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Key dates and information from University Admission Centre (UAC).

Key dates for UAC applications

The [key dates and information](#) for UAC applications with offer rounds is located on the UAC website.

University admission criteria

Your entry into most courses will be assessed on the basis of your academic qualifications and results. Some courses also have additional selection criteria such as a personal statement, questionnaire, portfolio, audition, interview or test, which are considered either instead of, or together with, your academic qualifications.

Each institution sets its own admission requirements and most offer pathway options to applicants who don't meet these general requirements. Be sure to read the individual [institution pages](#) for details.

Selection is a competitive process and depends on how well you meet the selection criteria for each course.

Some institutions may offer you a place in a lower ranked course if you're not eligible or competitive enough to receive an offer to the course to which you've applied.

Visit the [Admission Criteria](#) section of the UAC website for further details.

How to apply

You can apply for undergraduate and postgraduate (coursework) study through UAC if you are:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen
- a permanent resident of Australia
- the holder of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa.

You can also apply for undergraduate study through UAC if you're an international student who has completed/is undertaking one of the following qualifications in 2020 or 2021:

- an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia
- an International Baccalaureate Diploma
- a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3.

Everyone else needs to apply directly to the uni.

Visit the [How to apply for uni](#) section of the UAC website for further details.

Access and scholarships

UAC works with universities to widen participation in higher education. Equity programs aim to overcome educational and financial disadvantages and help everyone access their potential.

Equity Scholarships - are awarded to students from low socio-economic backgrounds, particularly those who receive Centrelink income support payments. [Information about Equity Scholarships](#)

Educational Access Scheme - helps students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage gain admission to tertiary study. [Information about the Educational Access Scheme](#)

Schools Recommendation Scheme - Institutions use the Schools Recommendation Scheme to make early uni offers to Year 12 students, using criteria other than, or in addition to, the ATAR. [Information about the Schools Recommendation Scheme](#)

UAC offers

UAC advises students of their offers on behalf of the participating institutions. There are a number of offer rounds throughout the year. The [key dates and information](#) for UAC applications with offer rounds is located on the UAC website.

The most important offer rounds for Year 12 students are December Round 2 and January Round 1, after the Australian Tertiary Admission Ranks (ATAR) are released. Although some Year 12 students receive early offers before the December Round 2, these are usually for early entry schemes such as Schools Recommendation Schemes, Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) courses and distance education courses.

The key dates and information on the UAC website show the dates by which you need to apply, provide documents and change your preferences to be guaranteed consideration in each offer round. Update your application using [Selecting and changing course preferences](#).

Deferment

Deferment means that a student has received an offer to enrol in a course but they have been given permission by the institution to delay the start of their course for a fixed period, usually six months to a year. All deferments are granted subject to the course being offered the following semester or following year. See [UAC website](#).

For more information contact

UAC phone

For general information before release of HSC results (phone between 8.30am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday – Sydney time):

- 1300 ASK UAC (1300 275 822)
- from mobiles (02) 9752 0200
- from overseas +61 2 9752 0200.

Contact after the release of the ATARs:

[UAC Media Centre](#)

- 1300 MY ATAR (1300 692 827)
- from mobiles (02) 9119 5012
- from overseas +61 2 9119 5012.

UAC website

uac.edu.au (includes online email enquiry service).

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