

Centre - UAC

# **CAREER NEWS**

# Term 1, Week 10 2024

### UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS OPEN THROUGH UAC - 3 APRIL 2024

Applications for most Universities courses are made through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC).

UAC has information about courses and the application process. Homepage - Universities Admissions

UAC has a dedicated service called UAC Digital where information is supplied online e.g. webinars. <u>UAC Digital - UAC</u>. The webinar at 6pm on 3 April is about applying for University

Applications open on 3 April. After 30 September 2024, a substantial increase in application fee occurs.

For some background information, visit <u>Year 11 and 12 students - UAC</u>.

For some explanation of specific terms visit Admissions terminology - UAC

The School to Uni roadmap is a helpful outline of important dates... <u>Year 12 roadmap: from school to uni - UAC</u>

# Terms 1 and 2 – Starting on 3 April

### **Applications open**

- Not all courses will be available for selection straight away but they'll all be there by August
- UAC PINs emailed to NSW and ACT students on this day: you need it to start your application (and view your ATAR in December)



# UAC webinar: ATAR to Uni Success: Applying to Uni with Ease

Wed 3 Apr 2024 | 6pm

Join this webinar to learn how to navigate the UAC application for uni entry in 2025.

Register for UAC webinar: ATAR to Uni Success – Applying to Uni with Ease

# Term 3

early August	All courses available  ■ All courses will be available to preference on your UAC application
August/ September	Uni open days ■ Talk directly to university staff and students and tour the campus at
	institutions you are interested in  Check upcoming dates on UAC's uni open days web page

16 September	Schools Recommendation Scheme closing date  Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) applications close at 11.59pm
30 September	Early bird applications close
	Apply and pay by 11.59pm on this date to avoid a substantial increase to the application processing charge
	If you're unsure about which courses to choose, you can change your preferences later

November	Entry scheme deadlines
	<ul> <li>If you've applied for SRS, finalise your UAC application preferences by 1 November. SRS conditional and unconditional offers will be released on 8 November</li> </ul>
	If you're submitting an <u>Educational Access Scheme</u> application, make sure you've submitted and uploaded your documents by 21 November so that it is considered in December Round 2 (first ATAR-based offers)
18 December	ATAR and HSC results released
	■ HSC results released by NESA at 6am
	■ View your ATAR on the UAC website from 9am
	■ Find out more about ATARs on our website
mid December	December Round 2 deadline  Log in to your application to change, remove or add preferences
late December	December Round 2 offers  First round of ATAR-based offers released
	<ul> <li>Accept your offer and remove it from your preferences: you can still receive offers in later offer rounds, even if you've already accepted a previous offer</li> </ul>
	■ Change your preferences for the next offer round
January to March 2024	Offer rounds continue
	January Round 1 offers, the second round of ATAR-based offers, released early January
	■ Institutions will continue to make offers until they have filled all places in their courses
	■ Most courses start between mid-February and early March

# How to Apply for University through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC)

The following website has helpful instructions... <u>Undergraduate applications and offers - UAC</u> and a 5 min video <a href="https://youtu.be/P-Y3UPW36qY">https://youtu.be/P-Y3UPW36qY</a>. (The video is yet to be updated for 2024 but is still helpful)

- 1. Visit the UAC page Homepage Universities Admissions Centre UAC
- 2. Click the 'Apply or log in' button at the top right and choose Undergraduate application.
- 3. Follow the prompts to start your application and enter your personal details. You will need your NESA student number and your UAC PIN (your PIN is to be emailed to you from UAC on 3 April). You will also need a Unique Student Identifier (USI) <a href="Homepage">Homepage</a> Unique Student Identifier (usi.gov.au)
- Respond to the questions asked and then enter up to five course preferences. You can use
  the UAC site to search for various University courses. <u>UAC Undergraduate course</u>
  search <u>University and College courses available</u>. Enter your preferences in priority
  order
- 5. Pay the UAC fee
- 6. If you change your mind about the courses you want to apply for, you can change your preferences for no cost but you need to do this before the various deadlines for each offer round. Generally for Year 12, offers begin in December but early entry offers can occur before this.



# Some special programs ... EAS, SRS and ES

The Educational Access Scheme (EAS) helps students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage gain admission to tertiary study. **Find out more about EAS** 

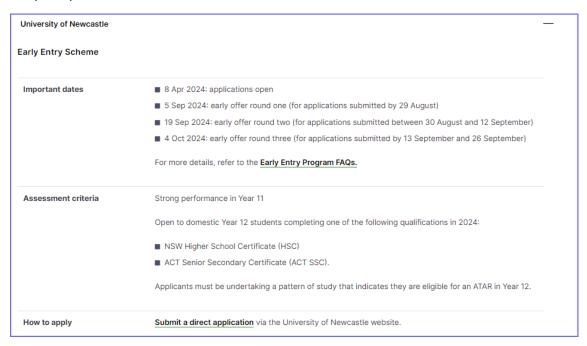
The Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) aims to help you access higher education through recommendations from your school. Unis use a wide range of selection criteria, including school recommendations, senior secondary studies and personal awards and achievements. **Find out more about SRS** 

Equity Scholarships (ES) help financially disadvantaged students with the general costs associated with tertiary study. By submitting just one application you'll be considered for all available Equity Scholarships for which you're eligible. **Find out more about ES** 

# **Early Entry Schemes**

Many institutions have one or more early offer schemes for Year 12 students. Through these schemes, the institutions will assess you using criteria other than (or in addition to) your ATAR. Always check the institution websites to make sure the courses you are applying for are covered by the schemes.

Information is available on the UAC website about Early Offer schemes... <u>Early offer schemes for Year 12 students - UAC</u> For example, information is shown below about the University of Newcastle early entry scheme



More information is generally available for early entry programs on each University's website.

**Pathway courses:** Note that there are pathway programs e.g. Newcastle's Open Foundation program. If you successfully complete a non-degree course, such as foundation studies, a preparatory course, or a certificate or diploma, a university may grant you entry into a degree. You may also be awarded credit for studies undertaken in your non-degree course. Some unis offer an even larger range of prep courses to help you move into your degree. **Contact the individual institutions** to get the most up-to-date information. **Other pathways to uni.** 

# **University Course Costs**

For domestic students, the amount you pay for your University course, depends on the type of course you study. There are two main types of courses for domestic students:

- Commonwealth-supported place (CSP)
- Domestic fee-paying (DFEE)

Students enrolled in a CSP course pay part of the cost of the course (a student contribution) and the Australian Government pays the remainder of the cost. As such, CSP courses typically cost less than equivalent DFEE courses.

The Australian Government classifies courses into funding clusters. The amount you pay is usually the maximum allowed by the government. Depending on the funding cluster your course is listed in, will determine the amount you need to pay each year. Student contributions can range from about \$4,500 to \$16,000 per year depending on the particular course you are studying.

To pay their student contribution, Australian citizens and holders of an Australian permanent humanitarian visa can either:

- pay the entire student contribution up-front,
- receive a HECS-HELP loan for all of the student contribution, or
- pay some of the student contribution up-front and receive a HECS-HELP loan for the balance.

Holders of an Australian permanent resident visa must pay all of the student contribution upfront.

All CSP students must submit a 'Request for Commonwealth support and HECS-HELP' form, regardless of their payment option (including upfront payers). The institution will give you the form.

You don't have to start repaying your HECS-HELP loan until your income reaches a certain level. Repayments are based on income and are made through the taxation system.

For more information, visit the Australian Government's Study Assist website.

# **General Financial Assistance**

The Australian Government provides financial help to eligible students through payments administered by Services Australia.

You may be able to get one of these main fortnightly payments:

- Youth Allowance, a payment for people aged 16 to 24 who are studying full time or doing a
  full-time Australian Apprenticeship. Some job seekers aged 16 to 21 can also access these
  payments
- **Austudy**, a payment for people aged 25 or over who are studying full time or doing a full-time Australian Apprenticeship
- **ABSTUDY**, a group of payments for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians studying or doing an Australian Apprenticeship. It can help with living costs, study costs and travel
- The Pensioner Education Supplement, a regular payment to help with study costs if students also get certain income support payments from Centrelink or the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

# If you're moving for study, you may also be able to get:

- the **Tertiary Access Payment**, a one-off payment of up to \$5,000 for people moving from a regional or remote area for tertiary study within the year directly after completing Year 12
- **Relocation Scholarship**, an annual payment to help students getting Youth Allowance or ABSTUDY who need to move to or from a regional or remote area for higher education study
- a **Fares Allowance** to help with the costs of travel for students who need to live away from their family home to study.

# You may also be able to get extra help, including:

- the Student Start-up Loan, a voluntary loan students getting Youth Allowance, Austudy or ABSTUDY Living Allowance can get up to twice a year. You have to pay the loan back once you start earning a certain amount of income
- the **Education Entry Payment** to help with the costs of study or training if you've been on certain payments from Services Australia
- other concessions and allowances such as a Health Care Card and Rent Assistance.

You can claim most payments online 13 weeks before your course starts using your myGov account linked to Centrelink.

To find out more about payment eligibility and how to claim, visit <u>Payments you can get for higher</u> education - Higher education - Services Australia .

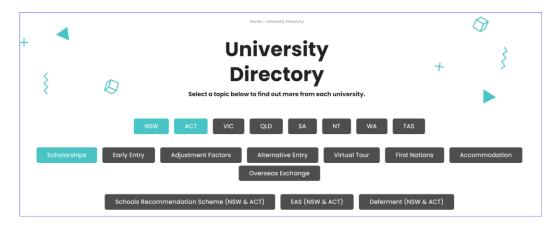
# **Scholarships**

Equity Scholarships assist financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education. Find out more and apply online. By submitting just one application through UAC you'll be considered for all available Equity Scholarships for which you're eligible at the participating institutions.

UAC's participating institutions offer a range of merit scholarships. **Find out more about what each institution offers.** Sroll to the lower right on each institution page to access the scholarships link.

By visiting the webpage of various Universities, you can also search for a scholarship that may be of interest to you e.g. University of Newcastle Scholarships / The University of Newcastle, Australia and Macquarie University Scholarships | Macquarie University Sydney (mg.edu.au)

The Job Jump careers resource has a section to help access information about scholarships. <u>JobJump - University Directory</u>. You may need to login to the Job Jump program to access this page. The password to create an account is 'finches'.



There are also industry type scholarships such as the Australian College of Nursing http://www.acn.edu.au/scholarships

There are currently many scholarships available to Australian students, across both the higher education and vocational sectors. Scholarships can cover an array of costs from tuition fees to living and accommodation costs

https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/scholarships



REMINDER - EXPERIENCE MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY DAYS

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Get a feel of what it's like to be at uni:

- attend taster lectures, interact with academics, current students and student groups
- get a feel of our campus and explore facilities including labs and learning spaces
- enjoy entertainment, giveaways and more!

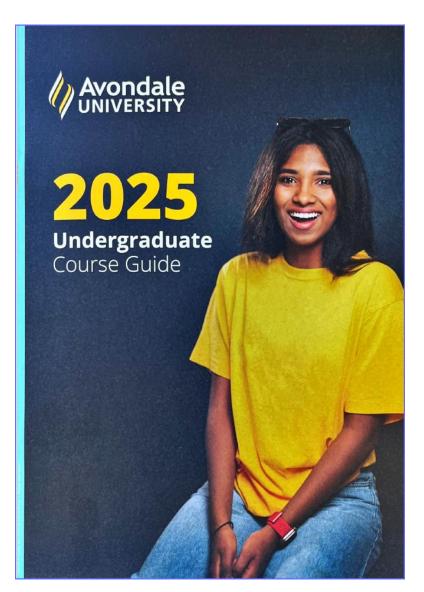
Find out more and register

# **AVONDALE UNIVERSITY TALK TO YEAR 12**

A representative from Avondale University spoke to Year 12 at their Year Meeting on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March. A variety of degree courses are offered though their campuses including Teaching and Nursing. Students were offered an Undergraduate Guide and heard about Scholarships and life on campus.

# MY CAREER MATCH CAREERS ACTIVITY WITH YEAR 10

Year 10 were given a Career Profile quiz to do on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March courtesy of the Avondale representative who visited on that day. The profile activity, *My Career Match*, provided feedback to students about their personal strengths and suggested corresponding careers that might be suitable for them. Avondale University covered the cost of the *My Career Match* report. Students received their report by email which can then be shown to parents.





### Essential advice for Year 11 students

### Dropping courses

Before you drop an HSC course at the end of Year 11, ask yourself the following questions:

Will you still be eligible for an ATAR?

To be eligible for an ATAR, NSW Year 12 students must satisfactorily complete at least 10 units of ATAR courses. These ATAR courses must include at least:



8 units from Category A courses



3 Board Developed courses of 2 units or greater



2 units of English



4 subject areas.

Within a subject area (eg mathematics) there may be a number of courses (eg Mathematics Standard 1, Mathematics Standard 2, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2). If you study, for example, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, English Advanced, English Extension 1, English Extension 2 and Biology you will not meet the four subjects requirement because you have only studied courses from three subject areas: mathematics, English and biology.

Also be careful if you change to English Studies or Mathematics Standard 1. These are Category B courses. Make sure you still have 8 units of Category A courses.

- Is it a prerequisite for a tertiary course you might want to study? Some institutions specify HSC courses you need to have completed in order to be offered a place in certain tertiary courses. If prerequisites exist, they are listed in the course descriptions on UAC's website.
- Is it assumed knowledge for a tertiary course you might want to study? Many institutions assume you have knowledge of specified HSC courses when you begin certain tertiary courses. If you haven't studied these HSC courses you can still be selected for the course but you may have some difficulty coping with your studies. Assumed knowledge is also listed in the course descriptions.

Don't think about how your courses are going to scale: you won't get a higher ATAR simply by studying, or not studying, a particular HSC course. The underlying principle of scaling is that you should be neither advantaged nor disadvantaged by choosing one HSC course over another.

# Accelerating courses

If you accelerate your studies by attempting an HSC course in Year 11, your scaled marks for that course will be calculated in the year you complete it and contribute to your ATAR the following year.

### Your Year 11 results

Your studies this year do matter. They are the foundation for your Year 12 courses. Also, if you apply for an early offer to university through the Schools Recommendation Scheme then the institutions will base part of their assessment on your Year 11 results. Early offer schemes run by individual institutions often assess your Year 11 results, too.

## What you can do now

- If you are thinking of studying a law degree at UNSW Sydney, you can sit the Law Admission Test (LAT) in Year 11 because the results are valid for two years. If you're not happy with your results, you can try again in Year 12. Read more at lat.acer.edu.au.
- It's a good idea to get to as many uni open days (virtual or on-campus) as you can before you make your final course preference decisions next year. Many are held on the same day or weekend, so take the opportunity to attend some open days while you're in Year 11.

Around 49% of HSC students do only 10 units in Year 12. The next most common pattern is 11 units (around 17%).



# **UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS**

University Open Days are a great opportunity to visit and hear directly from Universities about their course offerings and see their campus. Some Open dates are listed below. For additional information visit the UAC website <a href="Uni open days 2024 - UAC">Uni open days 2024 - UAC</a> or the particular University websites for those institutions you are interested in.

Central Coast Open Day – Ourimbah and Gosford: 17 August 2024  Newcastle Open Day – Callaghan and Newcastle City: 31 August 2024
Refer to the University of Newcastle open day web page for details.  Refer to the Notre Dame's Sydney events web page for up-to-date open day details.
Saturday 31 August 2024, 9am to 3pm  Refer to the University of Sydney open day web page for up-to-date open day details.
Saturday 31 August 2024, 9am to 3pm  Refer to the University of Technology Sydney open day web page for up-to-date details.
Refer to the <b>University of Wollongong open day web page</b> for up-to-date details.
Saturday 7 September 2024, 9am to 3pm  Refer to the the the UNSW open day page for up-to-date open day details.





# Open Day 2024 Saturday 10 August

### **INTERESTED IN LAW...?**

Law Student for a Day is a valuable experience for Year 12 students interested in studying Law. The program provides students with the opportunity to experience first-hand what it is like to study a Law degree at the University of Newcastle.

Throughout the day Year 12 students will hear from Academics and Law Students. Students will also learn about our pathways into Law and our Indigenous and Refugee Law Early Entry Schemes. As part of the day, students will attend a taster law class, participate in a mock trial/criminology activity, campus tour and will be provided morning tea during the Q&A session.

Year 12 students will be able to participate in the Law Student for a Day program on one of the following dates:

- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- Wednesday 29th May

Time: 8:30am - 2pm (Morning tea provided)

Location: NUspace City Campus (Hunter Street &, Auckland St, Newcastle NSW 2300)

Places in our Law Student for a Day program are limited. Please see Mr Russell by 5<sup>th</sup> April if you if you are interested in studying Law in 2025 and would like to attend this program.

We will do our best to accommodate all expressions of interest, however if the program is oversubscribed, we will develop a waitlist based on response order.

**UNSW NEWS** 

# Year 10 & 11 Experience Days

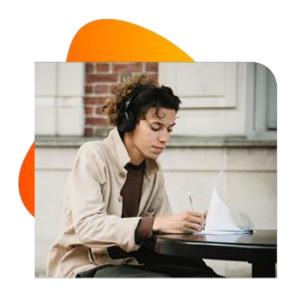
# 22 - 24 April | On Campus

Students from Year 10 and 11 are invited to join our campus for a day to experience life as a UNSW student. Students will get the chance to choose two workshops based on the study areas they're interested in, hear from academics and current students and explore our campus.

Places are limited, so we encourage students to register soon. Please note that students can only register for **ONE** of the three days.

Register here ightarrow

# **TORRENS UNIVERSITY NEWS**



# **Courses for today's industry**

As Torrens University continuously evolves, we're adding new courses and updating existing ones across our faculties: Business, Design and Creative Technology, Health and Hospitality.

Explore our diverse offerings, most of which don't require an ATAR.

**Explore courses** 

INTERESTED IN MEDICINE...? HERE IS SOME ADVICE FROM MEDENTRY

# WANT TO BE A DOCTOR? HERE'S 5 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

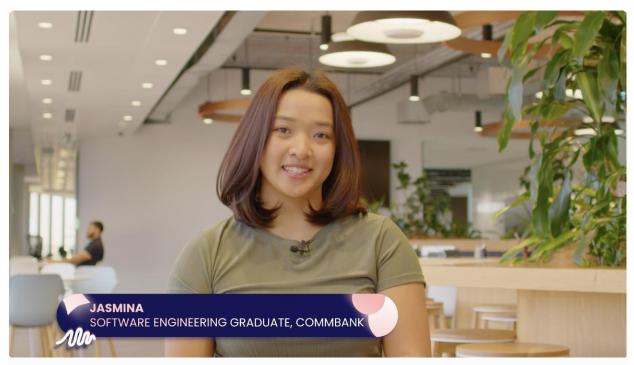
Want to be a doctor one day? There are a few things you should know before embarking on your journey



# Software Engineer

A Software Engineer, sometimes called a Software Developer or Computer Programmer, is someone who creates computer programs. They use code to design, build, test, troubleshoot and maintain computer software.

Check out our <u>Software Engineer Virtual Work Experience</u> to learn more about the role, daily tasks and responsibilities and pathways into this diverse career. <u>Click here</u> to download the offline version.



This experience is sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia

# Cyber Security Specialist

A cyber security specialist is someone who helps protect computer systems, networks, and data from cyber threats like hacking, viruses, and cyber attacks. They use their knowledge of computer systems and software to identify vulnerabilities and weaknesses in security protocols and develop strategies to prevent cyber attacks from occurring.

Check out our <u>Cyber Security Specialist Virtual Work Experience</u> to learn more about the role, daily tasks and responsibilities and pathways into this unique career. <u>Click here</u> to download the offline version.



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# **Data Scientist**

Data Scientists collect, clean, analyse and visualise data to help provide insights and advice for customers or businesses. All big decisions are powered by data, and modern organisations can collect millions of pieces of data every single. Data Scientists use this data to help make decisions and solve problems.

Check out our <u>Data Scientist Virtual Work Experience</u> to learn more about the role, daily tasks and responsibilities and pathways into this in-demand career. <u>Click here</u> to download the offline version.



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# **Network Engineer**

nbn network engineers help design, build and maintain Australia's largest infrastructure project; providing internet across the country. Whether you want to be hands-on and work outdoors or would prefer to work from an office, there are opportunities to suit both needs in this career path.

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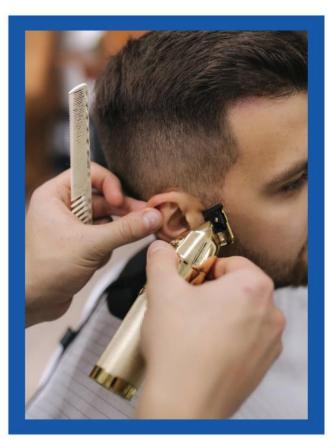
# JOB OPPORTUNITIES

# **Central Coast Group Training Opportunities**









# ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW CAREER?

If you'd like further information on the following jobs or would like to submit an application, click the below links.

Apprentice Glazier - https://adr.to/ezstuai

Apprentice Barber - <a href="https://adr.to/rohduai">https://adr.to/rohduai</a>

Civil Concreting Remediation Trainee - <a href="https://adr.to/fw2tsai">https://adr.to/fw2tsai</a>

### **GENERAL NEWS**

The following news items are sourced from Job Jump

# **UAC**

### **UAC Webinar - ATAR to Uni Success: Applying to Uni with Ease**

3 April

Join our webinar to learn how to navigate the UAC application for uni entry in 2025. Topics discussed include:

- ATAR calculation
- Application and offer timeline
- Explanation of 'Adjustment Factors' and 'Selection Ranks'
- How to effectively preference uni course

Our expert speakers will equip you with the knowledge and strategies to enhance your application and maximise your chances for success. Don't miss out on this opportunity to get ahead with your university applications.

https://uacdigital.easywebinar.live/Yr12-April-registration

# UAC 2024/25 Key Dates

3 April - Applications for 2025 open

3 April - Applications for EAS, Equity Scholarships and SRS Open

early August - All courses available to preference in UAC Application

16 September - Applications for SRS Close

30 September - Early bird application close

18 December - HSC & ATAR Results Released

mid December - December Round 2 Offer Deadline and released

2 January - January Round 1 preferences deadline

9 January - January Round 1 offers made

15 January - January Round 2 preferences deadline

22 January - January Round 2 offers made

7 February 2025 - Applications for Semester 1 2025 Close

# Year 12 Roadmap: from school to uni

To help you plan ahead, we've put together a high-level roadmap with key application, scholarship and early offer dates, plus a guide to handy info sessions and uni open days.

https://www.uac.edu.au/media-centre/news/year-12-roadmap

# Steps for Year 11 & 12 Students

Now that you're in Year 11 or 12, you're no doubt giving some thought to life after school. Of course, you might not be sure about what you want to do next. If that's the case, don't worry: you're not alone! Many Year 11 and 12 students are not sure of the path they want to follow.

This publication provides suggestions for researching your post-school options, outlines the process of applying to university through UAC, and explains the purpose of the ATAR and how applicants are selected for courses.

https://www.uac.edu.au/assets/documents/year-11-and-12/steps-to-uni-year-11-12.pdf

# **University - Institutes**

# **University of Wollongong College - Fitness Information Session**

23 April

Please join our upcoming information session to find out more about Fitness courses at UOW College. Who should attend?

Both new students interested in studying fitness and current fitness offer holders will find this session helpful.

During the online webinar we will cover information on:

- Vocational Fitness courses
- Flexible study options (on campus or distance)
- Entry requirements
- Course units of competency / subjects
- Course outcomes and progression to further study
- Career outcomes

https://uowcollege.swoogo.com/fitnessis

# University of Wollongong College - Online Pathways Information Session

11 April

Looking for a pathway to get into uni?

Use your time wisely and get started on your pathway to UOW.

UOW College offers pathway courses that can guarantee\* entry into a range of bachelor programs, some with direct entry into the second year. Please join us for our upcoming online info session to find out more about our range of courses, scholarships and how to apply. If you have already applied or received an offer, please come along and find out more about what to expect when classes commence, student support and a previous college students experience. Staff will be available on the night to answer your questions.

Want more information sooner? You do not have to wait for an information session to get personalised advice, please feel free to email us at uowca-future@uow.edu.au or phone us on (02) 42 392 330 to speak to a course expert

https://uowcollege.swoogo.com/pathway

# **Experience Macquarie Days**

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https://event.mq.edu.au/experience-macquarie

# **Upcoming Western Sydney Webinars**

Watch our webinars covering a range of individual study areas. Want to know more about careers and degrees in the fields of most interest to you? Not sure what subjects to select for your senior years? Let us support you to make informed decisions and discover more about why you should study at Western.

- Wednesday 3 April @ 5PM | What Can I Study? Teaching, Education
- Thursday 4 April @ 5PM | What Can I Study? International Studies, Tourism and Event Management, Humanitarian and Development Studies
- Tuesday 9 April @ 5PM | What Can I Study? Arts, Languages, Interpreting and Translation
- Wednesday 10 April @ 5PM | What Can I Study? Architecture, Industrial Design,
   Construction Management, Planning
- Thursday 11 April @ 5PM | What Can I Study? Medicine

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/student-life/events/western-webinars

# Western Sydney University - Unlocking Careers in Sport and Health

17 May

This on campus event for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander High School students in years 9-12, raises knowledge and aspiration for Careers in Sport and Health.

Students will participate in their choice of practical workshops, a Q&A Yarn Up with Indigenous industry professionals to gain insights into their work, education journey and careers.

All attendees will receive a free Western Sports Pack.

https://wsustudents.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_3kNxnByj952rcbk

# Reminder - University of Sydney Webinar - Year 10 subject selection

11 April

Join us online for a fun and informative session that's tailored for Year 10 students to help you navigate the subject selection process and prepare for your journey to university. Our expert staff, current University of Sydney students and a UAC representative will discuss important topics such as: what to consider when selecting your subjects for Year 11 and 12, the impact subject selection can have on adjustment factors, what the ATAR is and how it's calculated, prerequisites and assumed knowledge, tips for admission and scholarships, and key insights from our current students on their subject selection experiences and transition into university. The session will finish with a live Q&A. This webinar is suitable for current Year 10 students and both the parents/caregivers and teachers of Year 10 students.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_XcJ52ZgDRU-2d4PqRaa98A

# **Reminder - University of Sydney MySydney Entry and Scholarship Scheme** 9 April

Find out how you can enter your dream degree with the MySydney Entry and Scholarship Scheme for students residing in low socio-economic areas. Hear about the great benefits offered, including entry on a reduced ATAR, a \$8,500 per annum scholarship and a range of ongoing support throughout your studies. Find out what you need to know about eligibility criteria, how to apply, frequently asked questions and more!

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_h9bmDtvHSISXPTP6CGUONQ

# University of Sydney Regional and Remote Entry Scheme Webinar

9 April

Start planning your journey to university and find out how you can enter your dream degree with the Regional and Remote Entry Scheme for students who reside in regional or remote areas. Hear about the great benefits offered, including entry on a reduced ATAR and a range of ongoing support throughout your studies. Find out what you need to know about eligibility criteria, how to apply,

scholarships for regional students and more! https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_s9Fj\_dskQ5qtdEdb8byXwg

# **Studying Law at ANU**

11 April

Interested in law? Hear from staff and students from the ANU College of Law about our undergraduate program. You'll get more information about the degree options on offer, hear from students about their experiences, and get your questions answered directly by COL staff. https://study.anu.edu.au/studying-law-anu

# Studying Health Science, Medicine & Psychology at ANU

23 April

Interested in health science, medicine or psychology? Hear from staff and students from the ANU College of Health and Medicine about our undergraduate programs. You'll get more information about our different degrees on offer, hear from students about their experiences, and get your questions answered directly by CHM staff.

https://study.anu.edu.au/studying-health-science-medicine-psychology-anu

# **Studying Science at ANU**

30 April

Interested in science? Hear from staff and students from the ANU College of Science about our undergraduate programs. You'll get more information about our different degrees on offer, hear from students about their experiences, and get your questions answered directly by COS staff. https://study.anu.edu.au/studying-science-anu

# **Discover Teaching and Social Work at ACU Strathfield**

17 April

Take part in hands-on workshops, tour our facilities and hear from current students about a rewarding career as a teacher or social worker.

Learn about global study opportunities and why we are ranked 32nd in the world for education\*.

This event is designed for high school students in Years 10 to 12, however anyone, including parents and caregivers, is most welcome to attend.

Places are limited – be sure to register your attendance to guarantee your spot.

https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2024/april/discover-teaching-and-social-work-at-acu-strathfield

# **ACU - Talk with Occupational Therapists and Speech Pathologists**

18 April

Join us online to hear from ACU alumni about life after university. Take part in a Q&A session with our graduates and get an insider's perspective on working in occupational therapy and speech pathology. https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2024/april/talk-with-occupational-therapists-and-speech-pathologists

# **CSU Dubbo Experience Day**

21 May

Get hands-on at our Dubbo campus, where you'll get to take a closer look at different course areas, chat with current students and lecturers, and get one-on-one advice from experienced professionals. https://web.cvent.com/event/d4176481-4d8e-4f56-8d37-dade7e278322/regProcessStep1

# **University - General**

# Applying and studying in the UK

What it's like to study in the UK as an international student, and how to apply to a UK university. The UK is one of the world's most popular destinations for international students. As of academic year 2020/1, more than 600,000 international students had enrolled to study in the UK. Of these, more than 150,000 are from the EU. You have a choice of more than 140 universities and other higher education institutions. Each offers a range of qualifications recognised around the world. Tuition fees vary between institutions. Since Brexit, most EU and EEA nationals are no longer eligible for home fee status unless they're from Ireland or are already living in the UK and registered under the EU Settlement Scheme. You'll need to be aware of visa conditions, English language requirements, and work permit restrictions. Find out more on the UK Government website. Use this guide as well as other information and advice found across our website. Our UK university rankings are a good place to start. https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/student-advice/where-to-study/studying-in-the-uk

# Accelerate your SAT / ACT

While the US application process is a holistic one with admissions officers taking into account the various aspects of your Common Application, your SAT and/or ACT and SAT Subject Test results often act as deciding factors as to whether or not your application is given a thorough read by an admissions officer.

https://www.crimsoneducation.org/au/our-services/sat-act/

# **University of Melbourne - Colleges Open House**

11 May

Register to tour our ten Residential Colleges and visit the University during Open House on Saturday 11 May 2024. Each College has its own unique community spirit to explore and offers a supportive environment that will help you to make lifelong friends, build lasting connections, further your academic pursuits and experience unique opportunities.

Each College will be running tours continuously throughout the afternoon on a regular basis. Please register and select which Colleges you intend to visit. You can also register for our general information session at 12noon or 3.30pm

https://www.colleges.unimelb.edu.au/open-house-2024/

# **Bond University Student for a Semester program**

Applications Close 26 April

Go behind the scenes of the university experience before you make that all-important decision with our Student for a Semester program. While there's a whole host of great ways to explore your uni options while you're still in high school, nothing beats living it – attending classes, connecting with your peers, and completing real assessments and exams.

The Student for a Semester program gives high-achieving students enrolled in Year 11 or 12 at an Australian High School, the opportunity to gain an authentic university experience before finishing high school. You'll enrol in a Bond University subject and study in-person at our Gold Coast campus alongside university students. The Student for a Semester program will not only leave you with newfound knowledge about study and life at Bond, but you'll also gain a deeper understanding of the university experience, and a potential credit towards your future university degree at Bond. One of the best parts of the Student for a Semester experience is getting to dive right into the study area that interests you, with subjects ranging from architecture to actuarial science and everything in between. Explore an area that relates to your Year 11 or 12 subjects and your future university degree – this could be your chance to gain valuable experience in a lab ahead of commencing biomedical science, or to learn more about fundamental legal principles in prep for the Bachelor of Laws. Think of the Student for a Semester experience as a way to accelerate your knowledge and get a leg up before beginning uni, giving you the confidence you need to excel at your tertiary studies. A dream come true!

https://bond.edu.au/study/experience-bond-for-yourself/high-school-student-experiences/student-for-a-semester

### Sleek Geeks Science Eureka Prize

Closes 12 April

The 2024 University of Sydney Sleek Geeks Science Eureka Prize will be awarded for a short (2-minute) film that communicates a scientific concept in an accessible and engaging way.

The theme for 2024 is 'Energy.'

Communicating scientific ideas and discoveries to the world is a tricky task. Each year, Dr Karl Kruszelnicki (Julius Sumner Miller Fellow at the University of Sydney) and Adam Spencer (Mathematics and Science Ambassador) enlighten thousands of Australians with their knowledge and communication of science.

This film competition encourages school students to communicate a scientific concept in a way that is accessible and entertaining to the public while painlessly increasing their science knowledge or, as Dr Karl and Adam like to say, "Learn something without even noticing". It is intended to support budding young scientists across the nation, who will be our future leaders in research, discovery and communication.

https://australian.museum/get-involved/eureka-prizes/enter/sleek-geeks-science-eureka-prize/

# **TAFE**

# **TAFE Digital Has Options For You**

Browse our online courses TAFE Digital offers a wide range of nationally recognised, online study options, across a range of modern industries. You can study online and enjoy flexible learning to fit your lifestyle, with our online short courses, certificates, diplomas, and degrees. https://www.tafensw.edu.au/digital

### **Short Course - Barista Essentials**

6 April or 1 June

Whether you're searching for your first barista job, or you're an existing cafe employee looking to improve your skills and gain a nationally recognised statement of attainment - this is the course for you! Offered at the Macarthur Centre for Sustainable Living, this course teaches you the skills required to be a great barista with a twist. As well as learning all about making great coffee, you will learn how to do it in an environmentally friendly way, so that we can all enjoy coffee for many years to come! https://mttec.com.au/course/?code=MCSL&plan=161

# **Short Course - Tourism Taster**

Macarthur Tourism, Travel & Events College (MTTEC) is offering this bespoke tourism course to give you a taste of what the industry is like. It will introduce you to the day-to-day practices and give you a taste of the training required, as well as highlight the career opportunities ahead. https://mttec.com.au/course/?code=SC004&plan=82

# **NECA Electrical Apprenticeships**

18 April

NECA Training and Apprenticeships will be having an open day on 18th April 2024 at our Centre of Excellence in Chullora in Sydney.

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# **Private Colleges**

### **National Art School HSC Intensive Studio Practice**

**Applications Close 12 April** 

The NAS HSC Intensive Studio Practice program is a great opportunity for Year 11 Visual Arts students who are passionate about art and want to take their skills to the next level in the HSC and beyond. Endorsed by the NSW Education Standards Authority, the HSC Intensive has been offered since 2000 to students in both government and non-government high schools.

The HSC intensive is unique as it is taught by professional artists who know what it takes to succeed. Students get to work in professional art studios, enhance their skills and build up their art portfolio. It's not just about learning, as it's also a chance to meet other art-loving students from all over the state. To apply for the course, you need to be a high achiever in your Preliminary Visual Arts Course and show that you're serious about your studies. You also need an endorsement from your Visual Arts teacher. https://futurestudents.nas.edu.au/hsc-intensive-studio-practice/

# **AFTRS Short Course - Writing at TV Series**

**Enrolment Closes 8 April** 

Learn the fundamentals of creating viable and original TV drama and comedy series concepts in this ten-week 100% online course. This course will guide you through the process of concept creation – from idea inception to concept presentation.

https://www.aftrs.edu.au/short-course/writing-a-tv-series-online/

# **Sydney Design School Interior Decoration Workshop**

17-18 April

Be inspired. Be creative. If you love interiors magazines and beautifully styled spaces, this fun two day workshop is for you. It's perfect for any interiors enthusiast who wants to decorate their home with skill and confidence. Perhaps you're considering a career in interiors? This beginners workshop will give you a taste of the Certificate IV in Interior Decoration course and you'll get a feel for our School and the passion of our Educators.

Get hands on as you learn how to put together a full interior decoration scheme for a living space in your own home. Plan the layout, select furniture and lighting, explore colour schemes and create a sample board of your ideas. This course is held four times a year in the School holidays in January, April, July and September/October. You can also study online with our partner Interior Design Online here.

https://sydneydesignschool.com.au/workshop/

# **Sydney Design School Info Session**

3 & 13 April

Find out everything you need to know about our flexible courses and career support. Our Director, Amanda Grace will introduce you to our unique philosophy, passionate Educators and industry focused approach to learning.

https://sydneydesignschool.com.au/information-sessions/

# **ICMS Year 10 Subject Selection Night**

23 May

ICMS Is Pleased to Announce Its First-Ever Year 10 Subject Selection Evening! ICMS invite parents, teachers, and students in Year 10 to join us at this information session to help students to navigate the High School Certificate (HSC) subject selection process. https://www.icms.edu.au/event/year-10-Subject-Selection-Evening/

# A Taste of Le Cordon Bleu Sydney

30 May

You are invited to a Taste of Le Cordon Bleu Sydney to spend an evening with our chefs and students who will showcase their skills, give you an insight into the food, wine and gastronomy business, and reveal how you could be a part of this global enterprise.

Indulge in a taste of French culture as our world-class chefs and lecturers demonstrate their expertise and the unique learning experiences offered at Le Cordon Bleu.

Join us for a special evening to inspire your culinary arts dream.

https://www.cordonbleu.edu/sydney/taste-of-lcb/en

# **Torrens University Virtual Open Day**

7-9 May

Ready for the next step on your career journey? Join us online as our academics talk you through the courses on offer and how you can get the most out of studying with us. Learn about scholarships, internships and what sets us apart from other universities.

https://www.torrens.edu.au/whats-on/open-day/virtual-open-day

# General

# A Day in the Life of a Dentist

Obviously dentists perform oral health examinations which involve a "scale and clean." However, there is a lot more to it than that. Melbourne dentist Viet Nguyen has shared his views on "a day in the life of a dentist." Dr William Ha shares insights on what a dentist does during a routine consultation: https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/dentistry/a-day-in-the-life-of-a-dentist-by-viet-nguyen/

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https://www.myhealthcareer.com.au/dentistry-career/

# **ATAR Notes - Free Online HSC Lectures**

8-25 April

Join thousands of students that tune in to our online lectures.

Sessions in this series cover a huge range of subjects. You can register now for all available sessions - don't miss out!

Our legendary lectures, delivered by elite past students, can give you a huge advantage going into Term 2.

Lectures for subjects, including:

- English (Advanced/Standard)
- Mathematics (Standard, Standard 2, Advanced, Extension 1, Extension 2)
- PDHPE
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Physics
- Legal Studies
- Business Studies
- Economics
- Studies of Religion

Along with lectures for Year 9 & 10 subjects, information from universities and about UCAT! https://atarnotes.com/lectures/nsw

### What will the workforce of the future look like?

It is no secret that the job paths and skills of young Australians are about to experience significant change, moving away from routine, manual tasks into a world of automation and critical innovation. This great shift in the working order has seen a change in priorities both at work and in career trajectories, with an increasing number of young people being left behind as the working world moves forward. We will be increasingly focused on some tasks, while others are projected to occupy less of our time. It is also estimated that there will be greater opportunities for career variance, with workers becoming less likely to progress up the ranks in one job. So, what is in store for the workforce of the future?

https://australiancareersservice.com.au/industry-news/what-will-the-workforce-of-the-future-look-like

# **Sydney Writers Festival - Secondary School Days**

20 May - Chatswood (Concourse)

21 May - Sydney (Sydney Town Hall)

23 May - Parramatta (Riverside Theatre)

Learn from some of the world's most exciting literary talents

Over four presentations, students will be inspired and challenged through thoughtful discussion of literature and ideas. Authors will share insights into the writing process, invite students to consider new perspectives, and encourage them in their own creative pursuits.

Four esteemed young adult authors come together to share insights behind their work. Featuring master of action and suspense, Jack Heath, Young People's Poet Laureate and Carnegie Medal award winner, Elizabeth Acevedo, First Nations author and Fulbright Scholar, Graham Akhurst, and *New York Times* bestselling fantasy author, C.S. Pacat.

Secondary School Days is programmed with students in Years 7 to 10 in mind but is suitable for all high-school students.

https://www.swf.org.au/education/secondary-school-days

# **Sydney Writers Festival - Student Sessions**

22 May - Carriageworks

Student Sessions is a full-day program of engaging and lively discussions linked directly to the Stage 6 NSW English syllabus.

This is a unique opportunity to hear directly from the authors of prescribed texts and to learn writing skills from some of the world's most esteemed writers.

In 2024, there are two strands of sessions on offer, with each session running for 45 minutes. You can create your own schedule, combining sessions from either strand. The TEXT FOCUS series is an in-depth discussion of a particular work with either the creator(s) or a dedicated expert. THE CRAFT OF WRITING sessions are deep dives into the craft of writing with experts in different forms. These latter sessions complement both the Craft of Writing modules and the English Extension 2 course. All sessions will be moderated by highly experienced secondary school educators.

Recommended for Years 10 to 12.

https://www.swf.org.au/education/student-sessions

# **Indigenous Scholarships Portal**

Welcome to the Indigenous Scholarships Portal. Here you will find a list of scholarships available for Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander students of, or currently studying at, universities, TAFEs or registered training organisations (RTO's). The Indigenous Scholarships Portal is delivered by the Aurora Education Foundation.

https://aurorafoundation.com.au/our-work/indigenous-pathways-portal/scholarships/

# **Apply for the Aurora Internship Program**

Applications for Winter 2024 Close 31 March

The Internship Program continues to focus on supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander\* students and graduates via internships as pathways to jobs in Indigenous organisations and other organisations working in the Indigenous sector. We are also able to place Indigenous interns at a wide range of organisations, outside of the sector, so long as the placements are relevant to candidates' study and career aspirations.

The Commonwealth's Culture and Capability Programme will provide financial support via Scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander interns under the Program. https://aurorafoundation.com.au/our-work/internship-program/internships-application-form/

# The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award - Doing the Award

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is an internationally recognised program for young people, building their skills to equip them for life and work. By creating opportunities for young people to develop skills, get physically active, give service and experience adventure, the Award can play a critical role in their development. The Award is a leading structured (non-formal education) youth development program, empowering all young Australians aged 14-24. https://dukeofed.com.au/about/

# **Practice Tests for Cabin Crew Entrance Used by International Airlines**

Are you fully prepared for the cabin crew recruitment process? At most airline's, long gone are the days where you could simply turn up at an Open Day and hope the recruiter liked the look of you. Nowadays, you have to submit a detailed online application including a bespoke resume or CV to stand a chance. Luckily, we've sat through many of these online cabin crew exams and know exactly what international airlines are testing candidates on. With that knowledge, we've created a series of bespoke practice tests to help you prepare for the cabin crew application tests. And the best bit? — they're completely free!

https://www.paddleyourownkanoo.com/2017/09/29/practice-tests-popular-cabin-crew-entrance-exams-used-international-airlines/

# ATAR Calculator from InspirED

See what marks you need to reach your HSC potential Marks to ATAR - Enter your subject marks to see your predicted ATAR ATAR to Marks - Enter your target ATAR to see what subject marks you need https://inspired.edu.au/atar/

# Five tips for study success

International students are often worried about adjusting to a new education system, and many are afraid that they will not achieve their academic goals while settling into life in a different country. If you share these concerns, read through our five tips before you begin classes.

https://www.studiesinaustralia.com/Blog/study-tips/five-tips-for-study-success

# **Commonly Asked Interview Questions**

What are some of the most commonly asked job interview questions and how should you answer them? Here's what the experts have to say. Job interviews often follow a common pattern. Many of the same questions come up again and again. If you know what those questions are, you can prepare for an interview by coming up with ways to answer them. You could also practise your answers before an interview.

https://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/jobs-and-careers/job-interviews/what-are-some-common-interview-questions

# **HSC Preparation Courses - April 2024**

Are you nervous about tackling the HSC? Take it from us – every successful HSC begins with preparation. And now, our team of experienced educators have got you covered, with a comprehensive program of over 60 HSC preparation courses.

Led by our highly experienced team of educators, each intensive course is tailored around a critical aspect of the HSC curriculum and offers up-to-date subject knowledge and skills. These intensive holiday courses are perfect for consolidating your school studies and developing key subject knowledge that'll give you an edge when it comes time to sit your exams. Plus, our expert tutors will teach you examination skills designed to invigorate and challenge your approach to the test material.

With an incredible array of courses available, you can choose which area you'd like to focus and attend just that course, or sign up for multiple courses to get comprehensive support across an entire HSC subject.

So don't hesitate! Our HSC preparation short courses are open to everyone. Sign up today and get your HSC year off to the best start possible.

https://cce.sydney.edu.au/courses/hsc-preparation

# National Institute of Education Residential Academic Insights Summer Program

5-15 January 2025

This immersive Academic Insights summer programme provides ambitious high school students from around the world with an unrivalled experience studying undergraduate-level subjects at the University of Sydney.

In enrolling in this programme, you'll benefit from expert teaching, blended with admissions sessions and essential skill development. Each subject follows a specifically-designed summer school syllabus combining theoretical knowledge with practical application.

Available subjects:

- Medicine
- Engineering
- Business Management
- Creative Writing
- Psychology
- Veterinary Studies

https://www.niecareers.com.au/academic-insights

### **STEM + Business Role Models**

Want to work for yourself? Some of the most impactful entrepreneurs started their business in STEM: think SpaceX, Google and WiFi! Meet some of them here! Scroll for STEM + Business role models and mentors.

https://careerswithstem.com.au/business-computer-science-degree/

# 5 fun maths and data quizzes

Considering dropping maths as soon as you can? Before you subtract it from your life completely, consider the pluses that it'll have when applying for uni or acing your first gig. Loads of uni courses include standard Year 12 maths as a prerequisite, not to mention the fun, exciting – and surprising – careers that use numbers every day.

https://careers with stem.com.au/5-fun-maths-and-data-quizzes/

# Study better with these tips

You're staring at the page, but nothing is going in. You need to learn this information, but you can't seem to put your mind to it. Here are some ways to study smarter, not harder. https://www.uow.edu.au/the-stand/2022/how-to-improve-concentration-.php

# 3 In Demand Degrees For The Future

When you think about the future, do you imagine what our healthcare, transport, retail, finance, and lifestyle experiences will be like? In all of these areas, it's our future engineering and IT leaders who will help solve problems and create new realities.

Your future could involve finding a co-founder to help you build the next big Australian tech startup, engineering innovative flight components for space travel, or helping deliver the next breakthrough in renewable energy.

But to get there, you'll need the training and networks to help propel you to the next level.

Australia's top-ranked young university, UTS, offers undergrad degrees in three rapidly growing STEM career areas

https://careerswithstem.com.au/3-hot-degrees-for-the-future

# Le Cordon Bleu Culinary Adventure Camp

16-17 April

Calling all budding chefs! Le Cordon Bleu Sydney is turning up the heat this April with its inaugural Culinary Adventure Camp. Over two, fun-filled days, high school students are invited to show off their kitchen skills and craft delectable dishes, guided by our expert teaching chefs.

Students will be able to choose whether they wish to participate in one, or both days. Plus, gain an insight into the world of Le Cordon Bleu with a campus tour to finish the adventure.

All tools will be provided – just bring your passion and energy for culinary arts, and we'll take care of the rest!

https://www.cordonbleu.edu/sydney/culinary-adventure-camp/en