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Careers News



Mr Cajar (gcajar@erc.nsw.edu.au) will resume his role as Careers Advisor from 9 October 2023 (Week 1, Term 4). Until then, if you require career support or information, please contact Mr Morley (lmorley@erc.nsw.edu.au)

Year 12 Information:

UAC Information

If you are applying to university through UAC the closing date for early bird applications is 29 September 2023. The early bird fee is \$78. The standard application deadline for 2024 courses is 2 February 2024. The standard application fee is \$215.

Applications are open now and submitted online at:

<https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/admission-criteria>

Year 12 checklist for applying through UAC

Research available courses.

There are over 2,000 courses available for 2024 admissions via UAC. You can read descriptions of these courses on the UAC website: check the admission requirements and ATAR information. Once you've found your favourite courses, research pathways and alternatives so that you have a back-up plan. Take note of important dates in the application process.

Get your USI.

Your Unique Student Identifier is your government issued student reference number that you will keep with you for life. You need it to enrol at an institution and receive Commonwealth financial assistance, including HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP. You may already have one if you've undertaken vocational education or training. You can create a USI – or check if you have one – at usi.gov.au.



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Keep your UAC PIN safe You need your UAC Personal Identification Number to:

- apply for tertiary study through UAC
- access your ATAR.

Note that your UAC PIN is different to your NESA PIN. For all other applicants, your UAC PIN is the first four digits of your date of birth; for example, if your birthday is 17 May, your UAC PIN is 1705. To protect your privacy, it's a good idea to change your UAC PIN once you've submitted your application. And, of course, keep your UAC PIN in a secure place. For more information, visit uac.edu.au/pin.

Apply for uni through UAC.

Go to UAC's website to apply. You can select up to five course preferences. Even if you're not sure what you want to study, apply now and change your preferences later. We recommend you apply before 11.59pm on 29 September 2023 to avoid an increase in the processing charge. Remember to make a note of your application number. You'll need this number and your UAC PIN to log back in to your application to change your preferences.

Provide a current email address.

You'll need to provide a current email address when you apply so that UAC can let you know about the progress of your application. We recommend you log in regularly to check for messages.

Check your details are correct.

Personal details you provided to NESA/ACT BSSS – including your first, middle and last name and your date of birth – will be automatically entered in your UAC application. If they don't match your official ID (eg your passport or birth certificate) contact UAC. All details must match when you enrol at uni.

Apply for schemes and scholarships.

The Educational Access Scheme (EAS) can help you gain admission to tertiary study if you've experienced educational disadvantage. Apply for EAS as part of your application for uni. We recommend you apply by 23 November 2023 so that you can be assessed in time for the main Year 12 offer rounds. For details, go to uac.edu.au/eas.

Equity Scholarships Equity Scholarships help the most financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education. We recommend you apply by 8 December 2023.

UOW Scholarships

<https://www.uow.edu.au/study/scholarships/domestic/>
<https://scholarships.uow.edu.au/scholarships/search>

Do you need help financially? Have you done well academically? Maybe you are an elite athlete? Whatever your situation, a scholarship can help you succeed at university. Studying can be expensive. They have a wide range of scholarships available to you which can assist with living costs, textbooks or that can contribute towards your fees.



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UOW College

102 Year 12 students from ERC applied for early admission to UOW. If you were one of the few not offered early admission into a preferred course, have you considered the UOW College (UOWC) as an alternate pathway?

Please find below some information to consider:

- The diploma courses at UOWC contain similar 1st year subjects to the degree.
- UOWC conduct more face-to-face lessons in smaller classes.
- Each student is supported with personalised tutorials.
- Diploma course fees are Commonwealth supported and similar to the degree fees (around \$7900/year) and also may be deferred as a student loan.
- UOWC is situated within the grounds of UOW.
- Upon completion of the Diploma, you may:
 - ❖ Advance straight into the 2nd year of the degree course hence you are not behind in time.
 - ❖ Work in the industry and complete your qualification part time.

Course options

[Diplomas at UOW](#) provide an in-depth preparation for either further study (undergraduate bachelor's degrees) or entry-level career opportunities. Academic skills development is embedded in UOW Diplomas, with an emphasis on oral, written and presentation skills, and group work.

Like an undergraduate course:

- subjects have a lecture and tutorial format, or lecture and laboratory format, timetabled over five days.
- assessment is by practical tasks, essays, mid-session tests and final exams.

Upon completion, a recognised Higher Education Diploma qualification is awarded to students. Students who meet the UOW entry requirements are guaranteed entry into the first or second year of the relevant UOW degree.

Diploma options

These UOW Diplomas are Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) for eligible domestic students. This means that students can benefit from **zero up-front tuition fees**.

- [Diploma of Arts](#)
- [Diploma of Business \(2 session\)](#)
- [Diploma of Engineering \(2 session\)](#)
- [Diploma of Information Technology \(2 session\)](#)
- [Diploma of Medical & Health Sciences](#)
- [Diploma of Science \(2 session\)](#)
- [Diploma of Social Science](#)

These courses are accredited by the University of Wollongong (UOW). UOW is registered by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA).



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Tuition fees

UOW **Diploma** and **enabling pre-university courses** attract Commonwealth assistance for eligible domestic students.

This means that you could benefit from **zero up-front tuition fees**.

How do tuition fees work?

Under the Australian Government's university funding model, eligibility for Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) offers depend on either the course or the applicant. As a result, some UOW **Diploma** and **enabling pre-university** places at UOW are CSPs and some are full-fee paying places (FFPPs).

Tuition fees for UOW **Diploma** and **enabling pre-university courses** depend on a few factors:

- the type and duration of the program
- if places are Commonwealth supported or full-fee paying
- student eligibility for Commonwealth support, scholarships or additional support through an equity program.

Student contributions (for CSPs) and tuition fees (for FFPPs) may be repaid via a deferred loan, depending on eligibility.

The Australian Government's [Study Assist](#) website has more information about Commonwealth assistance and eligibility.

UOW Year 12 HSC subject revision support sessions

UOW - Your partner in achieving your best in the HSC.

The University of Wollongong (UOW) is committed to providing additional resources and assistance to help students reach their potential in the HSC.

UOW wants to support students in the lead up to trial and final HSC exams. In conjunction with [InspirationED](#), UOW are running two free HSC subject revision programs across June and July for current Year 12 students.

This program has been designed to complement and add value to what is already being taught in the classroom.

Students can select which subject specific sessions they want to attend, with both online and face to face options available. You can attend more than one session and you can attend both the online and face to face options. The content delivered across both programs will be different.

https://uow_srd.swoogo.com/year12hscsubjectsupport

NSW University open days

<https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/open-days>

If you are applying for a position for 2024. It is highly recommended you attend their open days.



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Year 11 Information:

[2024 UOW Summer Master Class](#)

The 3-week University of Wollongong Summer Master Class program allows you to complete a university subject and be flagged with UOW Admissions as an eligible candidate for a UOW degree or pathway offer.

Link to apply:

<https://uow.swoogo.com/Year12SummerMasterClass>

Subjects can be viewed here:

<https://uow.swoogo.com/year12summermasterclass/Subjects>

Applications opened on **Monday 4th September** and close **midnight Sunday 15th October 2023**.

As mentioned, this program offers students completing Year 12 in 2024 a chance to undertake a university-level subject at UOW in the January school holidays.

There will be nine subjects to choose from in 2024 - including one brand new engineering subject!

Benefits:

- Up to 6 university credit points - equivalent to 1 subject of a corresponding bachelor's degree course.
- Significantly increase your eligibility as a 2025 undergraduate applicant.

Key dates:

- Orientation Day: 12 December 2023
- Course delivery: 2 January – 19 January 2024
- Celebration Day: 19 January 2024

Costs:

- \$480 (Significantly less than a HECS supported university subject, which can reach \$1820)

Things to consider:

- You will be completing an entire university subject in 3 weeks.
- There will be assessments - which you must complete all and achieve a pass grade.
- You must achieve at least 80% attendance for the three-week study block.
- Subject delivery is face to face and requires you to be available between 9.00am and 5.00pm each day.



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Entry requirements:

- You will be asked to submit your most recent Year 11 results to support your application.
- If you have not received Preliminary examination results for each subject by the time you apply, use the previous result / grade for that subject.
- Subject specific entry requirements can be found here - <https://uow.swoogo.com/year12summermasterclass/Subjects>
- You can submit a hardship statement to support your application. (Careers advisor can help you with this)

If you require further information, please email Mr Morley (Imorley@erc.nsw.edu.au) or contact Mr Cajar (gcajar@erc.nsw.edu.au) from 9 October, 2023 (Week 1, Term 4)

Alternatively, you can contact the University directly. Details below:

UOW Outreach

The UOW Summer Master Classes Team

(02) 4221 3450

Year 10 Information:

Work Experience

Students wishing to apply for work experience in 2023 must consider the following information:

- It is your responsibility to find a suitable business to facilitate the placement.
- You must declare your interest to the Careers Advisor, they will then guide you through the necessary procedures and supply you with the appropriate forms.
- The College will only grant permission to complete a work experience placement if it is a) during the school term and b) does not interfere with the preparation for / completion of an assessment task.
- For that reason, it is suggested that any proposed dates be scheduled for Term 4, Week 6 - 10 (13 November to 14 December 2023) - after the Year 10, Term 4 examination block.
- If you wish to gain work experience in the construction industry, and access construction sites, you are required to complete a [White Card](#) course. (Ask Careers Advisor for more information)

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