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UAC Digital: How to review your UAC application following your ATAR result

17 December



Demystify the impact of your ATAR on your uni application. Whether you're fine-tuning your course preferences or contemplating your next steps if you receive an offer, this session is your roadmap to success.

UAC Dates - December

- 5 December January Round 1 Application Deadline
- 5 December December Round 1 Offers Released
- 18 December ATARs Released
- 18 December Deadline to change preferences for December Round 2
- 23 December December Round 2 Offers Released
- 23 December SRS Conditional offers converted to unconditional offers

University - Institutes

Macquarie Uni - Explore Your Options Event

17-21 December

For graduating Year 12 students - have all your questions answered at Macquarie University's Explore Your Options. Receive personalised advice through 1:1 consultations and discover our cutting-edge facilities and stunning grounds on a campus tour. Experience our exclusive extended access day on ATAR release day (Wednesday 18 December) for extra support and to discover your pathway to success.

<u> Macquarie Uni - Personal Consults</u>

Book a 30-minute phone or Zoom consultation with one of our expert student advisors. This is your opportunity to talk through your individual circumstances and ask any questions you may have. You can ask about our courses, get help with understanding entry criteria, or simply find out more about university life. Book a consult to help troubleshoot any questions you have about your study options for next year.

Macquarie Uni - Campus Tours

Book a tour of Macquarie's Wallumattagal campus in North Ryde. You'll be guided by one of our current students who will be happy to answer questions. Visit facilities such as:

- our various lecture theatres
- our award-winning library (subject to capacity)
- our new learning and teaching spaces in 1 Central Courtyard
- our flexible and creative study spaces
- the Sport and Aquatic centre
- the Central Courtyard, where you can explore the many dining options

Western Sydney University - December True Reward Deadline

Closes 11 December for Round 3

Our HSC True Reward early offer program will give school leavers much needed peace of mind, providing students with an early offer into most university degrees based on their Year 11* or Year 12 results.

The HSC True Reward program is open to both domestic and international NSW HSC students.

If you are a year 12 HSC student and have selected eligible course preferences, you will automatically be considered for a HSC True Reward early offer.

The College of Western Sydney University

Focus on one course-specific subject at a time, over 4 weeks, in smaller interactive classes. Our programs give you the flexibility and support to craft your future. Whether you aspire to pursue further study or land the job of your dreams, The College at Western sets you on a path to success.

<u>Western Sydney University - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway Program January Assessment</u> <u>Dates</u>

Upcoming Dates for 20-24 January, Venue TBA

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pathway Entry Program is an alternative University Entry Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Applicants can gain entry to any undergraduate degree at Western Sydney University by completing our entry assessment and be supported throughout your education journey.

To gain entry to your dream degree, you are required to complete an Entry Assessment. The entry assessment includes a short essay and comprehension task. If your preferred degree requires numeracy, you will also be required to complete a short numeracy assessment. We provide you with access to online resources and practice tests, to help you get prepared.

<u>University of Sydney - Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Medicine Assessment Dates</u>

15 December - last day to add degree to preferences for first round of assessment

19 December - In-person assessment day 1

13 January - last day to add degree to preferences for second round of assessment

20 January - In-person assessment day 2

Note: assessment dates and assessment modes are not negotiable and eligible candidates must attend the first assessment day after the release of their ATAR (or other secondary education qualification) results.

University of Sydney Portfolio Submission Pathways for Architecture - Round 2 Closes 8 Decmeber

Round 2 Closes 8 December

Round 3 will open 16 December and close 5 January If you didn't quite get the required ATAR, you can apply for entry into one of our undergraduate degrees with a portfolio that shows your design skills and creativity.

The portfolio submission is a potential way for you to gain entry into our programs if you achieved close to the required ATAR (or equivalent). In conjunction with the HSC and other formal assessment systems, it assists the University to identify students with the potential to excel in architecture or design computing. If you are expecting to receive an ATAR of up to five points lower than or roughly around the ATAR for your preferred course, we encourage you to apply by submitting a portfolio.



Introduction to Devising Theatre For HSC Group Performance



12-14 February

Seymour welcomes back experienced workshop facilitators, Little Eggs Collective, to our 2025 Arts Education program, for one week of intensive workshops, designed as a structured introduction to the devising process for the HSC group performance. Students will cover four key areas:

- Operating as an ensemble
- · Celebrating your skill set and embracing improvisation
- · Making meaning using the elements of drama
- Forming a structure (using the "big six" as a basic structure)

University of Sydney Info Day

18 December

Visit us on campus from 1 pm on ATAR release and close of preferences day. Attend information sessions, take a campus tour, talk to our team about admission pathways, and have your degree-specific questions answered by our academics.



University of Sydney - Parents and caregivers webinar

16 December

On December 18, 2024, ATAR release and UAC preferences will coincide, creating a unique decision-making challenge for school leavers. Join our webinar to understand these changes and discover how you can support your child in preparing for different outcomes. Learn strategies to empower your child's future and maximise their options for university study in 2025.

University of Sydney Webinar - UAC preferencing: Your guide to admissions

December 18

Join us for an insightful session where we'll explain how UAC preferences and offers work, detailing the entire process from ATAR release through to the completion of all offer rounds for Semester 1, 2025. Discover how to confidently prioritise your preferences and navigate the UAC offer rounds to maximise your chances of receiving an offer to your dream degree.



University of Sydney Campus Tours



11 December - Business and Economics Faculty Tours

- 12 December Architecture and Design Faculty Tours
- 13 December Medicine and Health Faculty Tours
- 14 December Science Faculty Tours
- 16 December Arts and Law Faculty Tours
- 17 December Engineering Faculty Tours

Join our knowledgeable Student Ambassadors for a guided campus tour highlighting the most iconic spots on our beautiful grounds.

At the end of the 30-minute general tour, you'll have the option to participate in a faculty-specific tour to explore our dedicated teaching spaces. This segment will be led by a Student Ambassador from the faculty, giving you the chance to ask them anything about their student experience.

UTS - Admission Pathways

Admissions pathways are an alternative way to be considered for entry into a course, using criteria other than an ATAR.



UTS Info Day



18 December

Info Day is your chance to explore your course and pathways options. Speak 1-1 with UTS staff, attend an info session or join a campus tour to discover more about your options at UTS.

ACU Change of Preference Event and Campus Tours

17 and 18 December

Blacktown, North Sydney and Strathfield Campuses Attend a guided campus tour to explore what ACU has to offer, and to discuss your study options and pathways to ACU. Places are limited so register early to avoid disappointment.



CSU StudyLink - Get Ready for Study in Your Degree

We want you to succeed at uni from day one. That's why we created Study Link.

Study Link offers short, self-paced subjects that get you ready for your degree – whatever you're studying. Plus, they're 100 per cent free for most Australian residents.

Delivered online with support from a subject coordinator, Study Link subjects don't count towards your degree – so there's no pressure. They're here to help you fill knowledge gaps, enhance skills and build confidence in areas like writing, maths, stats and science.

So, don't stress about not having all the study skills you need to start your degree. Study Link will get you sorted before class starts!

Notre Dame Info Day 2024

18 December

This event is your key to starting your university journey in 2025 with confidence. Whether you're a high school student, a university graduate, or an international student, this is your chance to experience life at Notre Dame. You will have the opportunity to speak one-to-one with faculty staff, receive personalised assistance and advice on your pathway to university, and discuss your study options. For those who have already applied to Notre Dame, our student advisors and admission officers will be available to guide you to the next stage of your Notre Dame journey ahead of Semester 1 commencement.

UNSW Parents Info Evening 2024: Navigating UAC and offers





Empower yourself to support your childon their journey to university.

Through Parents Info Evening, you'll understand your teen's options and learn how to provide the support they need to navigate their decision. The livestream will cover:

- Guiding your child through UAC preferences, the offer and admission process, and the support available to them
- · How your child can make the most of their uni experience
- Live Q&A: get your questions answered and understand what other parents and caregivers are curious about

UNSW Info Day

18 December

Finalise your path to UNSW with confidence.

Get personalised advice and insights before you finalise your UAC preferences at UNSW Info Day. With ATARs released at 9am and UAC's change of preferences deadline at midnight, this is your opportunity to get all your last minute questions answered. Explore your study options, tour our campus, and chat with academics and current students, so you can feel confident in your choice.



Get a taste of life as a UNSW student:

- Attend lectures on your area of interest
- Explore UNSW on a campus tour
- Chat with academics and current students in our advisory zones

University - General

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pharmacy Scholarship Scheme

Closes 31 January

The 2025 annual scholarship round opened on 1 November 2024 and closes on 31 January 2025.

Applicants are advised that funding is only confirmed for one year, with a value of up to \$15,000.

The aim of this scholarship scheme is to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to undertake undergraduate or graduate entry studies in pharmacy at an Australian university.

A guide on changing preferences for Australian universities

If you didn't have your head on straight while choosing your uni preferences, we've got good news – it's ok to change your mind, and it could mean finding your perfect degree

Have a question about changing preferences that an internet search won't solve? Here, we hash out in-depth information on ATARs and receiving and deferring offers.

So, why would you want to change your preferences?

Degree Costs Fee Structure and Loans

There are countless things to think about when you start sorting through your study options: the course you want to do and where you want to do it, just to name a couple. But what about the cost of your course? In the same way as it is helpful to understand the structure of your program and its graduate opportunities, it also helps to know exactly where you stand on the costs front. The cost of your education and how you pay for it vary depending on a few factors, which will be explained below.

Why choose a Double Degrees?

If you're looking at courses, you've probably heard of double degrees and know (roughly) what they involve. But why would you choose one? Find out three of the most common reasons. Some universities offer their own combinations; others may allow you to choose a combination of your choice. Keep in mind, too, that double degrees are not just the domain of undergraduate study.

MedEntry UCAT Prep MedEntry Medical Interview Strategy Day with Dr Ray

Upcoming Dates on 18 December

Learn the strategies needed to succeed in a day long session with Dr Ray Boyapati, Consultant Gastroenterologist with 20 years' experience in medical interview training. This will be followed by full length mock interview with comprehensive feedback.

University of Melbourne Accommodation - 2025 applications open

Explore our trusted University accommodation options. Designed for University of Melbourne students, find quality and secure accommodation made for their needs and success. Rooms are still available for students wishing to apply.



TAFE

1300Apprentice Early Offer Trainee Intake 2025, Sydney, NSW



Imagine learning while earning a full-time wage, gaining hands-on experience in a real work environment, and achieving recognised qualifications—all without the burden of student debt.

At 1300apprentice, we have some of the best host employers in their industries looking for motivated trainees ready to start in 2025.

You will be employed through 1300apprentice and paid while you undertake a certificate through an accredited Registered Training Organisation while you learn on-the-job skills in your chosen vocation.

Get in early to secure your early offer traineeship and finish your HSC, knowing that you have your career ready and waiting for you.

We offer traineeships opportunities in:

- Administration: Business, Accounts Administration, HR, Medical Administration, Marketing, Customer Engagement
- IT: Certificate III & IV in Networking, Programming
- Transport & Logistics: Warehousing, Supply Chain Operations
- Automotive: Sales Administration, Marketing.

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- · Horticulture: Landscaping, Parks & Gardens, Retail Nursery, Sports Turf Management, Arboriculture
- Electrical: Electrical, Instrumentation & Control, Air-conditioning & Refrigeration, Telecommunications, Electronics, Security Equipment
- Engineering: Fabrication, Boiler making, Fitter/Machinist, Sheet Metals, Mechanical
- Automotive: Light Vehicle, Heavy Vehicle, Spare Parts, Spray Painting, Panel Beating, Motorcycle
- Construction: Carpentry, Shopfitting, Cabinetmaking, Signs & Graphics, Printing, Painting.

TAFE NSW Student Services

When you study at TAFE NSW, you're never alone. You can get help and assistance with nearly every aspect of your study life - from study support and student resources, to counselling, guidance, and help finding jobs or accommodation. TAFE NSW provides support services across our locations and online. Whatever your needs or circumstances, we have the people, the resources, the counselling and the facilities to help you focus on your studies and training.

Brickies – Apprenticeships Here

Offer you the opportunity to study and earn an income while undertaking a qualification. It gives you the chance to learn new skills while getting paid. It can be done full-time or while you are at school through a School Based Apprenticeship. You can use your qualification to work anywhere in Australia and around the world.



TAFE NSW Information Sessions

Join us online or at your nearest participating campus, and discover how TAFE NSW can help you get the skills you need for the job you want. Registrations are mandatory. Get in quick to secure your seat today.

Campus Open Day 2025 - TAFE NSW Cooma

30 January

Whether you're a school leaver, want to build new skills to land a promotion, are thinking about a career change, or just looking for some essential skills that can help to successfully launch your business – this event is the time to explore all your options.

This is your opportunity to tour our campus, find out what support looks like or if you're still choosing your course or where to study, come along and have a chat to our TAFE NSW teachers.

Our team will also be on hand to answer questions about studying with TAFE NSW while at school or the many post school pathways on offer.

Ready to enrol? We can help finalise your enrolment or have a chat about the services available to you at TAFE NSW Cooma.

Campus Open Day 2025 - TAFE NSW Moss Value

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TAFE Career Guide 2025

TAFE's Career Guide for 2025 is now available. Check out the wide range of courses TAFE has on offer.

Private Colleges

Affordable Tuition Fee for Business Students and Computing at MIT Sydney

Find out everything you need to know about your course fees, other related fees and scholarships. Whether you're a domestic or an international student, toggle the button to access information that applies to you.

Sydney Design School - Interior Decoration Workshop

21-22 January

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.

Brent Street Summer Camp 2025

13-17 or 20-24 January

Kick off the new year at Australia's biggest dance event this Summer! Join us in either week of our Summer Camp for 5 massive days of dancing, singing and acting at our world-famous studios. You'll leave the workshop feeling inspired and pumped, ready to smash your dance goals for 2024! We welcome students from all studios across Sydney and Australia to enjoy our Summer Camp. It's so much more than just dance classes; it's an experience of making friends, a physical challenge and inspiring teachers!

More than a Score - The ACAP Difference Webinar

13 December

Regardless of whether ACAP holds the top spot, or falls anywhere from 1 to 8, we extend a warm invitation to you. Join us at our live, interactive information session where we will provide you with an opportunity to experience the essence of who we are and the unique qualities that distinguish us. Join us in uncovering what truly sets us apart.

The Hotel School Information Evening

13 November

Are you passionate about a career in hospitality, tourism, or events? Join us to explore how you can start an exciting global career!

New Short Courses in Cooking at Le Cordon Bleu in 2025

As we celebrate the season of joy and generosity, we are thrilled to announce the launch of new short courses in Adelaide, Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane, allowing home cooks and aspiring chefs to elevate their culinary skills with the guidance of world-class lecturers in our commercial kitchens.

From mastering the delicate art of macarons to perfecting the craft of breadmaking, Le Cordon Bleu Australia is opening its kitchen doors to those who have always dreamed of cooking like a professional.

The new short courses offer an unparalleled opportunity to learn the secrets of the culinary world, guided by expert chefs who have trained at the highest levels of international cuisine. From one-day workshops to four-week classes, these new short courses cater to time-poor cooking enthusiasts who want to learn a new skill without taking time out from their busy schedules.

Sydney Acting School - Applications Closing Soon!



Applications for our January 2025 Acting Musical Theatre Intakes are CLOSING SOON! Don't miss out on the opportunity to study at Sydney Actors School.

General

International Student Art Contest - Science Without Borders



Entries close 3 March 2025

The Science Without Borders Challenge is an international contest that engages students and teachers in ocean conservation through art. This annual competition inspires students to be creative while promoting public awareness of the need to preserve, protect, and restore the world's oceans and aquatic resources, contributing to the overarching goals of the Khaled bin Sultan Living Oceans Foundation. The Challenge is open to primary and secondary school students 11–19 years old, with scholarships of up to \$500 awarded to the winning entries

<u>Do You Want to Run Your Own Boss – Become an Entrepreneur</u>

Starting your own business can be one of the most rewarding and satisfying experiences you can have. Find out more with our guide to getting started. Starting your own business and entering the world of entrepreneurship is something that more and more Australians are doing. The increase in connectedness across the globe means that the structure of employment has changed rapidly, enabling more people to realise their dream of becoming a business owner.

Which area of engineering should you study?



We've been working on our video content and our YouTube channel is packed with fun, free careers resources to clue you up on STEM pathways. To start? Suss a compatible engineering job – one of the most consistently in-demand occupations for STEM grads.

Quiz: Should I study computer science?

Computer science, which is the study of computers and computational systems, has computer scientists working mainly with software and software systems in areas of development, design, application and theory. It's a great degree if you're looking to future proof your career, as computer scientists are in demand in SO many industries – tech, biology, defence, design, finance, cybersecurity... These clever peeps can work just about anywhere! But is it the right study and career pathway for you? Find out by taking our quiz.



<u>STEM careers in 60 seconds: Meteorologist</u>



In this video, we've summed up everything you need to know about becoming a meteorologist in 60 seconds! From handy qualifications to where you'll work, it's all in there. You'll even get to meet someone working in the field.

YouthXP - First Dedicated Jobs Website for Young Employees between 15-24

If you're aged 15-24, YouthXP is here to get you a job! YouthXP is designed with features such as the ability to add your specific availability, recognition of your achievements in school and sports, and much more, to fit in with your lifestyle. YouthXP aims to break the cycle which so many young people find themselves in, where every job requires experience, but none are willing to provide it.

Enter the 7News NSW/ACT Young Achiever Awards

Nominations Close: 15 January

The purpose of the 7NEWS Young Achiever Awards is to acknowledge, encourage and most importantly promote the positive achievements of all young people in NSW & the ACT up to and including 29 years of age as of 31st December each year.

Check out the CV of a CommBank tech grad

After graduating, Tori joined CommBank as a tech grad (cyber) – and uses her STEM skills, creativity and knack for communication to keep the bank safe from hackers



<u>3 essential questions to ask before choosing your study and career path</u>



There is so much to think about when choosing a uni degree, and it can get a little overwhelming. And then, when you think you've made up your mind, the deadline for changing preferences looms and you start to doubt yourself all over again! There are the obvious questions like, where do you want to live? What was your favourite subject at school? What ATAR did you get? But we want you to go deeper with these three philosophical questions that will help you think about your path in a new light, and might even change your approach or plans altogether!

Year 12 and Beyond with ADHD

18 & 27 February

For students in Year 12 with ADHD - a practical webinar is being offered for parents early in Term 1 (18th Feb and 27th Feb) next year. If you are interested please access the link below to get your tickets soon. This talk is being run by Claire Pech (a Careers Advisor who works with Year 12's and adults with ADHD) and Amanda Krulis, an Organisational Psychologist.

YEAR 12 & BEYOND WITH ADHD

Claire Pech

Good Education's Good Careers Guide and Good Universities Guide for 2025 Now Available



Our latest combined flip book, The Good Careers Guide and The Good Universities Guide 2025, is a one-stop resource that streamlines the process of choosing a career and choosing a course.

Amanda Krulis

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