

EARLY OFFER SCHEMES

Institutions can make early offers of undergraduate admission to Year 12 students using criteria other than (or in addition to) the ATAR.

SCHOOLS RECOMMENDATION SCHEMES (SRS): APPLY THROUGH UAC

All Year 12 applicants applying to the following institutions 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 your abilities in areas of study
- school's rating of your aptitudes
- Educational Access Schemes (EAS) application (if applicable)
- institution-specific documents (if applicable).

Institutions make offers based:

- solely on SRS criteria
- on SRS criteria and ATAR/selection rank
- on SRS criteria and ATAR and equity criteria.

How your school rates you

Areas of study

Your school will rate you in 10 areas of study, which are split into two sub-groups:

Performance in Year 12

Your school will rate you according to their assessment of your performance in the subjects below:

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

Suitability for tertiary study

Your school will rate you according to their assessment of your ability to undertake tertiary study in the fields below:

- Commerce
- Education
- Health.

Aptitudes

Your school will rate you according to their assessment of your:

- 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 your undergraduate application through UAC.
2. At the end of this application, select the option to also apply for SRS. If you've already applied for undergraduate study through UAC, use 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 about your community involvement.
- Referee – ACU will contact your referee(s) to verify your community involvement before considering your application.

Your CAP early offer will convert to a course offer when you:

- have your CAP course as your highest eligible preference in your UAC application
- have satisfied any prerequisite requirements for your CAP course
- achieve the CAP minimum ATAR required.

How to apply

1. Prepare your Community Experience Statement.
2. Choose a referee and make sure you have their contact details.
3. Apply online via the ACU website: acu.edu.au/community-achiever.

After you submit your application, you'll receive an email detailing what to do next.

Passion for Business (P4B) program

Important dates	
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 you are passionate about studying business or information technology at ACU
 - your future career goals and aspirations.

How to apply

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

Important dates	
30 Sep	Applications close
Within 4 weeks after submission	Outcome provided

Assessment criteria

- Successful completion of year 12 or equivalent
- 200-300 word statement addressing:
 - why you are passionate about law
 - your future career goals and aspirations.

How to apply

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 close
10 Aug	Conditional offers released based on your ANU selection rank (This is calculated using a mathematical model that uses your Year 11 results and your 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

Apply online via the ANU website: 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

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

Apply online via 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 your intended course of study and how it will help achieve your career goals.
- Letter of recommendation from school (principal, year coordinator or equivalent).
- Australian citizenship or permanent residency.

How to apply

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 ensure you upload the Supporting Information Form via the Macquarie University website: mq.uac.edu.au/mq-mla.

Note that you may only upload your form once. If the form is not completed properly, your 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@scu.edu.au.
- High school results.
- Principal's recommendation.

How to apply

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

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

- Your school's assessment of your 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

Your school's assessment of your attributes and abilities. The assessment is based around your ability to work and learn independently, as well as your overall potential for academic success at UNE.

How to apply

Apply online via the UNE Early Entry website: earlyentry.une.edu.au
Ensure any additional supporting documentation is attached.

Your application will be sent electronically to your school for the principal's report. Your school will approve and submit the application to UNE on your behalf before the closing date.

After you submit your application, you'll receive an email 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 your 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 your E12 course from your 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 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.

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. Talk to your principal and careers adviser about applying for E12.
3. Complete your UAC undergraduate application and include your E12-eligible course as a preference.
4. Apply for EAS at the end of your UAC application (disadvantage AG01, S01C, S01R, F01A, F01B, F01C and/or F01D).
5. Apply for SRS at the end of your UAC application or via the UAC website and upload your 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

- You need to 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

Apply online via the University of Wollongong website: 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

Depending on the undergraduate degree you choose, you need to 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

Apply online via the Western Sydney University website and 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

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