



CAREER NEWS

Term 3, Week 8 – 2025

UNIVERSITIES ADMISSION CENTRE (UAC) NEWS

Application deadlines

Early bird applications closing – 30 September

Students who are yet to submit their UAC application should aim to do so before early bird applications close at 11.59pm on Tuesday 30 September. After this date, UAC's processing charge increases significantly.

SRS preferences deadline – 6 November

When applications closed last Friday, nearly 28,000 students had applied for an early offer through UAC's Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS). Chances are, some of your students applied!

Applicants must finalise their course preferences for the first SRS offer round by 11.59pm on Thursday 6 November. The first SRS offers will be released on Thursday 13 November.

Educational Access Scheme documents – 18 November

The Educational Access Scheme (EAS) can help students who have experienced educational challenges receive a uni offer. Check our website for [circumstances students can claim under EAS and required documents](#).

Year 12 students applying for EAS will need to submit their EAS application and documents by Tuesday 18 November for the application to be considered for December Round 2 (23 December), the main ATAR-based offer round.

Video: step-by-step guide to completing a UAC application

Video: step-by-step guide to applying for EAS

Information to support your students

Webinar: Applying through UAC

You and your students are invited to join our live UAC Digital webinar next Wednesday as we discuss applying through UAC. You'll hear all the essentials about the Educational Access Scheme, adjustment factors, preferences and offers.

- 6pm Wednesday 17 September
- Tune into the webinar on [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) or [Facebook](#)





Tips for students: UAC course preferences

Undergraduate applicants can select up to 5 course preferences when they apply for uni through UAC.

We've put together some info for students about what order to list their preferences, how and when to change them, and what to do once they've accepted an offer. [UAC course preferences: 5 things students need to know](#)

Pathways to degrees

When students feel that the degree they are keen on is out of reach, it's a good opportunity to remind them that institutions offer a variety of pathways – such as diplomas, foundation studies and certificates – to help them transition to uni and reach their goals.

[Pathway options for undergraduate applicants](#)



| Key dates | | |
|--------------------|----------------|--|
| 30 Sep 2025 | 11.59pm | Early bird processing charge deadline |
| 17 Oct 2025 | 11.59pm | Schools Recommendation Scheme ratings close |
| 13 Nov 2025 | 7.30am | First round of Schools Recommendation Scheme early offers released |
| 18 Nov 2025 | 11.59pm | Closing date for Educational Access Scheme applications for December Round 2 |
| 18 Dec 2025 | 6am | HSC results released |
| 18 Dec 2025 | 9am | ATARs released |
| 18 Dec 2025 | 11.59pm | December Round 2 change of preference deadline |
| 23 Dec 2025 | 7.30am | December Round 2 offers released |
| 30 Dec 2025 | 7.30am | January Round 1 change of preference deadline |
| 8 Jan 2026 | 7.30am | January Round 1 offers released |

ACADEMY OF INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT – INFORMATION EVENING

Are you interested in exploring creative pathways in Games, Film, Animation or VFX?

AIE invites you to share this opportunity with students who are interested in learning more about 3D Art, Animation, VFX, Game Design, Programming or Filmmaking.

AIE's **Information Evening** is an insightful and focused session designed for students (and parents) who want a clear understanding of study options and where a career in the creative industries can lead.

At Information Evening, attendees will:

- ✦ Get an overview of AIE's courses and entry pathways
- ✦ Hear from teachers who've worked in the industry
- ✦ See examples of student projects and graduate outcomes
- ✦ Ask questions in a supportive, and get tailored advice

 **Date:** Thursday 18th September

 **Time:** 6 PM – 8 PM

 **Location:** 33 Mountain Street, Ultimo, NSW 2007

For more information visit the AIE website or email emily.shakespeare@aie.edu.au

MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY LEADERS AND ACHIEVERS PROGRAM

14 students have successfully received an offer for a course at Macquarie University next year through Round 1 of the Leaders and Achievers Program. Round 2 offers are to be made on 25 September.

Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Media and Communications

Bachelor of Media and Communications

Bachelor of Criminology

Bachelor of Applied Finance

Bachelor of Business

Bachelor of Actuarial Studies

Bachelor of Psychology

Bachelor of Psychology

Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science

Bachelor of Education (Primary)

Bachelor of Biodiversity and Conservation

Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Psychology

Bachelor of International Studies and Bachelor of Security Studies

AIM OPPORTUNITY



School Holiday Workshops

Where: AIM Sydney Campus

When: 29th September, 2025

Because you and your school are part of our AIM community we would like to warmly welcome your students to our holiday workshop, **FREE OF CHARGE!** All your students have to do is enter promo code **AIMSchool** at checkout.

Created for students in Years 9-12, AIM's school music workshops provide incredible opportunities to explore songwriting or performance, all while being mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

There are only a limited amount of spots left.

[REGISTER](#)

What To Expect

AIM offers a variety of holiday workshops that are designed for future musicians to refine their talent. These courses include:

- **[The Songwriters Toolkit](#):** Whether you're drawn to pop, indie, rock, or heartfelt ballads, this hands-on experience dives deep into the craft of lyric writing, melody, and structure. Guided by industry professionals, you'll learn how to turn ideas into compelling songs while developing your creative confidence and connecting with others in a collaborative, inspiring environment.

- **Mastering Performance:** Step into the spotlight and take your live performance skills to the next level! This dynamic workshop is designed for aspiring performers who want to build confidence, develop their musical identity, and command the stage.

MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY NEWS



MACQUARIE LEADERS AND ACHIEVERS

FIRST ROUND OFFERS

Offers were released last week for the Macquarie Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme, round one. Congratulations to all those students who have received an offer in this first round. For students who have submitted their application for round two, their outcomes will be released on Thursday, 25 September.

We've provided some notes to assist you if you are guiding students through the process to accept their offer. Note that enrolment is not yet open.

To accept your offer to study at Macquarie University, please follow the steps below:

1. To accept your offer, click the 'Accept and Enrol' link that was included in your offer email OR go to this [link](#).
2. Fill in the questions (e.g. 1. Domestic Student) then click 'Get your enrolment information.'
3. Click on Step 1 and use your Macquarie Leaders and Achievers (MLA) application number and date of birth to retrieve your 8-digit Macquarie student ID (your application number is the number you received when you created your application)
4. Activate your Macquarie student ID by clicking 'First Time Login' or by following this [link](#).
5. Login to your [eStudent](#) to officially accept your offer.

6. Within the 'My Application and Offer' tab of your eStudent click 'Respond' then 'Accept' to accept your offer.
7. Confirm your action by selecting 'OK'

If you have successfully accepted your offer your 'Offer Status' will display 'Accepted' or 'Admitted.'

Unsuccessful applicants

Students who were unsuccessful in this offer round have also been notified. We understand this can be a disappointment for students. It's important to note these students did not meet one of the following criteria:

- Year 11 requirements were not met
- Activities requirements were not met
- Not eligible for listed preferences

We recommend students familiarise themselves with other entry options including SRS, adjustment factors they may be able to apply to their ATAR, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Entry Pathway, and our Macquarie University College Pathway courses.

Students can reach out to our Contact Centre on 9850 6767 or email us at future.students@mq.edu.au if they have any questions.

MANAGING STRESS AND GETTING EXAM READY

As we head into the final exam period for Year 12 students we wanted to share the resources NESA developed with Professor Viviana Wuthrich based on her research in the Macquarie University's Lifespan Health and Wellbeing Research Centre. Professor Wuthrich is also author of the [Study without Stress program](#).

- [Tips for students](#)
- [Tips for parents](#)
- [Tips for schools](#)

Or visit NESA's website here: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/hsc/student-guide/wellbeing>

BUSINESS BUILDERS CAMP



We are excited to offer this opportunity for students who have an idea that could be the next big thing. Whether it's a product, app, service, or social impact initiative, the Business Builders

Co-designed and delivered by the Macquarie Business School and Macquarie University Incubator, it's a unique opportunity for students to experience real-world entrepreneurship in a fast-paced, highly practical environment.

Upon completion students will receive a Macquarie University Microcredential Certificate and Badge for their resume.

To find out more and submit an application visit:

Camp provides the tools, mentorship, and confidence to turn it into something real.

<https://events.humanitix.com/teen-business-builders-camp>.

This 3-day, non-residential holiday camp from 1-3 October, is a mini accelerator program tailored for students in Years 9-11 who already have a business idea and want to test, validate, and build it with expert support.

Dates: 1-3 October
Cost: \$385 per student


JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Apprentice Signwriter – Berkeley Vale

- **Paid to Study:** Certificate III in Signs and Graphics
- **Full-Time Position** based in Berkeley Vale
- Work across multiple sites on the Central Coast, Sydney & Newcastle
- Gain hands-on practical experience in signage


This apprenticeship offers structured training, practical real-world experience, and long-term career potential in a growing creative trade.

For more information about this position, please contact Central Coast Group Training.



APPRENTICE SIGNWRITER

- **Full-time** role located in Berkeley Vale
- Working across sites over the **Central Coast, Sydney & Newcastle**
- **PAID** to study a Certificate III in Signs and Graphics

 **EMPOWERING FUTURES**

North Commercial Apprenticeships Starting in 2026

We are currently advertising Trade Apprenticeship employment opportunity for 2025 School Leavers :

Apply NOW - North Commercial Apprenticeships Starting in 2026

Central Coast & Newcastle

This only comes around once a year and NOW's your opportunity to apply.

Join an award-winning commercial construction builder with a high focus on safety, fun and building WOW projects.

Our mentored learning programs will teach you more than carpentry skills- you learn how to be a leader, critical thinker, safety conscious and a how to build BIG things.

If your keen to grow both professionally and personally, learning all there is to know about construction, whilst completing a Cert IV in carpentry, then the North 4-year commercial construction apprenticeship program might be what you're looking for.

Applications close 5pm - 1st October 2025

Job Adverts- Read and Apply

GET the edge on your application:

- **Read the attached Apprentice Brochure** to understand WHY this is a unique apprenticeship program.
- **Head to our Virtual Apprentice Booth** : <https://www.north.com.au/apprentices/>
- **Address All of the requirements listed in the job advert- Cover letter, CV etc.**
- **Be genuine and authentic** with our application

Above All:

Be Genuine & Authentic



Scan the QR code below to read the SEEK Advert for your region:

| Tuggerah | Newcastle |
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|  |  |
| https://www.seek.com.au/job/86879405 | https://www.seek.com.au/job/86879755 |



1st Year Engineering - Mechanical Trade Apprenticeship

- PAID to Study a Certificate III in Engineering (Mechanical Trade)
- Full Time Role Located Berkeley Vale
- Licence and Own Vehicle Essential

Are you ready to design a future you'll love?

Kick start your career with Central Coast Group Training - the Coast's leading employer of Apprentices and Trainees for close to 40 years!

What's In It For You?

- ✓ Paid to study a Certificate III in Engineering (Mechanical Trade)
- ✓ Full-time role based at Berkeley Vale
- ✓ Work with a professional, safety-first, fast-paced team
- ✓ Uniform (shirt) provided
- ✓ Ongoing career opportunities upon completion Working Monday to Friday, 6:30am to 3:00pm which may vary. Your duties will include:
 - Loading and unloading trucks with hoists and tools
 - Following directions to install hoists to specifications
 - Assisting tradesmen with general tasks and repairs
 - General housekeeping and tool maintenance
 - Traveling to various job sites (some away work required)

What You'll Need

- Current Driver's Licence & own vehicle (essential)
- White Card
- Reliable, punctual, and willing to learn

As part of this apprenticeship, you'll be paid to study at TAFE NSW - Gosford Campus, completing your Certificate III in Engineering (Mechanical Trade) over 48 months.

About the Host Employer

With over 20 years of experience, our host employer is a family-owned business specialising in:

- Installation of vehicle hoists in commercial workshops and residential garages
- Annual hoist inspections to comply with SafeWork NSW

- Repair and maintenance of vehicle hoists

This role offers a hands-on, interesting, and varied working environment across Central Coast, Newcastle, and Sydney.

For more information about this position, please contact Central Coast Group Training.

GENERAL NEWS

The following news items are sourced from Job Jump

UAC

Pathways to your dream degree

Applying for uni next year but worried that you won't meet the ATAR requirements for your dream degree? Most institutions offer pathway options for applicants who don't meet the standard entry criteria for their courses. Often, you'll be able to find a different avenue into the course you're aiming for.

If you don't get an offer into your chosen degree because you haven't met the required lowest selection rank, you could start an alternative undergraduate course with a lower entry rank. Once you've successfully completed the first year of that degree, and have results that will improve your selection rank, you can then apply again for the degree you really want. (See how to transfer to a different degree.)

<https://www.uac.edu.au/media-centre/news/pathways-to-your-dream-degree>

5 steps to managing HSC stress

Stress and anxiety are incredibly common for students studying their HSC. While we need a certain level of stress to motivate us and help us achieve our goals, it's important to know how to manage it and seek support when things become overwhelming.

<https://www.uac.edu.au/media-centre/news/5-steps-to-managing-hsc-stress>

UAC Digital Live

17 September

Join UAC's Community Engagement team to find out more about applying through UAC including:

- the Educational Access Scheme (EAS)
- adjustment factors
- course preferences
- offers.

<https://www.youtube.com/UACdigital>

University - Institutes

University of Wollongong Pre-Medicine Degree

The Bachelor of Pre-Medicine, Science and Health is a three-year undergraduate degree providing a solid foundation towards graduate medicine, dentistry, veterinary studies, optometry, podiatry, physiotherapy or pharmacy. Depending on which major/minor you choose, this course also leads to a wide range of postgraduate study or professional career options in the physical and life sciences, allied health or health

informatics. High performing students from a diverse range of backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply, in particular, Indigenous and rural students.

This degree will explore core content for medical school entry including academic literacy, critical thinking skills and an understanding of what it takes to be a successful health practitioner. Extracurricular activities will demonstrate your leadership, dedication, and cooperation. From your first year, you will have opportunities to participate in a wide range of volunteer and enrichment activities in the community. These will assist you in developing real-world skills and ready for a career in health and medicine.

<https://www.uow.edu.au/study/courses/bachelor-of-pre-medicine-science-and-health/>

Macquarie University - Teen Business Builders Camp

1-3 October

Have an idea that could be the next big thing? Whether it's a product, app, service, or social impact initiative, the MQBS Business Builders Camp will give you the tools, mentorship, and confidence to turn it into something real.

This 3-day, non-residential holiday camp is a mini accelerator program tailored for high school students who already have a business idea and want to test, validate, and build it with expert support. Co-designed and delivered by the Macquarie Business School and MQ Incubator, it's a unique opportunity to experience real-world entrepreneurship in a fast-paced, highly practical environment.

This a great opportunity for Years 9–11 students with a business idea ready to grow.

<https://events.humanitix.com/teen-business-builders-camp>

Macquarie University Astronomy Night

27 September

Sydney's most spectacular astronomy event is back again and you're invited to pull up a front-row seat as we explore the Universe together. Prepare to be captivated by the cosmos and embark on an unforgettable journey through the universe.

- Our Astrophotography competition will be back again this year,
- Lots of activities for young ones and young at heart
- Short talks program, Macquarie University's Astronomical Observatory and Telescope Park - just to name a few

Food and drink is available to purchase on the night from the University's own food court.

<https://event.mq.edu.au/astronomy-open-night/>

Western Sydney University HSC Study Sessions

29 September - 3 October

From Monday 29th September to Friday 3rd October 2025, Western Sydney University will be offering a range of online study sessions to assist Year 12 students in their preparations for the HSC.

These will be delivered by highly qualified senior teachers with 24 free sessions across 15 key HSC subject areas, with sessions that include content analysis, tips and strategies, and a detailed exploration of key syllabus and curriculum areas.

Students also have the opportunity to sit a practice exam and deconstruction, with feedback and advice from experts.

Sessions Include:

- English Advanced and Standard
- Mathematics Advanced and Standard
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Biology
- Business Studies
- Legal Studies
- Ancient History

- Studies of Religion
- Modern History
- Community & Family Studies
- PDHPE

<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/student-life/events/free-hsc-study-sessions>

Western Sydney University - Experience Engineering!

24 October

Experience Engineering! is designed to capture the imagination of female and non-binary students in Years 7-10. They will discover how they can use their Maths, Science and Technical knowledge combined with their creativity and communication skills to solve set tasks and problems. This is what Engineering is all about! The activities are devised by our Engineering Universities and delivered by current Engineering students - with the assistance of Engineers.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSehPBKzW7yavsUwycqgKXeiU7WZFTLoXKf44dZuJ_WTKT_veQ/viwwform

University of Sydney First Nations Scholarship for the Bachelor of Laws

Closes 30 September

Judge Ralph J Perdriau First Nations Scholarship for the Bachelor of Laws supports First Nations students undertaking a Bachelor of Laws.

This scholarship is valued at \$30,000 and is tenable for up to 5 years.

You must have an unconditional offer of admission to an undergraduate combined law program at the University of Sydney Law School

<https://www.sydney.edu.au/scholarships/b/judge-ralph-j-perdriau-first-nations-scholarship-for-the-bachelor-of-laws.html>

University of Sydney Webinar - Scholarships at Sydney

17 September

At the University of Sydney, we offer over \$135 million worth of scholarships every year. We're dedicated to supporting you throughout your time at university and offer a variety of scholarships for domestic undergraduate students. To make the process easier and more accessible, we've created a centralised form where you can be considered for a scholarship through one simple application.

Additionally, some of our scholarships require no application at all! In this webinar you will learn about the scholarships we offer, find out about your eligibility, get tips on writing a strong scholarship application and have your questions answered by our team.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cSKCyg96Ru2khHs2qqzflw#/registration

University of Sydney Webinar - What's the Deal with Dalyell?: Introduction into Dalyell Scholars Stream

22 September

The Dalyell Scholars Program at the University of Sydney is designed for high-achieving undergraduate students with an ATAR of 98 or above (or equivalent). It offers a rich academic experience through accelerated study options, advanced units, mentoring, and professional skill development.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_JP4SBFBcRC6WoL0hp3BHIA#/registration

University of Sydney Webinar - Alternative Pathways Through TPC and STAT Entry Schemes

23 September

If you left school in Year 10 or finished Year 12 without an ATAR (or equivalent), this information session will cover our new Tertiary Preparation Certificate and STAT entry schemes. It will also cover other potential pathways that can support your transition to university. This presentation is suitable for domestic applicants who would like to apply for a bachelor's degree.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ybSMBV9YRVmppMKFhfGkzA#/registration

University of Sydney Webinar - Indigenous Futures at Sydney: Last Chance for Scholarship Applications

25 September

As the scholarship application deadline approaches, this yarn will offer a final opportunity for you to ask any remaining questions regarding the scholarship applications. Don't miss this chance to ensure you're fully prepared!

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Od97yhHGS0mtSoHzBzYMLw#/registration

University of Sydney - 2025 Gadalung Program Expression of Interest

Applications Close 28 September

Apply today to join our on-campus residential program for Year 11 indigenous students, held 8-12 December.

https://sydney.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eY7HgPF1RxyEIQq

University of Sydney Webinar - Bachelor of Wildlife Conservation (Taronga)

22 October

Designed for students who have a passion for animals and dream of making an impact in the wildlife conservation sector, our Bachelor of Wildlife Conservation (Taronga) will equip you with highly sought-after skills and interactive, practical experiences in the field. Join us to learn more about studying on site at the Taronga Conservation Society and envision your future in wildlife conservation.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wZfnqAojTEC3TJgaexCtSA#/registration

ACU NextGen Women in STEM Pathways Scholarship

Apply by 26 October

Established to support and promote the participation of women in STEM, in alignment with ACU's mission. At ACU, we believe that every student should have the opportunity to thrive. Established to support and promote the participation of women in STEM, this scholarship reflects ACU's ongoing commitment to equity and inclusion, in alignment with our mission to foster opportunity through education. The NextGen Women in STEM Pathways Scholarship helps remove financial barriers and empowers aspiring female STEM professionals to realise their potential and shape a more inclusive and innovative future.

This scholarship is valued at \$3,000, to be paid in one lump sum

There are up to five scholarships available.

https://acu.smapply.io/prog/nextgen_women_in_stem_pathways_scholarship/

ACU Indigenous Code and Data Scholarship

Apply By 26 October

The scholarship reflects ACU's commitment to supporting the next generation of innovators. This scholarship supports Indigenous students who are passionate about creating impact through innovation, leadership, and knowledge. It empowers recipients to pursue STEM qualifications that can drive positive change in their communities and beyond.

The scholarship aims to reduce financial barriers and promote equitable access to university by assisting with essential education-related expenses such as textbooks, study materials, technology, and other academic resources.

This scholarship is valued at \$3,000, to be paid in one lump sum

There are up to five scholarships available.

https://acu.smapply.io/prog/indigenous_code_and_data_scholarship/

Charles Sturt University - Making it in media

14 November

Are you passionate about content creation, news, journalism, media, advertising or public relations?

If you're a student in Year 9, 10, 11 or 12, join us for our free Making it in Media workshop!

Ever wondered what it's really like to host a podcast, write newsworthy articles or work in TV? In this exciting full-day workshop, you'll dive deep into the dynamic worlds of design and content creation, news and media, and strategic communication.

This interactive, hands-on experience invites you to collaborate with other students and explore the diverse majors on offer when you study with Charles Sturt.

What to expect

- Step into our brand-new TV studio and creative hub.
- Get a taste of what it's really like to work in media.
- Take part in practical and fun workshop sessions.
- Hear from our course director, leading academics and alumni and get your questions answered.

<https://study.csu.edu.au/why-charles-sturt/events/making-it-in-media>

Southern Cross University - Parent Information Session

18 September

Your child's educational journey is of utmost importance. As parents and guardians, it is essential to be well-informed of various opportunities and pathways that lie ahead.

Here at Southern Cross University, we are organising an exclusive session designed specifically for parents and students in Years 11 & 12 and encourage you to join us for an upcoming Parents Information Webinar.

<https://www.scu.edu.au/study/information-for-parents/online-parent-information-evening/>

University of Newcastle Ma & Morley Scholarships - Closing Soon

Applications Closes 14 September

The Ma & Morley Scholarship Program is a transformative experience offered to students of the University of Newcastle who want to change the world.

This revolutionary scholarship program was born to honour the life-changing and enduring friendship between the successful Chinese entrepreneur Jack Ma and respected Novocastrian Ken Morley.

The program aims to inspire, educate and cultivate the next generation of globally aware and socially conscious Australian leaders and is only made possible by a generous US\$20 million philanthropic commitment by the Jack Ma Foundation.

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/scholarships/ma-and-morley-scholarship-program>

UNSW Indigenous Preparatory Programs (Pre-Programs)

Applications Close 6 October

UNSW's Indigenous Pre-Programs offer a holistic pre-entry university experience for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students without the need for an ATAR. Our programs are both an alternative entry pathway to UNSW and a degree-specific preparatory program, meaning you can hit the ground running on day one of your degree.

The Indigenous Pre-Programs is a three-week intensive residential program held at UNSW's Kensington campus in Sydney. The pathway program is delivered by Nura Gili in partnership with UNSW faculties and schools in the areas of Business, Education, Law, Medicine, Social Work, or Science & Engineering. We run Indigenous Pre-Programs in the areas of Business, Education, Law, Medicine, Social Work, or Science & Engineering.

<https://www.unsw.edu.au/nura-gili/future-students/indigenous-pre-programs>

UNSW Scholarships

Most merit based scholarships close 30 September

UNSW has a wide range of merit scholarships to support students starting their undergraduate studies.

These scholarships celebrate achievements in academics, sports, leadership, and more.

Realise your dream of studying and make the most of student life with our scholarships for undergraduate or postgraduate coursework students.

<https://www.scholarships.unsw.edu.au>

UNSW Gateway Admission Pathway

Round 2 Closes 12 November

UNSW is committed to student equity, and we want to ensure that as many young people as possible can access and succeed in higher education. The Gateway Admission Pathway is UNSW's primary pathway for students who are traditionally underrepresented at UNSW and in higher education more broadly.

<https://www.unsw.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/undergraduate/admission-pathways/Gateway/admission-pathway>

UNSW Co-op Chat - The Application Process

17 September

Ready to apply for the Co-op Program but not sure where to start? This session is designed to guide you through the application process with practical advice and firsthand insights from current Scholar Ambassadors. Learn what to expect, how to prepare, and how to present your best self in your application.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/co-op-chat-the-application-process-tickets-1545918677379>

Indigenous Australian Engineering School

Applications Close 7 November

Applications for the 2026 Indigenous Australian Engineering School are now open.

UNSW Engineering will host the Indigenous Australian Engineering School (IAES) from Sunday, January 11 to Saturday, January 17. Established by Engineering Aid Australia, the IAES provides young Indigenous Australians in Years 10, 11, and 12 with valuable exposure to engineering as a potential university study option and career pathway

The IAES is a fully funded residential program, covering meals, travel, and accommodation, making it completely free for students.

<https://www.unsw.edu.au/engineering/student-life/indigenous-engagement>

University - General

University of Queensland Young ChangeMakers Program

Applications Close 21 September

If you're a Year 11 student with big ideas and ambitions, join us for a 4-day program for people just like you. You'll connect with other Young ChangeMakers, think critically about local and global issues and develop leadership and communication skills. The program includes:

- a 4-day (3-night) stay at UQ's St Lucia campus
- a peek into university life, with a comprehensive itinerary that includes interactive faculty workshops, inspiring keynotes and cultural, sporting and social activities.
- a Young ChangeMakers reunion at UQ Open Day (2026).

<https://study.uq.edu.au/information-resources/high-school-students/young-changemakers-program>

Last Chance! NSW Department of Education Teacher Education Scholarship

Application Close 12 September

If your future plans include completing an initial teacher education degree or you are currently studying to become a secondary mathematics, science, technological and applied studies (TAS) or English teacher or an inclusive/special education teacher (K - 12), you could be eligible for the Teacher Education Scholarship. The Teacher Education Scholarship provides financial support of up to \$7,500 per year whilst studying full-time, a \$6,000 appointment allowance and a permanent teaching position with the NSW Department of Education following successful completion of studies.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teach-nsw/get-paid-to-study/teacher-education-scholarship>

Deakin University - Accelerate Webinar

22 October

Are you a high-achieving student ready to kick-start your university journey? Register for our upcoming webinar to learn how the Deakin Accelerate program can fast-track your path to university.

Find out everything you need to know about how the program works – from the program's exciting benefits and wide range of study areas to the simple, seamless application process.

Hear from expert staff, have your questions answered and be inspired by stories from past Deakin Accelerate students who have already begun their path to success.

Ignite your ambitions and take the first step toward realising your fullest potential at Deakin University – the #1 Victorian university for graduate employment.

Parents and career practitioners are warmly invited, too – don't miss this chance to learn more!

<https://www.deakin.edu.au/student-life-and-services/events/deakin-accelerate-webinar>

TAFE

From TAFE to Google

Google software engineer and musician Meredith Lane started her study with a Certificate IV and says there's a tech career path for everyone

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/uni-tafe-or-teach-yourself-the-many-paths-to-a-rewarding-tech-career/>

5 Free TAFE Courses For a Rewarding Career in Science

A TAFE qualification could help you transition from school to uni, or it could get you the entry-level position you need to kickstart your dream career in science.

Science is a diverse area and there are many hands-on vocations that you can work in with just a certificate-level qualification. Or, you could choose vocational education and training (VET) as a stepping stone to a Bachelor of Science.

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/5-free-tafe-courses-to-help-you-decide-if-a-science-career-is-for-you/>

TAFE NSW TVET Guide 2026

TAFE-delivered Vocational Education and Training (TVET) courses help students build practical skills and industry-specific knowledge, and count toward school outcomes, with some courses contributing towards an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/courses/tvet>

TAFE Degrees

Study a TAFE NSW degree and graduate with a qualification that will change your future. With our diverse range of courses, strong industry connections and approaches to learning that suit all needs, we will help you to get the job you want. Find out more with our Degree overview guide.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/degrees>

CIT Open Day 2025

14 November

Join us at CIT Open Day and experience what it's like to study at Canberra's leading vocational education provider. Whether you're finishing school, upskilling or ready for a career change, this is your chance to explore your options, meet expert teachers and see our state-of-the-art facilities in action.

<https://cit.edu.au/citevents/open-day>

Master Builders Association of NSW Pre-Apprenticeships

5-23 January

19 January -6 February

Want to be a carpenter? This is your best first step.

Master Builders will help prepare you to become the best 1st-year carpentry apprentice.

This 3-week entry level training program provides an introduction into both the industry and a carpentry trade prior to commencing an apprenticeship.

<https://www.mbaapprenticeship.com.au/mbas-pre-apprenticeship-program/>

Looking for an Automotive Apprenticeship?

Looking for an Apprenticeship or Job in the Automotive Industry? MTA NSW can assist with their online jobs directory.

https://careers.mtansw.com.au/jobs?locale=au&sort=relevance&country=&state=&city=&zip=&latitude=&longitude=&keywords=Apprentice&city_state_zip=&job_id=&page=1

MTA - How to Get an Automotive Apprenticeship

For gearheads who love the thrill of diagnosing problems, wielding tools, and seeing the satisfaction of a vehicle roaring back to life, an automotive apprenticeship could be the perfect career starter. In Australia, with our established automotive industry and growing demand for skilled auto technicians, securing an apprenticeship in this field opens doors to stable, well-paying jobs. But how do you navigate the process and get your foot in the door? Read on as this guide takes you through the key steps on how to get an automotive apprenticeship in 2024.

<https://careers.mtansw.com.au/career-resources/get-the-job-2/how-to-get-an-automotive-apprenticeship-29>

St Leonards TAFE - Early Childhood Education Careers Day 2025

17 September

Discover Your Future in Childhood Education.

Join us for our Childhood Education Careers Day—an inspiring event designed for students exploring a rewarding career in this high-demand industry, as well as current educators looking to upgrade their qualifications.

Students, careers counsellors, and parents are all welcome on campus to connect with passionate childhood educators and leading employers. Explore our nationally recognized courses (Certificate III, Diploma, and Degree), learn about traineeships, and gain insights into the many career pathways available in early childhood education.

<https://www.tafenswevents.com.au/event/st-leonards---early-childhood-education-careers-day-2025>

Local Government Apprentices, Trainees and Cadets Program

Looking for a hands-on way to start your career, earn while you learn, and make a difference in your local community?

Whether you're finishing school or just thinking about your next steps, your local council could be the perfect place to begin.

The NSW Office of Local Government is helping councils across the state hire and support young people like you through apprenticeships, traineeships and cadetships. It's all about building strong local workforces and helping young people kickstart their career.

<https://www.olg.nsw.gov.au/programs-and-initiatives/apprentice-and-trainee-program/>

Private Colleges

Sydney Actors School Open Now for Enrolment 2026

Applications now open for the Sydney Actors School's Diploma provides students with strong skills in all aspects of acting for screen and stage, the ability to create and perform full theatrical and film productions and the technical aptitude to generate your own work and opportunities. Graduate with a Showreel, Voice Reel, Industry Showcase, Short Films and Play Productions.

<https://www.sydneyactorsschool.edu.au/acting-and-musical-theatre-application/>

ACPE Careers Education Hub

Whether you are a Coach, Teacher or Parent looking for additional resources or you are aged between 15-20 and would like to kickstart your learning, the ACPE Education Hub has you covered!

The ACPE Education Hub has been created to support the learning, personal and professional development of young adults aged 15-20 years old. Each topic area has been specifically designed and delivered in partnership with ACPE Academics and Industry Professionals, bringing you industry relevant and engaging resources.

<https://acpe.edu.au/registration/>

AFTRS First Nations Scholarships

AFTRS First Nations Scholarships are awarded on the basis of creative excellence or equity.

The scholarships are intended to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, with the costs associated with higher education at AFTRS.

The amount of annual support vary, between:

The amount of annual support may vary by course.

- Up to \$7,500 for the Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production
- Up to \$12,500 for the Graduate Diploma in Radio and Podcasting

<https://www.aftrs.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/2026-Scholarship-Guidelines-First-Nations.pdf>

AIT Early Entry

Secure your place now in either our Film, 3D Animation, 2D Animation or Game Design Bachelor or Diploma Programs.

Imagine sitting your Year 12 exams knowing you've already been offered a place to study your dream course in 2D, 3D, Film or Game Design?

We care about your creativity, not your ATAR score so why wait until your scores are released?

Secure your place now by filling in our simple application form. Once we receive your expression of interest we'll be in touch with a conditional letter of offer.

<https://info.ait.edu.au/early-entry-program>

Get an Early Offer into JMC Academy

JMC Academy's Early Entry Program offers a great opportunity for students to secure their spot in their chosen course ahead of their final exams. This program allows students with creative potential to jumpstart their education journey. It's a fantastic way for students to ease the stress of their final year, knowing they have a place waiting for them at JMC, and can fully concentrate on their current studies with confidence and clarity.

<https://www.jmccademy.edu.au/study-at-jmc/early-entry-program/>

Sydney Design School Open Day

13 September

Step inside our world of design and get to know us. Explore our studios, check out amazing student work, meet the inspiring team, get creative making a mood board. Register below, we'd love to meet you.

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

Sydney Design School EVET Info Session - Save the Date

26 November

Curious about our EVET program for Years 11 & 12? Find out about this unique multi-disciplinary creative course, offered on campus and virtually, in term time and school holidays. Register below to receive a link closer to the date.

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

Sydney Design School Info Sessions

1 October

Find out everything you need to know about our world class courses and personal support. Our Director, Amanda Grace will introduce you to our industry focused approach to learning. Register below.

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

Sydney Design School - Interior Decoration Workshop

30 September - 1 October

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.

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

ACAP Calm & Conquer

15 and 30 September

Calm and Conquer is your virtual toolkit for navigating the challenges of Year 12 exams with confidence and composure. Created and delivered exclusively by ACAP University College, this free online workshop series features two dedicated sessions – one for Year 12 students and another for parents and loved ones.

<https://www.acap.edu.au/events/calm-conquer-students-event-1/>

ACPE Early Entry 2026

Are you feeling overwhelmed by the stress of the HSC? Don't worry — we have the solution for you! ACPE is now accepting early entry applications for 2026 based on your Year 11 results.

Take advantage of this incredible opportunity to guarantee your place and secure your enrolment at ACPE, Australia's leading sport education provider. And here's the best part — you don't need an ATAR to join us. We assess your eligibility holistically, taking into account various factors.

By securing your place at ACPE, you'll gain the confidence to pursue a rewarding career in the sport industry. Learn from our experienced academics, interact with current students and alumni and receive invaluable guidance and tips. Stay connected and thrive at ACPE with the latest events and information relevant to your student journey at ACPE. We provide full support to ensure a seamless transition to university life. Say goodbye to stress and hello to a confident future.

<https://acpe.edu.au/early-entry>

Australian Institute of Music - Mastering Performance School Holiday Workshop

29 September

AIM's new school holiday workshop is designed for high school students interested in Music Performance. Created for students in Years 9-12, the workshops provide incredible opportunities to experience playing and performing music, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

<https://aim.edu.au/whats-on/mastering-performance-school-holiday-workshop-sydney/>

Australian Institute of Music - The Songwriter's Toolkit School Holiday Workshop

3 October

Created for students in Years 9-12, AIM's new high school music workshops provide incredible opportunities to explore songwriting, mentored by AIM's own accomplished musicians and educators.

This songwriting workshop is essential for any high school students curious about writing songs and performing and is a golden opportunity to work with incredibly accomplished songwriters. Join us these school holidays and discover the songwriter and performer you were born to become.

<https://aim.edu.au/whats-on/syd-school-holiday-workshop-songwriting/>

Australian Institute of Music - Music Theatre Audition Day

21 November

Our open-call audition day offers a collaborative and experience-based environment, allowing applicants to work with faculty and get a sense of what student life is like at AIM.

Across the course of the day, prospective students will participate in a series of classes in addition to a 1:1 interview/audition.

THE AUDITION PROCESS CONSISTS OF:

- **Singing:** Students will be assessed on vocal technique and development potential in addition to general musicality. Two contrasting pieces are required to be performed. All sheet music in the correct keys should be supplied by the prospective student.
- **Acting:** Students will be required to perform a prepared monologue (2-3 mins) of their choosing in addition to general acting instruction on the day, assessing skill level and potential for development.
- **Dancing:** Students will be assessed on their technical abilities, approach to dance/movement and potential for development.

Comfortable clothing that allows you to move well is encouraged. Chorus heels/dance shoes are preferred, if not available any active shoe is acceptable. Pen and paper may be useful, but not essential.

<https://aim.edu.au/whats-on/syd-music-theatre-audition-day-2025/>

Sydney Acting School Open Day 2025

13 September

Come along and meet our incredible staff and students! Take a tour of the building, see our tutors in action, and even participate in some activities! Learn what makes Sydney Actors School & Sydney Film School the best places to begin your acting and filmmaking journey. Practical based learning within a strong community - there's nothing like it! See for yourself at our 2025 Open Day.

<https://events.humanitix.com/open-day-2025-v3ktkeea>

William Angliss - Scholarship-Ready Resume Writing

17 September

Scholarship applications for Semester 1, 2026 are open between Monday the 15th of September and will close on Sunday the 26th of October!

This session will hone in on the resumé requirement of your scholarship application. Attending this session is strongly encouraged before you apply for your scholarships! By attending, you'll receive a rundown of the application process, what experience the Scholarship Selection Committee looks for, some key dates, and ways to improve your resumé.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/scholarship-ready-resume-writing-tickets-1627027877179>

NAS BFA Information Session

23 September

Join our webinar to find out what makes NAS different from all other Fine Art degrees. The BFA degree is designed to impart the skills, knowledge and creative independence required to sustain a career as an artist. Our staff will talk you through undergraduate study options, the admissions process and then offer the chance for you to ask any questions you might have, so tune in.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nas-bfa-information-session-online-tickets-1508314462159>

AMPA Dance Experience Day

29 September

Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites dancers to join us on campus for a day of dance. Register and bring your friends along and get ready to move!

Dancers will have a chance to participate in contemporary & improvisation classes facilitated by AMPA's inspiring faculty and experience what studying dance full-time is like at AMPA. A Q&A with the program's

Head of Dance will allow aspiring dancers, choreographers, and dance teachers, to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit their future careers.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ampa-dance-experience-day-tickets-1627016001659>

AMPA Experience Day - Classical Performance & Composition

29 September

Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites aspiring Classical musicians and Composers aged 16 and over to join us on campus for a day of music!

Attendees will have the chance to sit in on a performance class, participate in workshops/Q&As facilitated by AMPA's music faculty and experience what studying music is like at AMPA. Experience a day in the life of an AMPA music student to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit your future.

Parents also welcome to attend.

If you value a practical approach to learning and love performing – this is the place for you!

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ampa-experience-day-classical-performance-composition-tickets-1627027626429>

AMPA Experience Day - Music Theatre

1 October

Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites aspiring Music Theatre majors aged 16 and over to join us on campus for a day of music!

Attendees will have the chance to sit in on a performance class, participate in workshops/Q&As facilitated by AMPA's music faculty and experience what studying music is like at AMPA. Experience a day in the life of an AMPA music student to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit your future.

Parents also welcome to attend.

If you value a practical approach to learning and love performing – this is the place for you!

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ampa-experience-day-music-theatre-tickets-1627016222319>

AMPA Experience Day - Contemporary Music Performance & Music Production

2 October

Academy of Music and Performing Arts (AMPA) invites aspiring contemporary musicians and music creators aged 16 and over to join us on campus for a day of music!

Attendees will have the chance to sit in on a performance class, participate in workshops/Q&As facilitated by AMPA's music faculty and experience what studying music is like at AMPA. Experience a day in the life of an AMPA music student to gain further insight into tertiary education and how it can benefit your future.

Parents also welcome to attend.

If you value a practical approach to learning and love performing – this is the place for you!

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ampa-experience-day-contemporary-music-performance-music-production-tickets-1627021457979>

AIBI Higher Education Open Day

1 October

Come along to one of our open days to see what student life is like at AIBI HE! Our team will walk you through our Bachelor's degrees, dive into course details, study options, and answer any questions you have about studying here.

<https://aibi.edu.au/open-day-registration/>

General

Virtual Tour - A Night at the Museum

Have fun touring yourself around an extensive collection of teaching specimens including animals, plants, fossils, and minerals. Come and virtually explore this fantastic teaching space and discover some of the cool and curious specimens on display such as "Lightning Claw" – an Australian dinosaur first identified by UNE

researchers

<https://storage.net-fs.com/hosting/6707096/3/>

Types of Nursing – There’s a lot more options than you could believe!

There are several different levels of nursing. You could choose to become an Enrolled Nurse (EN), a Registered Nurse (RN), a midwife or even a Medication Endorsed Enrolled Nurse (EEN). As per the Nursing & Midwifery Board of Australia’s provisions, Enrolled Nurses usually work under the direction and authority of a Registered Nurse. While a Registered Nurse can undertake additional responsibilities such as administering medication. Both of these are invaluable contributors to the care of patients. On top of this, there are a number of different specialisations in nursing you can train and work towards.

<https://nursingcourses.net.au>

ATAR Notes Free HSC Revision, Head Start Lectures

29 September - 3 October

Join thousands of students that tune in to our live-streamed lectures.

Our legendary lectures, delivered by elite past students, can give you a huge study advantage.

Lectures in a variety of topics, including:

- English Standard and Advanced
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Mathematics Standard, Advanced, Extension 1 and 2
- PDHPE
- Economics
- Modern History
- Studies of Religion
- Physics
- Business Studies
- Legal Studies

<https://atarnotes.com/lectures/nsw#lectures>

AIQS Donald Napier Scholarship - Apply Now

Applications Close 1 October

AIQS offers a number of scholarships each year for Year 12 students who qualify for entry into a Quantity Surveying, Construction Economics, Construction Management (Economics) or other appropriate course at an AIQS accredited program in Australia.

There are four scholarships offered each year

- General (open to all people)
- First Nations people (Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander)
- Disadvantaged (financial, carer, medical condition or disability, regional or remote)
- Diversity (including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, age, religion, marital status, language)

The value of the scholarship is AU\$5,000

<https://www.aiqs.com.au/scholarships>

STEM careers without the degree

Not keen on doing the whole uni thing but still want to work in STEM? Grab yourself a VET qualification! If you're looking for a hands-on, quicker way to study that'll give you all the skills to kick goals in your career, VET could be for you. In this video, we shine the light on five STEM professionals who nabbed a VET qualification and went on to do amazing things in their various fields. Check out five epic STEM careers without the degree and be inspired to carve your very own path in science, technology, engineering and maths!

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/stem-careers-without-the-degree/>

Teens in Business

Closes 15 October

Young people across Australia who have incredibly creative ideas are developing and running amazing businesses, and are creating value for their communities.

We want to acknowledge these young people and give them the support to expand their impact.

By getting involved, students can join a growing community of young people doing innovative things through business.

<https://www.teensinbusiness.com>

Westpac Young Technologist Scholarship - Now Open!

Applications Close 13 January

The Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship was made for talented and inquisitive high school graduates looking to strengthen their passion and expertise in technology to innovate and create new opportunities and inspire good in the world of STEM.

Our Young Technologists Scholars get up to three years of financial support for their studies, networking opportunities, mentoring programs and paid internships with senior business leaders and industry-based experts as well as the chance to develop critical soft skills through the Disruptive Leaders Program. The program includes five days in Asia as part of an international learning experience to broaden minds and inspire new ways of thinking.

Scholars must be intending to commence a STEM related degree at one of our five partner universities across Australia, though you do not need to have received a formal offer at the time of your application.

<https://scholars.westpac.com.au/scholarships/young-technologists-scholarship.html>

Westpac Scholars - 2026 Young Technologists Information Session

25 September

The Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship is for talented and inquisitive high school graduates looking to strengthen their passion and expertise in technology and inspire good in the world of STEM.

Applications for Westpac Young Technologists Scholarships are open from 2 Sept 2025 - 13 Jan 2026 and are valued up to \$20,000 each. With a weeklong disruptive leaders program in Singapore and access to mentoring and networking opportunities, this scholarship is a unique opportunity to strengthen your passion and expertise in technology and inspire new ways of thinking

Thinking of applying for a Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship, but have some unanswered questions?

Register for the online information session that will cover everything from the eligibility criteria and funding guidelines to key attributes of a Westpac Scholar and tips to complete your application.

You'll also get to hear from past scholars who can give you more insight into what to expect, and there will be time for Q&A at the end.

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vvCSZONSQkqRqQQFLc5o-Q#/registration

Girls Programming Network

Next Meeting 26 October

Coding workshops for high school girls and gender minorities

Whether you're just starting out or you're a programming pro, we're sure you'll have a great time at GPN!

Each school term around Australia we run free, full-day programming workshops hosted by local technologists and teachers. Our events are all about learning together, making new friends and having fun with tech.

<https://www.girlsprogramming.network/sydney>