# Year 12 checklist for applying through UAC

#### ☐ Research available courses

There are over 2,000 courses available for 2024 admissions via UAC. You can read descriptions of these courses on the UAC website: check the admission requirements and ATAR information. Once you've found your favourite courses, research pathways and alternatives so that you have a back-up plan. Take note of important dates in the application process.

## ☐ Get your USI

Your Unique Student Identifier is your governmentissued student reference number that you will keep with you for life. You need it to enrol at an institution and receive Commonwealth financial assistance, including HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP. You may already have one if you've undertaken vocational education or training. You can create a USI - or check if you have one - at usi.gov.au.

## ☐ Keep your UAC PIN safe

You need your UAC Personal Identification Number to:

- apply for tertiary study through UAC
- access your ATAR.

If you're a 2023 NSW HSC/ACT Senior Secondary Certificate student, your four-digit UAC PIN was emailed in April to the address you registered with NESA or the ACT BSSS. Note that your UAC PIN is different to your NESA PIN.

For all other applicants, your UAC PIN is the first four digits of your date of birth; for example, if your birthday is 17 May, your UAC PIN is 1705.

To protect your privacy, it's a good idea to change your UAC PIN once you've submitted your application. And, of course, keep your UAC PIN in a secure place. For more information, visit uac.edu.au/pin.

## □ Apply for uni through UAC

Go to UAC's website to apply. You can select up to five course preferences. Even if you're not sure what you want to study, apply now and change your preferences later. We recommend you apply before 11.59pm on 29 September 2023 to avoid an increase in the processing charge.

Remember to make a note of your application number. You'll need this number and your UAC PIN to log back in to your application to change your preferences.

### □ Provide a current email address

You'll need to provide a current email address when you apply so that UAC can let you know about the progress of your application. We recommend you log in regularly to check for messages.

## ☐ Check your details are correct

The personal details you provided to NESA/ACT BSSS - including your first, middle and last name and your date of birth - will be automatically entered in your UAC application. If they don't match your official ID (eg your passport or birth certificate) contact UAC. All details must match when you enrol at uni.

## □ Apply for schemes and scholarships

#### **Schools Recommendation Scheme**

The Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) gives you an opportunity to receive an early offer by being assessed on criteria other than, or in addition to, the ATAR. These criteria include school recommendations and senior secondary studies.

SRS applications close at midnight on 18 September 2023. After this date, you cannot access or modify your SRS application. For details, go to <u>uac.edu.au/srs</u>.

#### **Educational Access Scheme**

The Educational Access Scheme (EAS) can help you gain admission to tertiary study if you've experienced educational disadvantage. Apply for EAS as part of your application for uni.

We recommend you apply by 23 November 2023 so that you can be assessed in time for the main Year 12 offer rounds. For details, go to uac.edu.au/eas.

#### **Equity Scholarships**

Equity Scholarships help the most financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education.

We recommend you apply by 8 December 2023. For details, go to <u>uac.edu.au/es</u>.



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