before submitting your application.

## DISTANCE EDUCATION

CSU also offers courses by distance education study. You must apply direct to CSU for admission to these courses, not through UAC. For details visit [www.csu.edu.au](http://www.csu.edu.au)

Refer to table 3 in Part 1 for a list of undergraduate distance education courses and how to obtain information and an application form. On-time applications close 31 October 2011.

## ENROLMENT

### Acceptance of offer

Acceptance and enrolment procedures are provided to successful applicants when they receive an offer of a place in a course. Because on-campus accommodation is limited, your online application for accommodation should be made in the days immediately after receipt of an offer.

## Advanced standing/academic credit

If you believe you qualify for credit towards your proposed course, talk to the co-ordinator of the course for advice. Applications for credit are considered during Orientation Week.

## Deferment of offer

Refer to table 6 in Part 1.

## Fees and charges

All students must pay student contributions for a Commonwealth-supported place (CSP); read section 7 in Part 1.

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

### Youth and student allowance

For information about Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY, read section 7 in Part 1.

### Loans

CSU administers a loan scheme to provide short-term financial assistance to enable students to continue their studies. Loans are available to Commonwealth-supported place students who are currently enrolled at the University. Students also need to be Australian citizens or have permanent residence status and have a satisfactory academic record and the financial capacity to repay a loan. For information visit [www.csu.edu.au/courses/fees-and-costs/help-with-costs/loans](http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/fees-and-costs/help-with-costs/loans)

### Scholarships

The Charles Sturt Foundation administers an extensive scholarship program with scholarships ranging in value from \$1,000 to \$6,000 for one year, to \$18,000 over the duration of a three-year course.

Selection criteria include academic performance, motivation and commitment to school and/or community life. Scholarship applications for students entering their first year generally close mid-February, so you are advised to make a scholarship application as soon as you make a decision on university study.

CSU also offers other merit-based scholarships for commencing undergraduate students, such as CSU Excellence Scholarship, CSU Science Scholarship, CSU Honours Scholarship, CSU University 'Pathway and Partnership' Scholarship, CSU 'TAFE to University' Scholarship and CSU Honours SCF (HECS) Exempt Award.

For more information call 1800 334 733 or visit [www.csu.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.csu.edu.au/scholarships). Read 'Undergraduate and Postgraduate Scholarships' at the above website for further information on other scholarships. These merit based scholarships have varied application deadlines – usually before the end of 2011.

Read Equity Scholarships on page 143 for information on other scholarships.

For more information on Equity Grants and their financial assistance options visit [www.csu.edu.au/courses/fees-and-costs/help-with-costs](http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/fees-and-costs/help-with-costs)

## ACCOMMODATION

CSU has University-managed accommodation at campuses in Albury-Wodonga, Bathurst, Dubbo, Orange and Wagga Wagga. Students may choose to live in either full board, semi-catered or self-catered accommodation at Bathurst and Wagga Wagga. Self-catered only accommodation is available at the other campuses with some semi-catered options available at Orange.

Accommodation is fully furnished with shared bathroom facilities and common areas within each complex. An extensive residential support network exists at each campus to provide pastoral and welfare care to residents. Telephone and data systems with voicemail allow access to the University's computer network and the internet.

Because on-campus accommodation is limited, your application for accommodation should be made in the days immediately after receipt of an offer. Applications for new students will open on Thursday 1 December 2011 and close on Friday 3 February 2012.

For more information call 1300 734 654 or visit [www.csu.edu.au/oncampus/accommodation/on-campus](http://www.csu.edu.au/oncampus/accommodation/on-campus)

The University operates a Tertiary Students' Accommodation Register for off-campus accommodation. This service lists privately provided student housing, private board, or rented houses and units. For more information visit [www.csu.edu.au/division/studserv/stay](http://www.csu.edu.au/division/studserv/stay).

## STUDENT AND CAMPUS SERVICES

Facilities and services available to students include religious and community advocacy connections, childcare, counselling (career and personal), health promotion services, learning assistance, libraries and computing services, educational centres for Indigenous students, services for students with disabilities, sporting and recreation facilities, canteens, dining rooms, cafes and mini supermarkets, security and buses to and from the campuses. These services are described in the *Undergraduate Prospectus*. For a copy call 1800 334 733 or visit [www.csu.edu.au/about/publications](http://www.csu.edu.au/about/publications)

### Internet access

The University has minimum requirements for internet access. Access is available on each campus.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

If you are considering studying at CSU, you are advised to read the relevant publications. Call 1800 334 733 for an *Undergraduate Prospectus* or find all this information and more on the University's website at [www.csu.edu.au](http://www.csu.edu.au). However, the best way to make an informed choice is to take a personalised tour of the campus with a current student. At CSU, it's 'open day every day' – read 'Open Days in 2011' on page 142.