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Uni Step-Up is your chance to get a head start on university by studying two first-year units while you are still in senior secondary school. You'll develop connections with current students and staff while experiencing study at a tertiary level. The program is funded through the Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPPP) and delivered at no cost to eligible students.

WHY SHOULD YOU ENROL IN UNI STEP-UP?

- Receive credit for a university degree: Get credit for related undergraduate courses at ACU.
- There is no charge: Complete two university units HECS free.
- Get a head start for university:
 Test out a subject area and develop your skills in academic writing and referencing.
- Small group size: Class size is limited to ensure you have regular access to guided mentoring from current university students and staff.
- Pathway to further study:
 Participants who successfully complete two Uni Step-Up units may be eligible to receive an unconditional direct entry offer to a mapped ACU course.
- Access to future scholarships: All students who complete Uni Step-Up Online and enrol at ACU are eligible for an accommodation scholarship. Learn more

ELIGIBILITY

To apply you must:

• attend an ACU Widening Participation partner school

OR

- live in a remote or regional area OR
- identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

Please note, places in the program are limited and entry is competitive.

WHEN?

Uni Step-Up is delivered online, one night per week during term times. Semester 1 starts the week of 11 March 2024. Semester 2 starts the week of 12 August 2024. Each semester is taught over 10 – 12 weeks, with a two-week exam period to conclude the unit.

You will be required to log in to a live tutorial of one to two hours and watch a pre-recorded two to three-hour lecture each week. To be successful in the Uni Step-Up program, you will need to set aside approximately 10 hours per week during the semester for personal study as well as the one to two hours of class time. This time is when you'll complete set readings, write your assignments and revise for exams. This is in addition to your regular school study.

KEY DATES

For study in Semester 1 2024 (March – May)

Applications open Monday 4 October 2023

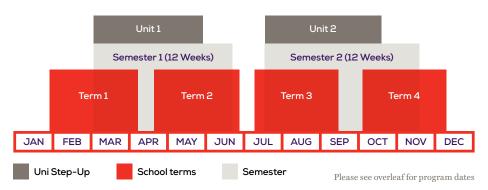
Applications close Wednesday 21 February 2024

Class timetable released Friday 1 March 2024

Parent information session You'll be emailed further details once you have enrolled

Student Orientation 2024 We'll email you once you have enrolled in Uni Step-Up.

Online classes commence Week of 11 March, 2024



Uni Step-Up: Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine (Online)

When you pursue a career in nursing, midwifery or paramedicine, you'll treat, comfort, and help those at their most vulnerable, supporting individuals and their carers and building healthier communities.

UNIT 1

UNIT	DATE	ASSESSMENTS	PATHWAY TO
HLSZ120 Indigenous Health and Culture	Commencing the week of 13 March 2024. Specific dates and times are TBC.	 Written assessment Oral presentation Written examination 	Bachelor of Nursing Bachelor of Midwifery Bachelor of Paramedicine Plus a number of double degrees are available.

In the health profession, it is a requirement that you can perform person-centred care in a culturally competent manner. This requirement exists because all people deserve to be treated with respect and dignity regardless of their beliefs, values or attitudes. This unit will provide you with the foundation for culturally competent practice through the lens of Indigenous Australian culture to ensure graduates enter the workforce as culturally competent practitioners.

UNIT 2

UNIT	DATE	ASSESSMENTS	PATHWAY TO
HLSZ122 Evidence of Practice	Commencing the week of Monday 12 August 2024. Specific dates and times are TBC.	 Online quiz Oral presentation Written assignment 	Bachelor of Nursing Bachelor of Midwifery Bachelor of Paramedicine Plus a number of double degrees are available.

It is a professional and pragmatic requirement that all healthcare professionals have the necessary skills to deliver evidence-based and critically appraised best practice. As the practice of all healthcare professionals in some way relates to the wellness of others, the ability to source and critically consume relevant literature related to practice is critical for optimum outcomes. The skills you'll develop in this unit are required to help you start building knowledge which will guide your future practice as a healthcare professional.

Please note this information may be subject to change.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Will I be enrolled as a university student?

Yes! You will be welcomed as a student at ACU. We will set you up with a university student ID card, university email, and access to ACU's online learning platform. You will have full access to support from academic skills team, library staff, counsellors, and peer mentors.

Will there be an exam?

University unit assessments can include multiple choice quizzes, short answer questions, essays, and exams. You will be guided and supported through all of your assessments during your study.

Who will be in my classes?

You will be in a small class with other Year 11 students. The class size is kept small to ensure that you can get to know other students and receive close support from university staff and peer mentors.

Do I need to buy any textbooks?

No. Any required learning resources will be supplied for you as part of your enrolment in the program.

What if I change my mind and don't want to continue?

It is ok to change your mind during your studies – that is often part of the journey as we learn about our interests and goals for the future. Once you commence the program, we will be there to support you, but if you do change your mind, you can exit the program early without any cost or academic penalty. If you leave before the census date, there will be no record of your participation in the program. However, if you exit after the census date you will receive a Withdrawn Without Academic Penalty (WW) grade.

Learn more

Do I need to attend every day?

Your attendance at every session is important. Please check that you are available to participate in each session.

How does Uni Step-Up help me to gain entry to ACU?

By completing the Uni Step-Up program, you may be eligible to receive an early offer to study at ACU. You will need to pass both Uni Step-Up units to be eligible to receive an early offer. The better you do in your Uni Step-Up studies, the better your chances of receiving an offer to your preferred course.

I am not sure if I should apply – what should I do?

Uni Step-Up offers you a unique opportunity to try out university study before completing your schooling. Chat with your teacher and parent/guardian about your readiness to take on this extra challenge.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE

Wednesday 21 February 2024

APPLY ONLINE

acu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/ SV_8oCHu4RNI67u646

