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2020 Applying for University as a Year 12 Student with UAC

Video on YouTube to help students navigate and understand the UAC application process. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uznSlo s 4U

University of Sydney | Year 12 Information Evening

9 June 2020, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Online

We understand this is a stressful time for Year 12 students, and are committed to supporting you on your journey to the University of Sydney. Attend our online Year 12 Information Evening to find out more about our undergraduate course options, admission pathways, scholarships and more

At this online event you can:

- · Visit virtual booths staffed by faculty experts
- · Get advice on your study interests and our course content
- Get your questions answered through one-on-one chat
- Speak with current students about their experiences at Sydney
- Chat with UAC about the ATAR and applying to university
- · Attend a featured talk

 $Find out more: \underline{https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-university-of-sydney-year-12-information-evening-tickets-104000335804}\\$

University of Wollongong Year 12 Online Information Evening

16 June 2020, 6:00 pm

These interactive online events are designed to answer all the common questions that students have about starting university study. UOW academics, support staff and current students will be on-hand to make sure you have all of your questions answered at the one time in the one place.

Register below for the event that suits you.

- · Important dates and key things to remember
- Your ATAR and selection rank (and what it means)
- UOW Early Admission
- UOW scholarships
- UOW accommodation
- · Your options if you don't get the ATAR you need
- Student life at UOW https://event.on24.com/eventRegistration/EventLobb

UOW | Year 10 Subject Selection Webinar

22 June 2020, 6:00 pm Online

The Year 10 Subject Selection webinar is for students thinking about studying at university who would like to know more about our degrees and choosing subjects that provide a good foundation for each study area. Staff from the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will go through the ATAR, how it is calculated, and touch on scaling.

We will also cover:

- UOW Early Admission
- · Opportunities for High Achievers
- Scholarships
- UOW campuses
- Student Accommodation
- · Pathways to University
- Costs of University
- Student Life

Find out more: https://uow-au.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN W9cR1klgRKmqdkb9ssaKKg

UNSW | Undergraduate Info and Insights Week - Online

23 June 2020, 6:00 pm - 25 June 2020, 7:00 pm Online

Join us at our Undergraduate Info and Insights Week from 23 – 25 June.

Designed for Year 11 and 12 students, we'll cover everything from scholarships and admissions to the UNSW student experience through a series of short livestreamed presentations. At the end of each session, you'll have the opportunity to participate in a live Q&A, where you can get all your questions answered.

Find out more:

https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/livestream-unsw-undergraduate-info-and-insights-week

UNSW Law Admission Test

UNSW The LAT 2020 will take place on Tuesday 29 September 2020. Standard registrations close at 5:00 pm Friday 14 August 2020.

The LAT is a written test that allows candidates to demonstrate their aptitude and skills for studying Law at UNSW. LAT results will be considered in addition to the ATAR (or equivalent academic result) in the UNSW selection process to differentiate amongst the many high achieving Law applicants. Completion of the LAT will enable UNSW to gain a more rounded view of a candidate's capability to study Law; it will also give applicants the opportunity to demonstrate further their suitability for the Law program at UNSW.

Register here:

https://lat.acer.edu.au/register? cldee=Z2FyeS5ncmFudEBqb2JqdW1wLmNvbS5hdQ%3d% 3d&recipientid=c

UTS Support your UAC application with the Engineering and IT Questionnaire Closes 17 December, 2020

If you fall short of the ATAR by 1–3 points, we'll still consider your application if you complete the questionnaire and demonstrate a strong motivation to study engineering or IT. It takes just twenty (20) minutes to complete, so give yourself the best chance to get into your preferred course at UTS.

https://www.uts.edu.au/futurestudents/engineering/essential-information/year-12-engineering-and-it-questionnaire

ACU | Talk with Exercise Scientists and Physiotherapists Online

1 July 2020, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Online

Join us online to hear from ACU alumni about their experiences working as clinical exercise physiologists and physiotherapists. Take part in a Q&A session with our graduates to learn what a career in exercise science and physiotherapy is like.

Find out more:

https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/2020/july/talk-with-exercise-scientists-and-physiotherapists-online

HSC Preparation Courses Years 10 to 12 with the Centre for Continuing Education From 14 April to 17 July

Join our program of HSC prep courses. All course content is tailored to the new syllabus.

• A shorter, more accessible format – all workshops are one and two days.

We have new, highly qualified tutors – each member of our newly expanded team is a knowledgeable former HSC marker.

Find out more:

https://cce.sydney.edu.au/courses/hsc-preparation

University of Wollongong HSC Support

4 May to 1 July

Students studying for their HSC in 2020 are faced with unprecedented challenges. The University of Wollongong

(UOW) is committed to providing additional resources and assistance to help students successfully complete their final year of schooling and transition to tertiary study.

With over 30 FREE subject-specific online sessions, the HSC Subject Support Series is designed to help students improve their knowledge and understanding of key subject content and discover what HSC exam markers and assessors are looking for. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and receive tips and strategies directly from education professionals with years of experience.

https://www.uow.edu.au/study/events/hsc-support-series/

Early Entry to Macquarie University

Macquarie University has announced that they are removing caps on admissions through their early entry schemes, the Macquarie Leaders and Achievers Early Entry Scheme and the Schools Recommendation Scheme.

This means that anyone who applies and meets the criteria will be guaranteed a place to study in 2021. Macquarie has removed these caps to support students concerned about impacts to their study and ATAR results from the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Please note that caps will still exist at course level when there are government, legal, or other logistical restraints (clinical placements, etc).

Find out more about early entry to Macquarie University here: https://www.mq.edu.au/study/year-12-early-entry

New UAC EAS Categories

If your family has been affected by COVID-19, you could be eligible for bonus points under UAC's Educational Access Schemes.

Starting in August, you can now be considered through EAS' financial disadvantage stream if your parents have received either the JobKeeper or JobSeeker payments for at least three months.

Find out more about how to apply for EAS on UAC's website here:

https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes/educational-access-schemes

AIT | Virtual Open Day

10 June 2020, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Online

Join us for our Virtual Open Day to find out how you can convert your passion into a career you'll love in Film, Animation, Games, Digital Design or Mobile App Development.

- Learn about our Higher Education Bachelors and Diplomas
- Listen to a panel discussion with recent graduates
- See our award-winning student works
- Live chat with our Course Advisors

Find out how you can make a successful career out of what you love.

Find out more: https://info.ait.edu.au/virtual-open-day

NIDA | Virtual Open Day

17 June 2020, 10:00 am - 20 June 2020, 5:00 pm Online

In 2020, NIDA's Open Day will take place online, with activities spreading across four days from Wednesday 17 – Saturday 20 June.

Attend a live talk, take a virtual tour, watch never-seen-before videos of student projects, try a NIDA Online class, and more!

Find out more: https://www.nida.edu.au/productions/Open-Day

Early Entry Schemes | Apply now

Get an offer for university before you've taken a final examination

Year 12 can be stressful, but the 2020 cohort have probably experienced more than their fair share due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The good news is that everyone understands your pain. Schools, education departments, tertiary admission centres, universities and other tertiary education providers – they're all working hard to make sure that you won't be unfairly disadvantaged because of it.

There are lots of early entry schemes that you could be eligible to apply for; check out our Early Entry Guide and our alternative pathways database for more information.

Reduce your year-end stress, apply for early entry to university

Receiving an early offer has a few benefits to consider:

- · Get applications out of the way sooner
- Leave yourself more time later in the year to focus on your studies and revision
- Enjoy the peace of mind that could come with your early offer
- Helps you to plan your future in more detail e.g. finances and accommodation

You can read more about the benefits of early entry and conditional offers <u>here</u>. If you weren't already considering applying for an early offer before school shut-downs, maybe you could now.

Apply for early entry programs NOW

Our <u>Early Entry Guide 2021</u> has recently been updated with new programs, adjusted key dates and revised eligibility or application requirements.

Lots of the early entry schemes are already open for applications, if not they're opening soon. So, if you'd like to apply or you need to do a little research, now is the time.

There are more early offer programs than ever

Early entry schemes are becoming more widespread amongst the alternative pathways offered by universities.

Each university designs its own scheme, which unfortunately means application systems and requirements will vary.

So it's important that you read all the eligibility requirements, understand the application process, and stick to the key dates listed for each individual program. We have listed all the important information and links to specific pages in our Early Entry Guide to get you started.

Who is eligible to apply for early entry schemes?

Some programs are for gifted students, but not all. If you're not amongst the top academic achievers in your cohort, don't be discouraged.

- Academic merit
- · Elite athletes and performers
- Future leaders recognised by your school
- Students who've thrown themselves in to community engagement and volunteering
- · Rural or remote applicants
- People who've experienced disadvantage

These are just some of the categories that could make you eligible to apply.

Got questions about Early Entry?

If you still have questions about early entry, reading about some of the <u>frequently asked</u> <u>questions</u> and the answers could help.

You could also reach out to the universities if you've got additional queries about specific programs.

Don't forget that if you're not eligible to apply for any of the schemes right now because:

- · You don't meet the eligibility criteria
- The university you'd like to apply for doesn't offer early entry

Or perhaps you apply and aren't offered a conditional or guaranteed place....

It's not the end of the world and certainly not the end of your university dreams.

You can still apply for your preferred university and courses later in the year; there are a few main offer rounds you could be successful in.

There are also alternative pathways to explore that could get you into the course you'd like. Just don't give up.

Learn a little bit about 10 top fashion courses you could do online or in person, here in Australia.

Plus you could discover the careers in fashion that might be open to you once you've completed them.

If you love fashion and you'd love a career working in the industry, it's worth exploring all the qualifications and top fashion

The Job Maker Plan and you

Rebooting Australia's economy

You might have heard on the news over the last few days about Scott Morrison's latest announcements regarding the Job Maker Plan.

But, perhaps you're not sure what it's all about and how it could affect you.

Well, in short it could make for a brighter future for school leavers, especially those who'd like to get VET qualifications.

What is the Job Maker Plan?

- The Job Maker Plan is a potential solution to the economic impacts of COVID 19.
- · "The way to ensure people are employed moving forward" Scott Morrison
- · At the moment unemployment figures and debt levels are high.
- But the immediate focus on restoring jobs that have been lost, as well as pledging to create more and better opportunities for young people in the future, is very positive.
- · Mr Morrison is hoping the new strategy could restore our country's economic success sooner rather than later. Although it's already a 3 to 5 year plan.
- You can watch Scott Morrison talk about the Job Maker Plan here.

How could the Job Maker Plan affect you?

- · If you're thinking about studying a VET qualification, there's good news.
- "I'm very committed to investing more, in a better system," -Scott Morrison
- It's possible that funding above the current \$1.5 billion could be provided to the skills and training sector. Which in turn could create even more courses, traineeship and apprenticeship positions. Potentially it could one day translate as more financial assistance and subsidies too (but that's speculation for now).
- The entire VET system may be overhauled so it's not as "complex", "clunky" or "unresponsive".
- "It is no wonder when faced with this, many potential students' default to the university system, even if their career could be best enhanced through vocational education."
- A VET system that's easier to navigate and understand could make it easier and less overwhelming for you and other young Australians. Ultimately allowing you to find the best qualifications to get your career started sooner.
- In addition, course prices and quality could be standardised between states, territories and training providers. That could make opportunities in VET fairer and better for everyone.

It's good news

Although it's early days and as Mr Morrison himself said "there's no guarantees", the Job Maker Plan could help you find employment more easily after high school.

If you are interested in vocational education and training (VET), you can find out more about it on our dedicated <u>page</u>.