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Important dates

Enrolment of new students	End of August 2017 – February 2018 (for most courses)
0 Week (including Academic Advice)	Mid-Feb 2018 for session 1, 2018 Mid-July 2018 for session 2, 2018
Session 1	Monday 26 February – Friday 29 June 2018
Session 2	Monday 30 July – Friday 30 November 2018

ABOUT

Macquarie University began as a bold experiment in higher education – to be distinctive, progressive and transformational. Today, still as bold as ever, Macquarie is a thriving hub of discovery for more than 40,000 students.

A place of inspiration

Our campus spans 126 hectares, with open green space that gives you the freedom to think and grow. We also have excellent transport links to the city and suburbs, supported by an on-campus train station and extensive bus network.

Building successful graduates

Our pioneering approach to teaching and learning will help you to become an audacious and responsible leader in your field. Our approach is built around a connected learning community: as a Macquarie student you're considered a partner and co-creator in your learning experience. Your face-to-face experience is paired with sophisticated and interactive digital resources, and your courses are linked to the latest research discoveries.

Real-world experiences

At Macquarie, we set you up for a successful and rewarding career from day one. We do this by facilitating international exchange opportunities, and by connecting you with organisations that offer internships and other types of practical work placements. These real-world experiences allow you the opportunity to put your skills into practice well before you graduate and make you irresistible to employers.

Industry connections

More than 300 leading companies are located on or around the Macquarie campus, so you'll have many opportunities to tap into industry connections that give you an edge in your future career. The University is also a key partner in the Macquarie Park Innovation District (MPID) – Australia's premier innovation hub, which is set to transform the way collaboration and innovation are catalysed.

World-leading facilities

We are home to some of the country's most contemporary facilities, including Australia's only university-led integrated health campus, a pop-up incubator for budding entrepreneurs, a cyber security hub, a multi-million-dollar media hub

and innovative science labs. In fact, more than \$1 billion has been invested in our campus in recent years, meaning you get to study in an environment that's world class, inspiring and switched on to the latest digital technologies.

Renowned for excellence

We are ranked among the top 2 per cent of universities in the world* and with a five-star QS rating (2015), we are considered one of the world's best universities.

* Academic Ranking of World Universities 2016.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In order to be admitted as a candidate for a bachelor degree at Macquarie University, you need to satisfy the general requirements listed in one of the following categories and be selected for enrolment.

Australian secondary studies

Selection will be based on your ATAR or equivalent rank obtained from your Australian Year 12 or International Baccalaureate (IB) in 2017 or earlier (unless you have undertaken tertiary study, including TAFE). To compare interstate Year 12 results, refer to uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/interstate.shtml.

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

Macquarie University has a number of bonus points schemes and alternative pathways for admission, which may allow you to receive an offer to a degree even though you have an ATAR below the published cut-off.

Bonus points schemes include:

- Academic Advantage for strong performance in relevant Year 12 subjects
- Big History Scheme
- Educational Access Scheme – Lighthouse Scheme for special circumstances
- Elite Athletes and Artistic Performers Scheme
- Rural Bonus Scheme for rural and remote students.

For most participating degrees, you can receive a maximum of 10 bonus points by combining these schemes. Some degrees limit the maximum number of bonus points to six.

Academic Advantage

Academic Advantage recognises your achievements in subjects that relate specifically to Macquarie's degrees. Depending on your performance, students may receive up to three bonus points for each subject, for a total of up to six points.

Who is eligible?

If you have completed an Australian Year 12 HSC or the International Baccalaureate (IB) in Australia the year prior to application, you are eligible for bonus points.

What degrees are excluded?

Academic Advantage applies to all Macquarie University degrees except:

- B Actuarial studies (including double degrees)
- B Actuarial studies with B Professional Practice
- B Advanced Science
- B Laws (including double degrees)
- B Psychology (Honours) with B Laws.

How do I apply?

UAC will calculate your eligibility automatically if a Macquarie University degree is listed in your preferences. Visit mq.edu.au/academic-advantage for more information.

Rural Bonus Scheme

The Rural Bonus Scheme supports students from rural and regional Australia by offering bonus points. If you're from rural or regional Australia and don't have access to the same resources as students in cities and larger towns, you may be eligible for up to nine bonus points, depending on the remoteness of your primary residential postcode.

Macquarie has also developed a range of other initiatives and programs to support rural and remote students. These include:

- accommodation scholarships for rural and remote students
- accommodation for rural students
- distance education courses.

Rural Bonus points apply to all Macquarie University degrees except B Actuarial Studies with B Professional Practice. Visit mq.edu.au/rural-bonus-scheme for more information.

Big History Scheme

The Macquarie University Big History: Connecting Knowledge MOOC (massive open learning course) is available on the COURSEERA® platform and features 20 academics from across all faculties of the University. 'Zooming In' and 'Big History Framework' lectures enable you to understand key concepts through the lenses of different disciplines and the unprecedented challenges we face on a global scale.

The Big History: Connecting Knowledge MOOC is a powerful foundation for university study in any discipline. Once you verify that you've completed the Big History: Connecting Knowledge MOOC, you'll receive three bonus points.

Visit mq.edu.au/big-history-scheme for more information.

Big History Bonus Points apply to all Macquarie University degrees except:

- B Actuarial studies (including double degrees)
- B Actuarial studies with B Professional Practice.

Macquarie Entry for current Year 12 students

At Macquarie, we recognise that students have different strengths, interests and personal circumstances, and that your ATAR doesn't necessarily reflect your achievements or potential. That's why Macquarie Entry looks at a variety of criteria, including your academic results in relevant HSC subjects, your engagement with your local community, and your previous study or work experience.

■ Global Leadership Entry Program

The Global Leadership Entry Program (GLEP) – which will support and inspire you as a global leader of tomorrow – considers your commitment to service, engagement and leadership, as well as your school results. If you're selected for GLEP, we'll make you an early offer. You'll also participate in exclusive activities while you're still at school. The program is available in a select group of Macquarie courses. Visit mq.edu.au/glep for more information.

■ Gifted and Talented Program

The Gifted and Talented Entry Program allows high-achieving students the opportunity to undertake Macquarie first-year units while in Years 11 and 12. If you successfully complete your units with the necessary GPA, you may be eligible to receive an early offer for a select number of Macquarie courses once you complete Year 12. Visit mq.edu.au/gifted-and-talented for more information.

■ Schools Recommendation Schemes

Macquarie participates in the Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS), centrally administered by UAC. Visit mq.edu.au/srs and read section 5.5 in Part 1 for more information.

■ Academic Entry Program

The Academic Entry Program matches your strengths to our world-class courses. Rather than just considering your ATAR, we review your results for the HSC subjects that correspond to select Macquarie courses and make an offer based on your performance in these subjects. The program is available for most Macquarie courses. Visit mq.edu.au/academic-entry for more information.

Australian tertiary studies

If you have ever undertaken tertiary studies, you'll be considered for selection on your overall record of academic merit – that is, both secondary and tertiary study. If you have tertiary award studies but haven't completed a Year 12 certificate will be considered for selection on the basis of your tertiary rank.

Previous students at Macquarie University

If you are a former Macquarie University student applying to return to the same undergraduate degree simply apply via UAC.

If you have previously been excluded from Macquarie University, you will need to meet additional requirements before being approved to return to studies.

Overseas qualifications

If you are an Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia with overseas qualifications you should seek information about eligibility for admission from Macquarie University before submitting an application through UAC. Visit uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/overseas.shtml for information on overseas secondary qualifications.

If you apply on the basis of overseas qualifications, you may be required to sit an English language proficiency test – visit uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/elp.shtml for more information.

Alternative pathways

If you don't receive a competitive offer based on your academic ranking, you maybe eligible for one of our alternative pathways.

Visit mq.edu.au/pathways for more information about the methods of selection for the alternative pathways listed below, and other qualifications that may lead to eligibility.

Macquarie University International College Diploma

Macquarie University International College offers diploma programs to help you transition into university study. Developed specifically to meet Macquarie's entry requirements, the College offers four diplomas that are designed so that upon successful completion you can go straight from your pathway studies into your chosen Macquarie University Bachelor degree.

There are six teaching weeks for each term, plus orientation, exams and term breaks. Diploma studies commence in February, April, July and October each year, enabling you to transition to the next available commencing session for undergraduate studies. On successful completion you'll gain guaranteed entry into the second year of a relevant degree provided they meet the entry criteria. Visit mq.edu.au/college for entry requirements and courses offered.

Next Step

Next Step allows you to study Macquarie units and, if completed successfully, get credit towards your chosen course even if you don't have the required ATAR or equivalent for entry into a Bachelor course. The program is available for a select group of Macquarie courses. Current school leavers and non-school applicants are eligible to apply. Visit mq.edu.au/next-step for more information.

TAFE articulation

If you have completed a specified diploma or advanced diploma, you could be eligible for articulation into a limited range of Macquarie courses. Visit mq.edu.au/study/non-school-applicants/getting-into-university/entry-pathways/tafe-graduates for more information.

Open Universities Australia (OUA)

Open Universities Australia allows you to study Macquarie units at your own pace, building towards a full Macquarie degree. Study is completely online and is open to students with an ATAR below entry requirement or even no ATAR at all. Visit open.edu.au/courses/maq for more information.

Walanga Muru Alternative Entry Scheme

The Walanga Muru Alternative Entry Scheme provides opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to study undergraduate courses at Macquarie. You will need to attend an assessment day where you'll be given the opportunity to demonstrate that you have the minimum skills and knowledge to successfully participate in your chosen course.

Offers are made according to merit, based on demonstrated capacity at an on-campus assessment day. Visit mq.edu.au/walanga-muru-pathway for more information.

Internal transfer

If you missed out on the ATAR for a course you have your heart set on, you may be able to enrol in a course with a lower ATAR and transfer into your desired course, as long as you meet the internal transfer criteria. Visit mq.edu.au/internal-transfer for more information.

Pre-Law Pathway

If you are a new student (commencing a Macquarie course in 2018) and you want to study law but receive an offer to a non-law course at Macquarie, you can apply for our Pre-Law Pathway if you meet certain criteria. You'll be able to undertake introductory law units as a pathway to the B Laws. Visit mq.edu.au/pre-law-pathway for more information.

Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT)

MQ accepts the STAT Multiple Choice test for:

- non-2017 Year 12 applicants
- all courses except B Actuarial Studies and its double degrees, B Actuarial Studies with B Professional Practice, B Business Leadership and Commerce, B Clinical Science and B Education (ECE)(0–12) and its distance study mode.

Visit stat.acer.org for more information on STAT.

Limited ATAR

MQ accepts the Limited ATAR for selection purposes. Read section 2.4 in Part 1 for more information.

SCHOOLS RECOMMENDATION SCHEMES

Macquarie University participates in Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS), which are processed centrally through UAC. The Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) allows your school to recommend you for an early university offer. We'll look at your Year 11 academic achievements as well as your school's rating of your aptitude and learning ability. If you are found to be suitable, we'll make you an early offer. The program is available for most Macquarie courses, including some distance programs.

Visit mq.edu.au/srs and read section 5.5 in Part 1 for more information.

EDUCATIONAL ACCESS SCHEMES

Macquarie University has an Educational Access Scheme (EAS) called the Lighthouse Scheme. You may be eligible to earn bonus points if you have experienced educational or social disadvantage. If you are eligible, you could receive up to five bonus points. Visit mq.edu.au/educational-access-scheme for more information.

Read section 5.5 in Part 1 for further information on EAS.

EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS

Macquarie University offers a range of equity scholarships as well as scholarships under the Indigenous Student Success Program (ISSP). These are open to all eligible students applying to, or enrolled at, Macquarie University.

All Macquarie Equity and ISSP Scholarships applications are processed centrally through UAC.

Macquarie University Equity Scholarship offerings are under review. Check mq.edu.au/scholarships for up to date information.

Macquarie University is introducing a cooperative-education (Co-op) program in 2018 with the launch of the Bachelor of Professional Practice combined with a standard degree (visit mq.edu.au/study/why-study-here-employability/cooperative-education-program for more information). Students are selected based on academic merit and an assessment of their motivation, qualities and skills.

Macquarie University also offers a number of other scholarships – read 'Financial assistance' on the following page.

Read section 7.6 in Part 1 for more information on Equity Scholarships.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

Elite athletes and artistic performers

If performing, training or competitive commitments have affected your HSC or study preparation, you may be eligible for four bonus points under the Special Admission Scheme – Elite Athletes and Artistic Performers. Macquarie's Committee will consider individual circumstances and determine if a student is eligible for bonus points.

For session 1, on-time applications close on **Tuesday 31 October 2017**. Late applications will be accepted with a late fee until Thursday 30 November 2017.

EAAP bonus points apply to all Macquarie University degrees except B Actuarial Studies with B Professional Practice. Visit mq.edu.au/elite-athletes-and-performers-scheme for more information.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AUSTRALIANS

The Walanga Muru Alternative Entry Scheme is an equity initiative aimed at increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation within bachelor courses.

It provides opportunities to Indigenous Australians who may not have completed their HSC or acquired a necessary selection rank for entry into their course of choice.

As part of the selection process you are required to attend an assessment workshop. Particular courses may require additional supporting information; offers will be made according to merit, based on demonstrated capacity to undertake university study.

You are encouraged to contact the Indigenous Student Support Officer prior to application. Call (02) 9850 4498 or visit mq.edu.au/walanga-muru-pathway for more information.

BRIDGING COURSES

Numeracy Centre – free academic support

The Numeracy Centre offers free help with the mathematics or statistics component of any first-year course, including statistics, psychology, economics, physics, accounting, actuarial studies, electronics, biology, chemistry and mathematics. The centre works on a drop-in basis during the week, and runs a variety of bridging courses at the beginning of every session.

Bridging and preparatory courses

The Numeracy Centre also offers a number of courses at the start of each year on a fee-paying basis.

Mathematics bridging course

The Preparatory Course in Mathematics is an intensive course for students from various mathematical backgrounds who need to enrol in first-year mathematics courses or who need a solid review of introductory mathematical concepts. Two different streams are available. A number of review sessions are also run to refresh prerequisite knowledge early in the session.

Visit maths.mq.edu.au/numeracy, call (02) 9850 8924 or email sci.numeracy@mq.edu.au for more information.

Chemistry bridging course

The chemistry bridging course is recommended for students who plan to study science but did not study chemistry at HSC level; for those needing to gain confidence in chemistry; and for those who want a refresher course in chemistry. The 4.5-day course is offered in the week before session 1 commences. Contact the Department of Chemistry and Biomolecular Sciences administrator on (02) 9850 8275 for more information.

ENROLMENT

New undergraduate students will have the opportunity to enrol online in their first year at Macquarie. Information and enrolment instructions for new students will be available on Macquarie's enrolment website at mq.edu.au/secure from the end of August 2017.

Acceptance of offer

Students who intend to study at Macquarie should secure their place online promptly. Visit mq.edu.au/secure for more information about how to secure an offer, and for enrolment instructions. Note that most external units do have an on-campus attendance requirement for field trips, workshops and/or examinations. Visit the Macquarie University Handbook at handbook.mq.edu.au/2017 for detailed information about each unit.

Orientation

Orientation takes place the week before classes begin and is the best way to find out what university life has to offer. The day is run entirely by Macquarie's student volunteers, Mentors@Macquarie, who take new students through the basics of university and help ease the transition into university life. Visit mq.edu.au/orientation for more information about orientation and assistance with the transition into university life.

Advanced standing/academic credit

If you are seeking recognition for prior learning, you must complete an application and provide the relevant supporting evidence. Visit mq.edu.au/study/admissions/recognition-of-prior-learning for more information.

Deferment of offer

Deferment is available to all applicants (excluding Diploma, Foundation and all pathway programs), for up to one year only. The offer will lapse if tertiary studies (eg Certificate IV and above, university studies) are undertaken during the deferment period.

Visit students.mq.edu.au/admin/taking-a-break/deferment for more information.

Fees and charges

Visit mq.edu.au/study/admissions/fees-and-costs/ domestic-coursework-student-fees for information about course fees.

All students must pay a student contribution for a Commonwealth-supported place (CSP). For more information, read section 7.2 in Part 1.

Payment of a student services and amenities fee is compulsory for most students. Visit mq.edu.au/study/admissions/fees-and-costs/student-services-and-amenities-fee for more information.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Youth and student allowances

For details on Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY, visit humanservices.gov.au.

Loans

The Student Loan Scheme provides assistance to students who are unable to finance basic needs while studying. Visit mq.edu.au/policy/docs/student_loans/policy.html for more information.

Scholarships

The University offers several prizes and scholarships. Visit mq.edu.au/scholarships for more information.

Also read 'Equity Scholarships' on previous page.

STUDENT AND CAMPUS SERVICES

Macquarie University offers a range of student support services. These include counselling, chaplaincy, academic assistance and learning support, and employment and career advice. Campus facilities include a medical centre, computing centre, sporting and recreation facilities, and a childcare centre.

The University supports a variety of student organisations, clubs and societies. Visit campuslife.mq.edu.au/get-involved for more information.

Macquarie's Campus Wellbeing has dedicated support services for students with special needs. Visit students.mq.edu.au/support/wellbeing for more information.

Disability Service

Macquarie's Disability Service works with students and their academic supervisors to make sure that learning and assessment needs are met. Auslan interpreters and note takers are available in lectures and tutorials, and course and exam materials are available in alternative formats. Macquarie's library has rooms equipped with adaptive technology, and a range of assistive equipment is available for loan. Macquarie is constantly improving the wheelchair accessibility of its campus.

Visit students.mq.edu.au/support/health_and_wellbeing/disability_service/how_to_register for information about how to register with the Disability Service. Students wishing to request support services from the Disability Service (including those prospective students who have completed a questionnaire for UAC applicants with disabilities), should make an appointment with a Disability Adviser immediately after enrolling at Macquarie University:

on campus: Level 2, Lincoln Building (C8A), Macquarie University
tel: (02) 9850 7497
email: campuswellbeing@mq.edu.au
website: students.mq.edu.au/support/health_and_wellbeing/disability_service

Accommodation

Macquarie offers an array of safe, supportive and friendly accommodation options, including university housing, residential colleges, self-contained studios, apartments and private listings to suit all needs. Accommodation Services has dedicated staff to provide support during your transition into university.

Visit mq.edu.au/accommodation or call (02) 9850 7965 for more information.