

Apply-By-Web for Year 12 students

Year 12 students, with access to a credit card, can lodge their university application via the web at www.uac.edu.au. Payment for the \$11 UAC processing charge must be made up-front using a credit card (Visa, Mastercard or Bankcard only) before students can commence their application.

Students who do not have access to a credit card can use the Apply-By-Telephone process which bills the \$11 processing charge to the telephone account holders account.

Last year, students who applied via the web printed an invoice at the end of their application which they paid at Australia Post. However, due to the number of problems experienced with this (including incompatible printers, students paying on the same invoice, students not paying etc), UAC had to revise the Apply-By-Web payment procedure.

Information and handy hints for applying via the web can be found on page 15 of the UAC 2002 Guide or on the web site at www.uac.edu.au. Before applying students should check that they can access Apply-By-Web at www.uac.edu.au. They should know their credit card number and expiry date of the card and they should also know the UAC codes for their choice of courses.

To access Apply-By-Web students should be using browser versions Netscape 4.08 or Internet Explorer 5.0 or above.

New look online course search

UAC has updated its online course search facility to make it easier for users to access information about NSW and ACT undergraduate university courses. The improvements include:

- an enhanced, easy-to-read 'results screen'
- course descriptions are viewed as html pages (previously the courses were pdf files)
- links between the courses have been increased and improved.

Over 1400 course descriptions are included on the UAC site for 2002 admissions. Each course description provides information for Australian and international students and shows the UAI cut-off that was required for entry to the course the previous year.

The UAC web site also provides links to all of the universities in NSW and the ACT, interstate tertiary admissions centres and other notable Australian education sites.

Visitors to the site can also view a list of NSW and ACT university open days in 2001, as well as the various publications that UAC produces.

Year 10 Booklets *prove popular*

UAC has sold out of the *University Entry Requirements 2004 Year 10 Booklet*. after receiving a record number of orders from schools.

Schools ordered a total of almost 30,000 copies of the booklet this year, on top of the four free reference copies UAC sends to each NSW and ACT Year 12 school.

The quantity UAC prints is determined by the number of orders received by schools by the order deadline. This year, UAC received a large number of late orders after the booklet had gone to print. To avoid disappointment in the future, schools should submit their orders before the deadline.

UAC gives permission for schools and tertiary institutions to make copies of the booklet for students, as per the copyright instructions found on the inside cover of the booklet.

The booklet may also be downloaded from the UAC web site at www.uac.edu.au - look under 'Publications-Download'.

Extended closing date *for uni applications*

A reminder that the UAC closing date for late applications has been extended until Wednesday 6 February 2002.

However, students should still be encouraged to submit their application by 28 September 2001 to:

- avoid paying a late fee
- ensure their application will be considered in the Main Round of offers on 18 January 2002. Universities make the majority of their offers in the Main Round.

The extended closing date will allow students who forget to apply, or who decide late that they want to go to university, the opportunity to do so.

Offer round *changes*

As a result of the extended closing date for applications, the following changes have been made to UAC offer rounds:

- the Final Round has been renamed the Late Round. The Late Round of offers will be released on 1 February 2002
- a new offer round has been introduced - the Last Round - which will be released on 15 February 2002.

This means there will now be five offer rounds - Early, Preliminary, Main, Late and Last.

Details about each of the offer rounds can be found on pages 24-25 of the *UAC 2002 Guide* or on the UAC web site at www.uac.edu.au.

A copy for the:

- Principal
- Careers Adviser
- Year 12 Adviser

Copies of current and previous newsletters can be downloaded from the UAC web site at www.uac.edu.au. Look under 'Publications - Download'.

New courses - apply through UAC

The following courses are not listed in the UAC 2002 Guide, but are available through UAC.

Application procedure: Apply through UAC using the course code shown. UAC's closing dates for applications and changes of preferences apply - for details check the *UAC 2002 Guide* or UAC web site.

► Australian National University

133103 B Electronic Commerce HECS, 3F or 6P

Assumed knowledge: ACT Advanced Mathematics major or NSW Mathematics or equivalent.

Major studies: E-commerce, business information systems, information technology.

Honours: Available as an additional year for meritorious students.

Career opportunities: Examples include E-commerce developer, web consultant, business analyst, business systems and software analyst, business solutions manager, E-commerce sales and E-commerce consultant.

Additional information: The course provides students with knowledge of the electronic technologies that support business, such as software and computer systems, and commerce skills including the business processes and marketing techniques that apply electronic technologies to the real world. It also incorporates people skills such as communication and management abilities that help to explain the application of electronic technology to business and encourage its use.

133203 B Finance HECS, 3F or 6P

Assumed knowledge: ACT Advanced Mathematics major or NSW Mathematics or equivalent.

Major studies: Finance, business statistics, economics, management.

Honours: Available as an additional year for meritorious students.

Career opportunities: Examples include corporate treasury, financial planning, funds management, insurance, investment consulting, merchant and general banking, public finance and government, real estate management, security analysis, and stock broking.

Additional information: Finance is concerned with the study of financial instruments, institutions, markets and systems. It involves

the study of financial decision making under uncertainty, which has applications in many fields including banking, financial consulting and planning, funds management, merchant banking, stock broking and treasury.

New named degrees in Engineering

The following named degrees will be offered from 2002:

- B Engineering (Environmental Systems)
- B Engineering (Manufacturing and Management Systems)
- B Engineering (Materials and Mechanical Systems)
- B Engineering (Photonic Systems)
- B Engineering (Semiconductor Electronics)
- B Engineering (Sustainable Energy Systems)

Further information on the new degrees can be found on the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology web site at: <http://feit.anu.edu.au/> or by contacting the Faculty Office on (02) 6125 8870 or (02) 6125 9684.

Application procedure: Apply through UAC using course code 135004 (Bachelor of Engineering). The admission level and course prerequisites for all B Engineering degrees are the same and the first year is common to all programs. Those offered a place in 135004 will be able to transfer to a named B Engineering degree course after their first year.

► Southern Cross University

332107 B Business Administration (Human Resource specialisation) Lismore HECS, 3F or 6P

Major studies: Human resource management, human resource development, human relations and communication, sociology.

Career opportunities: Examples include local/state/Commonwealth departments, human resource management and development, project management, management consultants.

Additional information: This course is available to full-time students on its Lismore campus, as well as to external students.

This degree aims to equip students with an understanding of the dynamics of how people in organisations communicate; the ability to apply HRM strategies within overall organisational strategies in many different work settings; and with the skills to train and develop staff within an organisational setting.

For further information call (02) 6620 3133 or email: bba-hr@scu.edu.au

Additional major for B Information Technology

Southern Cross University's Bachelor of Information Technology now has an additional major - Electronic Commerce.

The major provides an introduction to the Internet and electronic business technology. It examines current business techniques to data networks as well as introducing students to general business concepts. Further information can be found in the IT course brochure on the SCU web site: www.scu.edu.au

► University of New South Wales

429011 B Science (Nanotechnology)* Kensington HECS, 4F

449011 B Science (Nanotechnology)* Kensington FEE (local), 4F

Assumed knowledge: Mathematics Extension 1 and Chemistry.

Major studies: Chemistry, physics, biochemistry, materials science and engineering.

Honours: Awarded on the basis of superior performance throughout the course.

Career opportunities: Examples include employment in business, research, industry, enterprise or new, high-technology companies which seek to harness the properties of materials in a nanostructured form, other science-based industries.

Additional information: Nanotechnology is emerging as a growth industry in Australia and internationally. It is rapidly emerging as an exciting and innovative new field in science and technology; one that promises to revolutionise both industry and society. It is centred on the ability to manipulate individual atoms or molecules to produce functional devices. This 'bottom-up' approach allows the production of novel structures for applications as diverse as quantum computers to sensors for medical applications.

The first two years cover elements of chemistry, physics, biochemistry, materials science and engineering. In the third year students may elect to do subjects principally in chemistry and biochemistry to gain expertise in self-assembly molecules and biodevices. Alternatively, students may elect to do subjects principally in physics and materials science and engineering to understand device behaviour and fabrication. All students will perform a major research project in their fourth year.

For further details call (02) 9385 5446, email: amanda.smith@materials.unsw.edu.au or visit the web site: www.nanotech.unsw.edu.au

* Subject to approval

What's happening at ...

▶ Australian Catholic University

Win a scholarship at ACU's open day

Visitors to any of ACU's Open Days have the chance to win a \$5 000 HECS scholarship* for their first year of study.

Interested students should simply visit Strathfield or North Sydney campuses on 25 August or Canberra campus on 1 September and have their name placed in the prize draw.

For more details call (02) 9739 2362.

* Conditions apply

▶ Charles Sturt University

Correction to UAC 2002 Guide

In Part 3 of the UAC 2002 Guide the course B Applied Science (UAC course code 251404) should not appear.

Instead a new course, B Applied Science (Horticulture), is being offered. The new course has two strands - Environmental (UAC course code 257304) and Production (UAC course code 257334). Both strands are conducted at the Wagga Wagga campus.

Major studies include agriculture business management, botany, horticulture/horticultural science, post harvest technology, soil science, urban horticulture and water science.

For more details see page 136 of the *UAC 2002 Guide*.

▶ University of New England

Scholarship booklets

UNE's Scholarship booklets and applications will be sent to your school in mid August.

School/College Recommendation Scheme

UNE's School/ College Recommendation Scheme (SRAS) application forms will be sent to schools before Monday 30 July.

The closing date for SRAS applications is Friday 28 September 2001.

Open Day

UNE's Open Day will be held on Friday 7 September 2001. Visitors can take a tour of the campus and see the residential colleges, teaching facilities and receive course information on all areas of study.

Enjoy a free barbecue lunch and enter the lucky prize draw.

▶ University of Newcastle

Courses and Careers Evenings

The University of Newcastle Callaghan Campus will hold informative courses and careers evenings from Monday 3 September to Friday 7 September.

These sessions are ideal for prospective students to find out more about courses of interest, outreach programs and to meet faculty staff.

For further information about the evenings call the Prospective Students' Unit, on Freecall 1800 636 466 or (02) 4921 5320.

Open Day at Ourimbah

Open Day at the Ourimbah Campus will be held on Sunday 16 September (10 am-3 pm) and is planned as a relaxed fun and informative day for prospective students and their families.

As well as valuable course information, there will be displays, demonstrations, entertainment and environmental tours of the campus. Lunch will be available along with freebees from the food technology students.

Further information can be obtained from Cae Pattison on (02) 4348 4139.

▶ University of Wollongong

Changes to 2004 Year 10 Booklet

The University of Wollongong has recently reviewed the prerequisite requirements for all of its courses.

After consultation with faculty leaders and careers advisers, the University of Wollongong has replaced existing prerequisites with assumed knowledge and recommended studies.

Additional admission requirements such as auditions, interviews and English proficiency still remain for selected bachelor degrees.

Consequently, the information in the 2004 Year 10 Booklet is no longer correct and students should check with the UniAdvice office for the most up to date information regarding the amended requirements.

Telephone Wollongong UniAdvice on 1300 367 869 or email your request to uniadvice@uow.edu.au.

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All of the information outlined above is also available on the web at www.uac.edu.au

Tertiary admissions centre web sites

UAC

www.uac.edu.au

QTAC

www.qtac.edu.au

VTAC

www.vtac.edu.au

TISC

www.tisc.edu.au

SATAC

www.satac.edu.au

Other useful sites

HECS

www.ato.gov.au/hecs

Centrelink

www.centrelink.gov.au

TAFE New South Wales

www.tafensw.edu.au

NSW Board of Studies

www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au

Year 12 checklist for applying to university

✓ Do you know your PIN ?

Your Personal Identification Number (PIN) is a four-digit number. You need your PIN to submit your UAC application and access details about your application such as your course preferences, offers, and your UAI (if you are a 2001 NSW or ACT Year 12 student).

Keep a record of your PIN in a secure place. Do not divulge your PIN to anyone unless you want them to have access to your personal information.

NSW HSC students receive a PIN notification from UAC in the mail in early August. You must use this PIN to access both UAC services and the Board of Studies HSC Results Services. If you do not receive your PIN at the same time as your classmates, contact UAC.

If you lose your PIN and need a replacement, you must submit a written request to UAC. If you send your request through the mail, ensure you apply well in advance of needing your PIN to allow time to process and deliver your PIN. If you submit your request over the counter, you must provide a signed photo-identification (ie. drivers licence, student card).

All other Year 12 students use the first four digits of their date of birth as their PIN. For example if your birthday is 3 October, your PIN is 0310. If your birthday is 1 February, your PIN is 0102.

If you are having difficulty using your PIN email UAC via our web site or call UAC on (02) 9330 7200.

✓ Are you moving house?

It is important that you provide UAC with an up-to-date address and telephone number so that we can easily contact you. You can change your address after submitting your UAC application via:

- UAC's web site - www.uac.edu.au
- the change of address form at the back of the *UAC 2002 Guide*.

Telephone, email and fax requests will not be accepted for security reasons. You must also separately notify the Board of Studies of your new address.

✓ Do you need a Supplementary Form A?

Some 2001 Year 12 students may need to submit a Supplementary Form A in addition to submitting an Apply-By-Web or Apply-By-Telephone application. The Supplementary Form A is a paper form and can be found in the Year 12 student edition of the *UAC 2002 Guide*. Refer to page 49 of the *UAC 2002 Guide* for further details.

✓ Do you need someone to act on your behalf?

If you will be away for all or part of the admissions period (August 2001 - February 2002) and need to authorise someone to act on your behalf during your absence you will need to advise UAC.

You can do this by either:

- submitting a Supplementary Form A (question 14)
- providing a letter which authorises someone to act on your behalf. The letter must contain your UAC application number, your full name and signature, and the full name and signature of the person authorised to act on your behalf.

If you are going overseas remember to take a copy of the UAC Guide, your UAC number and your PIN with you.

✓ Are you eligible to apply for Educational Access Schemes?

Most of the universities in NSW and the ACT have Educational Access Schemes (EAS) which are designed to help provide access to university for students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage such as:

- disrupted or isolated schooling
- financial hardship
- home environment and responsibilities
- English language difficulties
- personal illness and/or disability.

UAC's EAS Booklet contains information about the universities' schemes and includes an EAS application form. EAS applications must be submitted to UAC by 28 September 2001.

See your careers adviser early for information about the schemes and to get an EAS Booklet. If you think you are eligible, start organising your EAS application as early as possible as you will need to supply supporting documents and statements.

✓ Are you studying overseas?

If you are an Australian citizen, permanent resident or New Zealand citizen studying a 2001 Australian Year 12 overseas, you will not be able to use the Apply-By-Telephone facility to submit your application.

You must use either Apply-By-Web or complete a specially designed application form that has been sent to overseas schools offering Australian Year 12 studies.

For more information see your careers adviser or contact UAC via its web site www.uac.edu.au or call + 612 9330 7200.

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