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UNSW Year 10 Subject Selection Evening

Wednesday, 10 April

Thursday, 2 May

Monday, 20 May

Wednesday, 22 May

Thinking about uni in the future? This evening is the best place for you to start if you are thinking about attending university in two years' time and are currently a Year 10 student (or you are the parent or teacher of a Year 10 student).

What we'll cover

We will make sure you're familiar with what you'll be doing during HSC subject selection but also with how your subject selections may affect what adjustment factors (previously known as bonus points) you may be eligible for, what the difference is between assumed knowledge and prerequisites and how the uni admission and scholarships application process works

Each evening almost always fills to capacity a few weeks before - so register as soon as possible to grab your seats.

Our welcome desk opens at 6pm each evening with all faculties and staff available to answer your questions until the program begins at 6.30pm. Following the program, all faculties and staff are once again available to answer any of your questions.

University of Sydney Year 10 Info Evenings

Join us on campus for a fun and informative evening where we will answer the important questions: How does scaling work? What should you consider when selecting your subjects for Year 11 and 12? What are prerequisites and assumed knowledge? What is university really like? You will hear from a range of speakers including University staff and students.

- Thursday 4 April 2019
- Tuesday 7 May 2019
- Thursday 16 May 2019

Register now

UNSW Year 12 Medicine Information Evening

20 March | 6:30pm - 9:00pm

If pursuing a career in Medicine is what you've always dreamed of, then make sure you don't miss the Medicine Information Evening.

This evening provides a general overview of the UNSW Medicine degree as well as detailed information on our application and admissions process for 2020 from current staff and students in the Faculty of Medicine. Finally, the evening is a great opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have about what it's like to be a student studying Medicine at UNSW, what the interview process is like, or anything else that may be on your mind.

Like the UNSW Medicine degree, this event is extremely popular and will fill to capacity.

Please register as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Please note that demand for this event requires us to limit attendance to only Year 12 students and one parent.

Find out more - www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/year-12-medicine-information-evening

UAC admissions opening early

If you're a Year 12 student in NSW, or an interstate student planning on applying in 2020 to a Uni in NSW through <u>UAC</u>, there's some good news.

You can now start the undergraduate admissions process from 9am on 3 April 2019 (in previous years you had to wait until August). So if you know what you want to study and where, you could get your Uni applications done early in the Year, leaving more time to focus on study near to your exams.

Understanding University Early Entry

Early entry is a system that some universities or tertiary admissions centres (TAC) use to help them select students before the normal application process takes place. You apply through a special system and get an offer earlier than if you waited and used your ATAR to apply normally.

ACU – Community Achiever Program (CAP)

Move forward by giving back. Our Community Achiever Program (CAP) is open to people who volunteer for local community, social justice, sporting or cultural causes. In return, you'll gain early entry and tap into leadership and development opportunities.

Open Date: May 2019

Cut Off Date: End of July 2019

Notification Date: End of August 2019

Apply here.

ANU – Early Conditional Offers

ANU could make you an early or priority offer of admission based on your Selection Ranks, if you are a talented student, or have varied life experiences. Early offers are open to students from all backgrounds, from every town and city of Australia. All of them deserve the opportunity to access the life-changing benefits of a tertiary education.

Ooen date: 4 March 2019

Cut Off Date:31 May 2019

Notification date: August 2019 (Conditional Offer)

LOCATION

ACT (but open to all Australian Students)

Application Criteria

- Co-curricular or service requirement Academic requirements
- Yr 11 results for conditional offer
- Yr 12 (ATAR/OP) results for final offer
- Pre-requisites or portfolios applicable to chosen course

Apply here

Early Admission at UOW

University of Wollongong's early offer program for Year 12 students.

The results you've got so far will be assessed and can reward you with an early offer for your chosen degree (or degrees) before you sit your first exam.

You're eligible to apply if you are completing your final year at an Australian high school.

Open Date: 1 August 2019

Cut Off Date: 30 August 2019

Notification Date: Before your exams

Assessment Criteria

- Current academic performance
- Personal traits and skills

They have a list of the indicative criteria for entry into each degree on their site.

Apply here

HSC True Reward at WSU

HSC True Reward is Western Sydney University's early offer program.

Get an early offer into a University degree based on your HSC results and corresponding HSC subject band outcomes, not your overall ATAR.

Check their website regularly for the dates (they're not out yet).

Apply here

Macquarie University GELP

Global Leadership Entry Program (GELP)

For students who are kicking goals at school and making a positive change in your community through leadership and service.

Fill out an expression of interest form, and check the website as details are updated (early 2019) for 2020 applications

Apply here

Notre Dame's Early Offer Program

Are you a high-achieving Year 12 student who wants to study at a leading Australian university? Do you want to get a head start on your future? If so, you may be the ideal candidate for The University of Notre Dame's Early Offer Program.

This exclusive program is open to Year 12 students who have demonstrated academic excellence and/or are making a significant contribution to their school or community.

Open date: Once you've received your Semester 1 Year 12 results

Cut Off Date: End of August 2019

Notification Date: End of September 2019

Assessment Criteria

- An application form completed by yourself and your school A personal statement of 300 words
- Your Year 11 school reports
- Your Year 12 Semester 1 reports
- Any other supporting documentation such as awards and certificates

It's free to apply

Apply here

UNE Early Entry

UNE's Early Entry recognises that your story is not best told by a number and ensures that you have the best opportunity to go to university.

OPEN DATE Open now

CUT OFF DATE 27 September 2019

NOTIFICATION DATE Early November 2019

LOCATION
New South Wales

Assessment Criteria

Early Entry relies on your school's assessment of your attributes and abilities to determine your suitability for entry to University.

Application is free

Apply here

UON Early Offer Program

The University of Newcastle's Year 12 Subject Spotlight is where your ATAR doesn't define who you are – it is your unique passions, abilities and ambitions that matter.

There is no separate application for the program – simply apply through UAC and have UON listed as your first preference to qualify.

Open Date: 9am on 3 April 2019 (UAC admissions open)

Cut Off date: (as per UAC schedule)

Apply here

University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT ANZ)

The <u>University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT)</u> is an admissions test used by the UCAT ANZ Consortium of universities in Australia and New Zealand for their medical, dental and clinical science degree programmes.

The UCAT ANZ test will replace the UMAT (Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test) from 2019 (for university entry in 2020).

The UCAT ANZ is a computer-based test delivered in Pearson VUE test centres throughout Australia, New Zealand and at some overseas locations.

Please note that some pathways to medicine / dentistry / clinical sciences will not require the UCAT. For some applicants a different test may be required. For details candidates should refer to the websites of the universities to which they intend to apply.

Find the dates for 2019 here – https://www.ucat.edu.au/ucat-anz/dates-and-fees/

UCAT Free Practice Papers

UCAT has now replaced UMAT as the **admissions test** for entry into medical, dental and clinical science degree programmes in Australia and New Zealand.

The UCAT is a **2 hour computer-based test** that will run throughout **July 2019**. You can download a brochure here – UCAT Handbook

We also have UCAT guides and a free full-length UCAT practice exam available for download on our website: www.matrix.edu.au/beginners-guide-to-ucat/part-8-ucat-practice-paper/

Find out about the UCAT Masterclass here – https://www.matrix.edu.au/ucat-courses/

UCAT Dates 2019

Candidates taking the UCAT in 2019 for entry to universities in Australia and New Zealand in 2020 should note these key dates:

Registration and booking opens 1 March 2019

Registration closes17 May 2019 at 11:59pm AEST

Experience UNSW Built Environment Workshops

Workshops & Courses

16 April

18 April

10 July

<u>18 July</u>

Do you want to shape future cities to improve people's lives? We'd like to invite you to the Experience UNSW Built Environment Workshops at our Kensington Campus during the

April School Holidays. Our free interactive and hands-on Experience UNSW Built Environment Workshops, for students in years 10 -12, incorporate Design, Architecture, Planning and Construction to solve a real-world challenge. The workshop aims to investigate better solutions to enhance the lives of children and elderly living in a city. With the world's population rapidly increasing, there is an urgent need to design cities which are smart, healthy and liveable for both the younger and older population – a challenge that designers, architects and planners are facing today. In our new gallery space and the Design Futures Lab, you will create innovative and practical solutions to this real-world challenge. You will meet current UNSW students who will introduce you to the UNSW Built Environment degrees and show you how you can contribute to shaping the future of our cities. Time: 9am – 4pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided These workshops are open to students in years 10 – 12 only. Find out more - https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/experience-unsw-built-environment-workshops

Coder Academy School Holiday Workshops

SYDNEY APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2019 - \$140 + GST per Workshop Join Coder Academy for fun and engaging days full of coding, robotics, electronics, Virtual Reality and more! Your kids will learn and have fun with our fabulous school holiday programs. Whether they are interested in coding, game design, VR or wearables, we have a program for you! Watch them transform from technology consumers to technology creators. Highly trained staff will provide kids with a range of experiences designed to fire their passions and ignite their creativity.

Prerequisites: Absolutely none!

Skill level: Beginner or intermediate

What to bring? Just bring a packed lunch and be ready to learn.

Book here - https://coderacademy.edu.au/kids-coding-courses/sydney-april19-school-holiday-program

Macquarie in a Day

17 & 18 April | 8.30am - 3pm | Macquarie University campus

We're opening our doors to Year 11 and Year 12 students for the chance to taste what a day in the life of a Macquarie student is really like.

Register now, spaces filling up fast!

Find out more at: Mq.edu.au/mqinaday

A Day in the Life Creative Workshops | Sydney

Saturday 13 April | 9.30am - 1.30pm | Ultimo Campus

Still deciding which creative course or career to aim for? Spend a day with us, at Uni, and discover what a day in the life of a design or gaming student is REALLY like. Our

workshops are free, and an ideal way to get a feel for what you like, what you don't like and where you might see yourself in the future. You won't know until you try!

Workshop Types:

- Communication (Graphic) Design
- Interior Design
- Branded Fashion Design
- Photography
- Digital Media
- Gaming

Suitable for: High School students in years 10-12 AND anyone interested in learning more about a career in either Graphic Design, Interior Design, Fashion, Photography, Digital Media or Gaming.

Find out more - https://www.billyblue.edu.au/news-events/upcoming-events

Sydney to Silicon Valley & Beyond | Where Will Your ATAR Take You

27 March | 6pm | Sofitel Sydney Wentworth

Join a growing number of Sydney students studying at the world's top universities!

If you want to know what life might be like as a freshman at a US college or as a first year student in the UK, then this event is for you.

If you want to find the university that is perfectly suited to you – with the most inspiring professors, cutting edge facilities and global opportunities at your feet, then this event is for you!

US & UK University Experts from Crimson Education will cover:

- How to manage your application in Year 11 or 12
- How to develop your profile from Year 9 and 10
- The academic benchmarks how to apply with your ATAR or IB score
- The student experience developing global networks, independence and soft skills
- Overseas study from a parents' perspective safety, costs and communication
- How to effectively research overseas universities
- Employment prospects with a top US or UK uni degree
- Case studies Australians studying overseas

This event is for students in Year 9 and up (yes, forward planning helps when applying overseas!). Parents are encouraged to attend and can register for free.

Book now and use code STUDYWORKGROW for \$10 off

- https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sydney-to-silicon-valley-beyond-where-will-your-atar-take-you-tickets-56078126185

JMC Open Day | Sydney

Sydney, May 18. This is an opportunity to get to know JMC Academy. On the day you can take a tour of our facilities and learn why JMC continues to lead the way in Creative Industries education. You'll also have a chance to chat with current students and heads of department about studying abroad, industry internships and scholarships.

Register Now

Find out more - https://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days

A Gap Year in the Australian Defence Force

Get the opportunity to experience what a career in the Navy, Army or Air Force could be like

Have a year full of adventure, make new friends, gain new skills, leadership, and travel.

An ADF Gap Year is a truly unique opportunity for you to grow and figure out what next step you'll take in life.

Find out more or sign up for information about 2020 places <u>here</u>.

Cadetship opportunities in business, engineering and technology

A cadetship is an effective way of launching your career from the start of university rather than after you graduate. For twelve years, Professional Cadetships Australia (PCA) has provided opportunities for Year 12 students to apply for a cadetship and during that time, **185 cadets** have been placed under our programs.

There are two programs: **Business Cadetships** and **Engineering & Technology Cadetships** (ETCAD).

By studying and working at a leading company from the start of university, cadets earn a competitive advantage over students who delay work until after they have graduated. Compare the outcomes for a university student and a cadet in the table below:

Year 12 students apply online to Professional Cadetships Australia. We run the application process and conduct first-round interviews in order to determine which candidates will be referred to participating companies.

Applications for the Business Cadetships Program open on 4 March and close on 15 May 2019.

Applications for the ETCAD Program open on 29 April and close on 21 June 2019.

Only current Year 12 students can apply for our cadetship programs. It is not possible to apply once you are attending university. So, if you would like to take advantage of these opportunities, make sure you apply by the due deadlines.

<u>Find out more</u> – <u>www.professionalcadets.com.au</u>

Film Short Course

In February and March we have weekend introductory courses in <u>Directing</u>, <u>Screenwriting</u>, <u>Documentary</u> and <u>Producing</u> which will give you insight into key career paths in the screen industry and are open to students 16+. We also have skills-based two-day courses in <u>Premiere Pro</u>, <u>Budgeting</u> and <u>Camera and Sound</u> and Online courses in <u>Radio</u> and <u>Podcasting</u>. Also just scheduled for April is John Collee's one-day <u>Writing for Hollywood</u>, a great insight for all aspiring feature film writers.

Find out more here or here – https://www.aftrs.edu.au/courses/

How to register for the SAT internationally

Test dates for 2019 are coming up in March and May. You can sit it multiple times but you need to register!

Learn how to put your name down for the exam in this comprehensive article

University of Sydney – Year 10 Subject Selection Guide

To get into some of our courses, you'll need to choose certain elective subjects in Years 11 and 12. That's why it's important for you to start preparing in advance. This guide will help you prepare and provide you with some key things you should know about studying at uni.

 $Read\ Guide-\underline{https://sydney.edu.au/content/dam/corporate/documents/study/resources-for-career-advisers/UniSyd-Year-10-Guide.pdf$

CASPer Test – New Requirement for Teacher Entry in 2019

If you want to study education at uni next year then you'll possibly need to sit the CASPer test. It's a test designed to assess traits like professionalism, empathy, communication and ethics. Find out more about it here.

ACU is using CASPer results for 2019

Find out more and take the test here - https://takecasper.com/

Community service as important as ATAR for Year 12s in ANU overhaul

In a new scheme designed to diversify the university's ranks, school leavers will be asked to meet a minimum threshold of community service and extra-curricular activity such as working part-time, playing sport or volunteering, on top of achieving the right score for their degree.

ANU vice-chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt said students were more than "just a score" and had unique skills on offer from time spent volunteering, working part-time, excelling in sports or performance or participating in student leadership.

You can find out if you meet the tests here - http://www.anu.edu.au/study/apply/new-admissions-for-2020/co-curricular-or-service-requirement

Education USA

This U.S. Government Website provides advice to students interested in applying to U.S. colleges and universities. Information includes how to apply, testing, financial aid, visas, and more. The U.S. Consulate General in Sydney has an EducationUSA Centre, and students, parents and career advisers can make appointments to visit the centre.

https://www.educationusa.info/australia

Changes to Police Officer Recruitment Process

The main changes to the recruitment process include no minimum academic requirement, introduction of a University Certificate in Workforce Essentials, the entrance exam is now known as the Police Entrance Exam, copies of transcripts and other mandatory documents need to be certified by a Justice of the Peace, online application via JobsNSW and a case office will contact applicants once applications are received.

http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/recruitment/home

There are 3 ways to study at UNSW Canberra (ADFA)

- **ADFA Trainee Officers** study Arts, Business, Computing and Cyber Security, Engineering, Science, or Technology degrees (while receiving military training and subsidised accommodation and living costs)
- **Defence Civilian Undergraduate Sponsorship students** study Computing and Cyber Security or specialist Engineering degrees in Aeronautical, Civil, Electrical, or Mechanical (with full tuition fee scholarships and stipends)
- **Non-Defence Undergraduate students** study specialist Engineering degrees in Aeronautical, Civil, Electrical, or Mechanical or Engineering / Science double degrees (with paid work experience opportunities).

Our students are provided with a unique study experience, access to custom-built facilities and resources, outstanding industry networks, and graduate with a degree from one of the top universities in the world.

Find out more - http://www.unsw.adfa.edu.au/study

Five tips to help year 12 students set better goals in the final year of school

A great article for Year 12's, with useful advice about how to avoid anxiety and perform your best in the year ahead.

Read More

Breaking bad study habits

Start the new school year off right with these great tips for staying focused while studying.

Check them out – http://learningfundamentals.com.au/blog/breaking-bad-study-habits-16-effective-habits-for-success/

Smartphone Apps to Help with Studying

This article features some smartphone apps that can help students to improve their study habits.

http://blog.aias.com.au/index.php/study/making-technology-work-for-you-effective-apps-for-smart-study/

Think Education Surviving Year 12 eBook

Think Education have produced a free eBook with tips on how to master your final year of school.

http://beyou.think.edu.au/surviving-year-12

TSFX Edge Online

Edge Online is an online resource portal that provides exclusive resources designed to provide students with the best opportunities to optimise their Year 11 and 12 scores.

http://www.tsfx.com.au/resources/

Tips for volunteering

Volunteering is a great way to give to your community, meet interesting people, and learn new skills. It can also be a great way to get some experience on your resume before you get a job. Youth Central have some tips on finding a volunteering position and making sure you're not being exploited in the role.

http://www.vouthcentral.vic.gov.au/jobs-careers/volunteering-work-experience/volunteering

My Future – Supporting your Child's Career Development

Support from family and key people in their life is important in helping young people through the process of thinking about and planning for their career.

As a parent or carer, four areas where you can provide practical support are self-awareness, opportunity awareness, decision making and transition support.

Read more at - https://myfuture.edu.au/career-insight/details?id=supporting-your-child-s-career-development - /

Find out which occupations have skills shortages

Choosing a job in an industry where they need more workers is usually a smart decision. Right now, most professions are adequately supplied with large numbers of qualified candidates competing for vacancies. There are shortages for architects, surveyors, sonographers, audiologists and veterinarians, and many trades need more qualified people.

Find out where more people are needed here - https://www.employment.gov.au/occupational-skill-shortages-information

Careers in Sport

This website is for anyone interested in a career in sport and fitness. There is information about recommended qualifications and pathways, along with a list of available positions and courses

http://www.sportspeople.com.au/

TSFX Free HSC Survival Guide

The School for Excellence (TSFX) have put together a 36 page guide to help year 12 students achieve the best possible marks in end of school exams. The guide has advice about goal setting, managing stress and procrastination, time management skills, effective learning techniques, planning study timetables and more.

Download it here: http://www.tsfx.com.au/hsc-survival-guide-edge-teachers