

APPLICATION ESSENTIALS

UAC APPLICATION

- 1 application = 5 course preferences from any university in NSW and the ACT (except Notre Dame) + some colleges.
- Allows you to apply for SRS, EAS and Equity Scholarships.
- Change your mind as many times as you like after you submit your application.
- Apply before 30 September = \$70 fee.
- Apply after 30 September = \$200 + cannot apply for SRS.

	Apply through UAC	Apply direct
Australian Catholic University	Yes	No
Australian College of Applied Psychology	Yes	Yes
Australian National University	Yes	Yes – applications closed 25 May
Charles Darwin University	Yes	Yes
Charles Sturt University	Yes	Yes
CQUniversity	Yes	No
Griffith University	Yes	No
International College of Management, Sydney	Yes	Yes
High Academic Places	Yes	No
La Trobe University	Yes	No
Macleay College	Yes	Yes
Macquarie University	Yes	No
MQ Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme (closes 31 Aug)	Yes	Yes
MIT Sydney	Yes	No
National Art School	Yes	No
SAE Creative Media Institute	Yes	No
SIBT	Yes	Yes
Southern Cross University		
On-campus courses	Yes	No
Online courses	Yes	Yes
Torrens University	Yes	Yes
University of Canberra	Yes	No

DIRECT APPLICATION

If a student completes both a UAC application and a direct application, they should not duplicate their course preferences. If they do, they will be automatically assessed as 'not eligible' for an offer to that course in their UAC application. This ensures they don't receive two offers to the same course.

They should make the most of both applications and have different course preferences in each.

	Apply through UAC	Apply direct
University of New England		
On-campus courses	Yes	No
Online courses	Yes	Yes
University of Newcastle	Yes	No
University of Sydney	Yes	No
University of Technology Sydney	Yes	No
University of Wollongong		
B Health and Physical Education (incl. Dean's Scholar)	Yes	No
B Mathematics Education (incl. Dean's Scholar)		
B Nursing		
B Pre-Medicine, Science and Health		
B Primary Education (incl. Dean's Scholar)		
B Science Education (incl. Dean's Scholar)		
All other courses	Yes	Yes
UNSW Sydney	Yes	No
UNSW Canberra – ADFA	Yes	No
Western Sydney University		
Doctor of Medicine	Yes	No
B Architectural Design		
B Health Science (Paramedicine)		
B Midwifery		
B Physiotherapy		
B Podiatric Medicine		
B Speech Pathology		
All other courses	Yes	Yes

EARLY OFFER SCHEMES

SCHOOLS RECOMMENDATION SCHEMES (SRS): APPLY THROUGH UAC

All Year 12 applicants applying to the following unis are encouraged to apply for SRS, although not all courses are included in the scheme:

- Australian Catholic University
- Charles Sturt University
- International College of Management, Sydney
- Macquarie University
- National Art School
- SAE Creative Media Institute
- University of Canberra
- University of New England
- University of Newcastle
- University of Sydney
- University of Technology Sydney
- Western Sydney University.

Important dates	
20 Sep	Applications close
8 Nov	Finalise preferences
12 Nov	First conditional and unconditional (not based on ATAR) offers released
19 Dec	Finalise preferences for Dec Round 2
23 Dec	Conditional offers converted to unconditional offers if based on ATAR

Assessment criteria

Institutions use one or more of the following criteria other than (or in addition to) the ATAR:

- Year 11 studies
- school's rating of student's abilities in areas of study
- school's rating of student's aptitudes
- Educational Access Schemes (EAS) application (if applicable)
- institution-specific documents (if applicable).

How schools rate students

Areas of study

Schools rate students in 10 areas of study, which are split into two sub-groups:

Performance in Year 12:

- Agriculture
- Creative Arts
- English/Humanities/Social Sciences
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Science
- Technology.

Suitability for tertiary study in:

- Commerce
- Education
- Health.

Aptitudes

Schools rate students on their:

- capacity for abstract thought and analysis
- ability to organise ideas and articulate a position orally and in written form
- ability to work and learn independently
- motivation to achieve long-term goals
- capacity for tertiary study.

How to apply

1. Submit an undergraduate application through UAC.
2. At the end of the application, select the option to also apply for SRS or apply later by using the 'Apply or log in' button at the top right of the UAC website and select the SRS application.

INDIVIDUAL UNI SCHEMES

Australian Catholic University Community Achiever Program (CAP)

Important dates	
5 Aug	Applications close for Blacktown
26 Aug	Applications close for Canberra
Late Aug	First Blacktown conditional offers released
9 Sep	Applications close for North Sydney
16 Sep	Applications close for Strathfield
Mid-Sep	First Canberra conditional offers released
Late Sep	First North Sydney conditional offers released
Early Oct	First Strathfield conditional offers released
Mid-Oct	Final conditional offers released
23 Dec	Conditional offers converted to unconditional offers if based on ATAR

Assessment criteria

- Community Experience Statement – no more than 200 words
- Referee – ACU will contact referee(s) to verify student's community involvement before considering the application.

CAP early offer will convert to a course offer when:

- CAP course is highest eligible preference in UAC application
- prerequisite requirements for CAP course are met
- CAP minimum ATAR is achieved.

How to apply

1. Prepare Community Experience Statement.
2. Choose a referee (must provide their contact details).
3. Apply online via the ACU website: acu.edu.au/community-achiever.

An email will be sent detailing what to do next.

Passion for Business (P4B) program

Important dates: P4B and P4L	
30 Sep	Applications close
Within 4 weeks after submission	Outcome provided

Assessment criteria

Applicants are eligible to apply for admission if they meet any two of the following criteria:

- successful completion of Year 12 or equivalent
- completion of a business subject or business-related subject in Year 11 or Year 12
- completion of a business-related VET qualification or equivalent
- demonstrated work experience including volunteer work experience.

200-300 word statement addressing:

- why the student is passionate about studying business or information technology at ACU
- the student's future career goals and aspirations.

How to apply

Online via the ACU website (acu.edu.au/p4b) and apply through UAC.

Applies to:

- B Accounting and Finance
- B Business Administration
- B Commerce
- B Commerce/B Arts
- B Commerce/B Business Administration
- B IT
- B IT/B Business Administration.

Passion for Law (P4L) program

Assessment criteria

- Successful completion of Year 12 or equivalent
- 200-300 word statement addressing:
 - why the student is passionate about law
 - the student's future career goals and aspirations.

How to apply

Online via the ACU website (acu.edu.au/p4law) and apply through UAC.

Applies to:

- B Arts/B Laws
- B Biomedical Science/B Laws
- B Business Administration/B Laws
- B Commerce/B Laws
- B Laws
- B Laws/B Global Studies
- B Philosophy/B Laws
- B Psychological Science/B Laws
- B Theology/B Laws.

Australian National University

Direct application

Important dates	
25 May	Applications closed
10 Aug	Conditional offers released based on student's ANU selection rank (This is calculated using a mathematical model that uses student's Year 11 results and the school's average ATAR performance in previous years.)
Late Dec	First unconditional offers released

Assessment criteria

- Demonstration of co-curricular or service activities during Years 10–12.
- ANU selection rank.

How to apply

Submit a direct application to ANU: search for 'domestic applications' at anu.edu.au.

Charles Sturt University

Charles Sturt Advantage

Important dates	
1 Jun	Applications open
31 Aug	Applications close
Mid-Sep	Conditional offers released

Assessment criteria

Short written submission demonstrating soft skills such as resilience, empathy and commitment to making this a world worth living in.

How to apply

Online via the CSU website: csu.edu.au/advantage.

International College of Management, Sydney

Early Entry

Leadership Entry Program

Elite Athlete/Performer Entry

Important dates	
11 Sep 2020	Applications close for Early Entry
5 Feb 2021	Applications close for Leadership Entry Program and Elite Athlete/Performer Entry

How to apply

Apply online via the ICMS website:

- Early Entry: icms.edu.au/early-entry
- Leadership Entry Program: icms.edu.au/leadership-entry-program
- Elite Athlete/Performer Entry: icms.edu.au/elite-athletes-performers.

La Trobe University

Aspire

Important dates	
31 Aug	Applications close
Mid-Sep	Conditional offers released
18 Dec	ATAR release: unconditional offers released after this date based on ATAR

Assessment criteria

Two 200-word descriptions of skills, knowledge and experience gained through volunteering, leadership and making a positive contribution to the community.

How to apply

Online via the La Trobe University website: latrobe.edu.au/aspire.

Macleay College

Direct application

Important dates	
Early Jun	Applications open
After Head of Faculty approval	Offers released

Assessment criteria

- 300-word written submission outlining reasons for undertaking intended course of study and how it will help achieve student's career goals.
- Letter of recommendation from school (principal, year coordinator or equivalent).
- Australian citizenship or permanent residency.

How to apply

Online via the Macleay College website: macleay.edu.au/apply-now.

Macquarie University

Macquarie Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme

Important dates	
22 Jul	Change preferences for August round offers by 11.59pm
5 Aug	August round offers released
19 Aug	Change preferences for September round offers by 11.59pm
31 Aug	Applications close at 2pm
9 Sep	September round offers released
23 Sep	Change preferences for October round offers by 11.59pm
8 Oct	Final offers released

Assessment criteria

Applicants need to demonstrate their leadership qualities and/or how they have contributed towards positive change in their community and consistently achieved good results at school.

There are two selection components:

1. demonstration of leadership, service and work through the Macquarie Leaders and Achievers supporting information form and reflection. (Applicants need to complete and upload a Supporting Information Form.)
2. Year 11 studies.

Note that applicants for B Marketing and Media and the B Actuarial Studies and its double degrees are required to have undertaken specific English and/or mathematics subjects in the HSC, ACT Senior Secondary Certificate or International Baccalaureate.

Applicants for teaching courses need to complete a survey before an offer is made.

All applicants must complete their Year 12 exams.

How to apply

1. Select up to five courses from the list on the Macquarie University website: search for 'Macquarie leaders and achievers' at mq.edu.au.
2. Go to the Macquarie University website and download, complete and save the Supporting Information Form.
3. Apply online and upload the Supporting Information Form via the Macquarie University website: mq.uac.edu.au/mq-mla.

The form can be uploaded once only. If the form is not completed properly, the application will be invalid and will not be considered.

Southern Cross University

STAR

Important dates	
11 Sep	Applications close
9 Nov	Offers released

Assessment criteria

- Attend SCU partner schools. Your school can sign up by emailing starentry@csu.edu.au.
- High school results.
- Principal's recommendation.

How to apply

Online via the SCU website: scu.edu.au/star.

Torrens University Australia

Early entry

Important dates	
25 Sep	Applications close
48 hours after applying	Conditional offers released

Assessment criteria

Standard course admission criteria.

How to apply

Online via the Torrens University website: apply.torrens.edu.au.

University of Canberra

Early Offer Round (COVID-19)

Important dates	
5 Jul	Applications close for August offers
13 Aug	Unconditional offers released

Assessment criteria

- School's assessment of student's aptitudes and ability to succeed at university.
- Successful completion of Year 12 or equivalent.

How to apply

For details, search for 'early offer round' at canberra.edu.au.

University of New England

Early Entry Direct

Important dates	
25 Sep	Applications close
Early Nov	Offers released

Assessment criteria

School's assessment of student's attributes and abilities, including the ability to work and learn independently and overall potential for academic success at UNE.

How to apply

Online via the UNE Early Entry website: earlyentry.une.edu.au. Additional supporting documentation must be attached.

The application will be sent electronically to the school for the principal's report. The school must approve and submit the application to UNE before the closing date.

An email will be sent to the student detailing what to do next.

University of Newcastle

Indigenous Law Early Entry Program

Important dates	
midnight 13 Sep	List 483100 B Laws (Honours) Combined as a UAC preference
midnight 13 Sep	Submit direct application to Newcastle Law School
8 Oct	Offers released (October Round 1)

Assessment criteria

- Strong performance across Year 11.
- School recommendation.
- Selection interview.

How to apply

Submit direct application to UON: search for 'entry schemes' at newcastle.edu.au.

Year 12 Subject Spotlight

Important dates	
18-19 Dec	Eligible applicants notified between the release of HSC results on 18 Dec and the deadline for close of preferences for December Round 2 (19 Dec)
23 Dec	Unconditional offers released in December Round 2

Assessment criteria

Strong performance in one or more subjects related to the degree. View requirements for each degree on the University of Newcastle website: search for 'Year 12 Subject Spotlight' at newcastle.edu.au.

How to apply

Just apply through UAC. No separate application is required.

University of Sydney

E12 (via SRS application)

Important dates	
20 Sep	SRS/E12 applications close. Do not remove E12 course from preferences after this date. If you are applying under the financial hardship category, submit your EAS application and supporting documents by 11.59pm to confirm your eligibility for consideration under the E12 Scheme in time for UAC conditional offers on 12 Nov.
12 Nov	Conditional offers released
23 Dec	Unconditional offers released

Assessment criteria

- EAS application
- SEIFA index
- E12 questions
- SRS application.

Tip: If a student's residential address lies within the lowest 25% of the SEIFA index, they will receive an email to this effect the day after they complete their UAC application for undergraduate admission. They will then know if they have met this criteria.

How to apply

1. Search for 'early offer Year 12 scheme' at sydney.edu.au to check E12 eligibility criteria for admission is met (financial hardship + SEIFA index lowest 25%)
 - choose an E12-eligible course
 - download the E12 application questions.
2. Student to talk to principal and careers adviser about applying for E12.
3. Complete UAC undergraduate application and include E12-eligible course as a preference.
4. Apply for EAS at the end of the UAC application (disadvantage AG01, S01C, S01R, F01A, F01B, F01C and/or F01D).
5. Apply for SRS at the end of the UAC application (or via the UAC website) and upload answers to the E12 question.

University of Wollongong

Early Admission

Important dates	
20 Jul	Applications open
14 Aug	Applications close
Week beginning 14 Sep	Invitations to Early Admission (EA) Day emailed
Week beginning 28 Sep	EA Day
Week beginning 12 Oct	Conditional offers released (unconditional offers released on completion of HSC/IB/equivalent)

Assessment criteria

- Must be on track for an ATAR, IB or equivalent.
- Year 11 and 12 results, including trial results.
- Application responses to UOW's identified indicator of success themes: academic readiness, motivation and passion, planning and persistence, communication and collaboration.
- Interview and/or registered attendance at EA Day.

How to apply

Submit direct application to UOW: uow.edu.au/early-admission.

UNSW Sydney

UNSW Gateway Early Conditional Offer Scheme

Important dates	
6 Jul	Applications open for Year 12 students
3 Aug	Applications close for Year 12 students
24 Aug	Early conditional offers released for Year 12 students
29 Sep	Applications open for Year 11 students
9 Oct	Applications close for Year 11 students
26 Oct	Early conditional offers released for Year 11 students
23 Dec	Unconditional (firm) offers released for Year 12 students

Assessment criteria

- UNSW Gateway school enrolment.
- SEIFA index

If your residential address lies within the lowest 25% of the SEIFA index, you will receive an email to this effect the day after you complete your UAC application for undergraduate admission. You will then know if you have met this criteria.
- Strong performance as identified in your school report.
- High level of literacy and academic capability in an area relevant to your preferred degree.
- Personal statement responding to the following Gateway questions:
 - Why are you interested in the course you are applying for? Tell us how this degree relates to your passions and goals.
 - What are your learning strengths? How have you applied them to overcome challenges in school or other aspects of your life?
 - Tell us about yourself, and your contribution to the community you live, study and work in. What will you bring to the UNSW community?

How to apply

- Online via the UNSW website: search for 'UNSW Gateway' at unsw.edu.au.
- Choose two examples of recent, marked HSC assessment work that demonstrates your ability in the degree area of your choice. At least one piece must be long-form text (eg an essay).
- Use the step-by-step support app to write your personal statement.

Western Sydney University

HSC True Reward

Important dates	
Aug	Applications open
11 Dec	Applications close
11 Dec	Finalise preferences
18 Dec	Offers released

Assessment criteria

Meet a specified HSC band outcome in nominated courses.

The following courses are excluded:

- Doctor of Medicine
- Associate Degree in Engineering
- B Architectural Design
- B Arts (Pathway to Teaching – Birth-5 Years/Birth-12 Years)/Diploma Pathway
- B Education (Primary) – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
- B Community and Social Development
- B Creative Industries (Music)
- B Health Science (Paramedicine)
- B Laws (Graduate Entry)
- B Laws (Non-graduate Entry)
- B Midwifery
- B Music
- B Music (Dean's Scholars)
- B Music/B Creative Industries
- B Nursing (Enrolled Nurse Pathway)
- B Occupational Therapy
- B Physiotherapy
- B Podiatric Medicine
- B Speech Pathology.

How to apply

Online via the Western Sydney University website. Select 'yes' to HSC True Reward: westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws.

The Academy Global Leaders Program

Important dates	
15 Jul	Applications open
6 Sep	Applications close
20 Sep	Finalise preferences
13 Oct	Offers released

Assessment criteria

Open to 2020 Year 12 students who are Australian citizens or permanent residents.

Applicants must:

- demonstrate a high level of academic achievement
- provide evidence of leadership qualities and involvement within their school or community.

The following courses are excluded:

- Doctor of Medicine
- B Architectural Studies
- B Laws (Graduate Entry)
- B Laws (Non-graduate Entry)
- B Midwifery
- B Occupational Therapy
- B Physiotherapy
- B Podiatric Medicine.

How to apply

- Online via Western Sydney University website: theacademy.edu.au.
- Apply through UAC and list a Western Sydney University course as the first preference by midnight 20 September 2020.