



AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY (ADFA)

What is ADFA?

Receive service training while studying for your degree, earn a salary while learning, and graduate with a rewarding job and no HELP debt.

World-Class Degrees. Unrivalled Military Leadership & Training.

Forged from a unique partnership between the ADF and the University of New South Wales, the Australian Defence Force Academy offers world-class education plus cutting edge military and leadership training.

On our Canberra campus, in addition to being expertly trained in the art of leadership and management, you'll undertake a degree in Arts, Business, Engineering, Information Technology, Science or Technology.

Benefits

- A unique education that sets you up for life
- Free medical services and dental care
- A starting salary of \$40,910 plus generous Super
- Access to sports clubs and exercise facilities
- Subsidised food and accommodation
- No Higher Education Loan Program (HELP) fees

Requirements

- Australian citizen
- 16 years of age to apply
- To apply you require min passes in Year 10 English and Maths

View our ADFA brochure
[here](#) to find out more!



EXPLORE LIFE AT ADFA

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Experience a campus tour

Maintain and manage aircraft structures, propulsion systems, ancillary equipment and related ground support systems, working at the leading edge of aircraft technology.



Discover ADFA

Find out how ADFA combines military training with a university lifestyle.

HOW TO APPLY

Applying for ADFA is a competitive, dual application process that can take up to 12 months. It's preferable you apply in Year 11, but you can still apply in Year 12.

① START THE ADF APPLICATION PROCESS

Using the degree and job match tool found [here](#), explore the UNSW bachelor degrees available through AFDA, and the careers they can lead to.

② ATTEND A VIRTUAL YOU SESSION

You will be invited to attend a virtual Your Opportunities Unlimited (YOU) Sessions where you will complete any outstanding forms from the Candidate Hub, take an online aptitude test and talk to a Careers Coach (via phone) about the service and role(s) you are considering.

③ ATTEND AN ASSESSMENT SESSION

Once you have submitted your application and deemed eligible for a job in the ADF that matches with the UNSW degree you would like to study, you will need to attend an Assessment Session for a medical assessment, a psychological interview and an ADF interview.

④ APPLY FOR UNSW VIA UAC (APPLICATIONS OPEN APPROX. AUG/SEP)

Apply for UNSW Canberra at ADFA, through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). Note that your application to UAC is separate to your ADF application, and all inquiries should be directed to the UNSW Student Administrative Services.

⑤ ATTEND AN OFFICER SELECTION BOARD DAY

After you have completed your Assessment Session with the ADF, you will have your leadership, teamwork and other areas of potential assessed at an Officer Selection Board.

⑥ RECEIVE YOUR ADF LETTER OF OFFER

If successful in your application to ADFA, you will be issued a Letter of Offer.

⑦ PASS THE PRE-ENTRY FITNESS ASSESSMENT

You'll need to undertake and pass the Pre-entry Fitness Assessment (PFA) in the four weeks leading up to your scheduled appointment to the ADF.

⑧ RECEIVE YOUR UNSW LETTER OF OFFER

To successfully appoint to ADFA, you will need to be offered placements with the ADF and UNSW.

⑨ WELCOME TO ADFA!

After successfully completing the application process, you will officially be welcomed at your Appointment Ceremony as an Officer Cadet in January.

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE? REGISTER TO ATTEND OUR VIRTUAL ADFA INFORMATION SESSION [HERE](#)



PRIORITY ROLES

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NAVY

Maritime Warfare Officer

Take responsibility for the control, navigation, systems and maritime safety of an advanced Navy vessel; assuming responsibility for the ship during each watch you keep.



ARMY

Army Officer

With world-class training, we'll help unlock your leadership potential, making you a strong manager and decision-maker. You'll have the opportunity to command soldiers in one of many military specialisation.



NAVY

Electronics Engineer

Tackle highly varied engineering challenges on base and at sea, maintaining radar, sonar, communication and navigation systems, combat management systems and more.

VIEW THE FULL RANGE OF AVAILABLE JOBS [HERE](#)