ABOUT

SIBT offers you a direct pathway to university. Successfully complete a SIBT diploma and then progress directly into second year of a university bachelor degree.

With flexible entry criteria, smaller classes, student support and a personalised learning experience, SIBT helps you to improve your academic performance and prepare you for life beyond the lecture room. SIBT is located in the heart of Sydney, with easy and convenient access to transport and all the facilities and services you may need. A purpose built, state-of-the-art campus welcomes you in 2018 with high-tech classrooms, study areas and social spaces.

Diploma programs include Arts, Business Administration, Commerce, Engineering, Hospitality Management, Information Technology and Media and Communication. Since 1997, over 25,000 graduates have successfully completed their SIBT Diploma program.

You also have the option to fast-track your studies so that the first year of your degree is completed in just eight months. On successful completion of your diploma program, you can advance directly into the second year of your relevant degree program.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Australian secondary studies

To be eligible for entry into a SIBT diploma, you must have completed the NSW Higher School Certificate (HSC) or equivalent. SIBT will consider academic subjects when determining the duration of a diploma (eight or twelve months).

SIBT welcomes alternative entry students (non-Year 12 school leavers) and considers relevant employment experience if supporting documentation is provided.

Australian tertiary studies

The entry criteria into SIBT are based on overall record of academic merit, rather than ATAR.

Overseas qualifications

Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia with overseas qualifications must contact SIBT to discuss eligibility for admission before submitting an application with UAC. Visit uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/overseas.shtml for information on overseas secondary qualifications.

If you have overseas secondary or tertiary qualifications from countries where English is not the language of instruction, you must provide evidence of English proficiency. – visit uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/elp.shtml.

SIBT will accept the following language results:

- Academic IELTS
- TOEFL
- relevant high school English results
- completion of an accredited Academic English program recognised by SIBT.

Alternative entry and pathways

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Foundation Program

The SIBT Foundation Program bridges the gap between the qualifications students gain at high school and those needed to enter a SIBT diploma (equivalent to first year of university).

The program units will depend on the diploma you wish to study. This program is not FEE-HELP approved, and students will be required to pay up-front fees. To see the fee schedule, visit sibt.nsw.edu.au/fees.

Employment experience

Employment experience will be considered for applicants over 21 years of age for all courses. Visit uac.edu.au/undergraduate/apply/documents.shtml for further information on providing documents relating to employment experience.

Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT)

Non-Year 12 applicants may be admitted on the basis of the STAT Multiple Choice test. Visit stat.acer.org for further information on STAT.

Limited ATAR

SIBT accepts the Limited ATAR for selection purposes. Read section 2.4 in Part 1 for more information.
ENROLMENT
New students are required to attend a compulsory on-campus orientation session. During orientation you will:
- enrol in your units
- create your timetable
- receive your student identification card
- receive important information about services and facilities
- participate in a campus tour and other activities.

Acceptance of offer
If your application is successful, you need to accept your offer by following the steps as outlined on the SIBT website. Visit sibt.nsw.edu.au/offer for the step by step instructions.

Advanced standing/academic credit
You may apply for credit transfer for prior learning (exemptions) if you have undertaken formal study in a recognised tertiary institution in Australia. These include universities, colleges, TAFE and other post-secondary education institutions. Overseas institutions will be recognised if they are considered to be the equivalent of Australian institutions. For further information, contact the SIBT admissions team via email at admissions@sibt.nsw.edu.au. Students applying for exemptions must complete the exemptions application form, which should be submitted to SIBT prior to enrolment. Certified copies of originals and unit outlines must also be sent along with a completed application to admissions@sibt.nsw.edu.au.

Deferral of offer
Deferral is available to all applicants, for up to one year only. You may apply to defer the commencement date of your enrolment by emailing the SIBT admissions team at admissions@sibt.nsw.edu.au.

Fees and charges
For 2018 fee information, visit sibt.nsw.edu.au/fees. Tuition fees are required to be paid prior to the census date for each study period. SIBT offers Australian citizens and permanent humanitarian visa holders the opportunity to access the FEE-HELP loan scheme. Under this scheme, the Australian Government will pay your SIBT tuition fees (for Diploma units only). Students will be required to repay this loan through the taxation system once their income is above the minimum repayment threshold. For more information on FEE-HELP, read section 7.2 in Part 1 and visit studyassit.gov.au.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Youth and student allowances
For details on Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY, visit humanservices.gov.au.

Scholarships
SIBT offers the Navitas Academic Merit Scholarship which is awarded each semester to two students who have achieved the most outstanding results across all programs at SIBT. The scholarship is equivalent to one academic semester or part thereof (maximum of up to four academic subjects) of the diploma program.
SIBT also offers the Navitas Family Bursary, which applies when two or more students from the same family selects to study either a SIBT Foundation program or SIBT diploma. Eligible students are entitled to 10 per cent off their tuition fees.
For more information on scholarship options for SIBT students, visit sibt.nsw.edu.au/scholarships.

STUDENT AND CAMPUS SERVICES
SIBT has a range of student support services. These include an onsite library, counselling, academic assistance and learning support, and employment and career advice.
For more information on SIBT student and campus services, visit sibt.nsw.edu.au/sibt-sydney-campus.

Students with disabilities
For students with disabilities and special needs SIBT has dedicated support services. SIBT is committed to providing equal opportunities to students with disabilities and promotes strategies to develop a flexible teaching and learning environment to meet the needs of a diverse range of students. SIBT encourages students to provide information (including medical or other professional advice) regarding the nature of their disability and special needs during the application and enrolment process.
Contact admissions@sibt.nsw.edu.au for further information.

Accommodation
Studying in the city centre of Sydney means SIBT students have a variety of accommodation options choose from which will suit their individual lifestyle and budget. SIBT has agreements with Iglu student accommodation, Urbanest Sydney, Unilodge and a selection of homestay providers offering approved accommodation within private residences, and can accommodate students under 18 years of age.
For more information on accommodation options for SIBT students, visit sibt.nsw.edu.au/accommodation.