

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YEAR 12

UAC – Universities Admissions Centre

Applications for university study in 2021 will open on Wednesday 1 April through UAC.

Students will be able to apply for undergraduate study as well as:

<u>Schools Recommendation Schemes</u> - suitable for all Year 12 students who wish to have a wide range of criteria considered, including a school recommendation, rather than just the ATAR

<u>Educational Access Schemes</u> - for students who have experienced long-term demonstrable educational disadvantage due to circumstances beyond your control <u>Equity Scholarships</u> - designed for students who have experienced economic hardship

Early bird applications will close at midnight on **Wednesday 30 September**. Schools Recommendation Schemes will close midnight on **Sunday 20 September**. All UAC key dates will be available on UAC's website from 1 April and the St Clare's College Careers website.

UAC key dates

UNDERGRADUATE KEY DATES 2020-21

For a full list of dates, including offer rounds, visit <u>UAC's website</u>.

Wed 1 April Applications open

Sun 20 September SRS applications close

Wed 30 September Early bird applications close

Tue 15 December ATARs released

Mon 21 December December Round 2 offers released

Fri 8 January 2021 January Round 1 offers released

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UAC PINS

Year 12 students will receive their UAC PIN on Wednesday 1 April and will be able to apply straight away. PIN emails will be sent to student email addresses. Students are encouraged to update their email address in UAC to a personal email address (rather than a school one), so they can be contacted by UAC in December and January when ATARs and offers are released. If any student does not receive a PIN, please phone: $02 - 9752\ 0200$ for immediate assistance. ACT students do not require a NESA number.

Find out more about UAC pins

CHECK THE COURSE START DATE

When applying, students are to check the course start date before adding any courses to their preferences to avoid applying for a Semester 2, 2020 course. If their preferred course isn't listed for Semester 1, 2021, students should choose <u>any</u> course that **starts in 2021** to complete their application and return later to review and change their preferences.

WHY APPLY THROUGH UAC?

The UAC application allows students to apply for courses across 26 institutions. UAC also supplies information on courses at an additional 11 institutions. Some institutions accept direct applications from Year 12 students (ANU) but it's important for students considering a direct application to remember the following:

- a UAC application gives you 5 course preferences to choose, you don't have to apply 5 times to 5 different institutions
- having a UAC application enables you to apply for Access and early entry schemes: SRS, EAS and Equity Scholarships
- having a UAC application as well as a direct application will give you more chance of securing an offer, but don't enter the same preferences in both applications.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS - MEDICINE AND MEDICAL SCIENCES

Entry into undergraduate medical degrees is highly competitive and the selection process is rigorous. Special entry requirements for medicine and medical science courses in 2021 at the University of Newcastle, University of New England, the University of Sydney, UNSW Sydney, Charles Sturt University and Western Sydney University for 2021 are now available. View this information on UAC's website.

UNIVERSITY CLINICAL APTITUDE TEST (UCAT)

Find out more about UCAT

UCAT is an admissions text required for entry into most medical, dental and some clinical sciences degree programs. Students interested in these courses need to check the <u>course description</u> to see if the course they're interested in requires them to sit UCAT. Registration for UCAT is open now and closes at midnight on **18 May 2020**.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS - LAW

UNSW LAW ADMISSION TEST (LAT)

LAT is a selection test developed to assess the types of aptitudes and skills that are critical to success in the Law program at UNSW Sydney. The LAT is used for selection into undergraduate level programs in Law.

For students interested in studying law at UNSW, LAT 2020 will be held earlier this year, on Tuesday **29 September 2020**.

HELP FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS - COURSE COMPASS

If students need help deciding which university course to apply for, they are encouraged to go to Course Compass. Students answer a few quick questions about their current school subjects and Course Compass will display the fields of study offered to recent applicants just like them. They can also drill down to institutions offering courses that might suit them.

Find out more about Course Compass

Below you will find a list of open days for all UAC universities, correct at time of printing, and a summary of the UAC timeline. Year 12 students are encouraged to reach out if they require assistance with their application, either at careers@stcc.act.edu.au or directly to UAC (recommended):

T: 1300 275 822 or 02- 9752 0200 (for mobiles)

W: uac.edu.au

Facebook/Instagram/Twitter: uacinfo

At this difficult time, future planning remains important as we look toward to a return to normalcy; it is also a way to maintain positivity and well-being.

Please don't hesitate to be in touch if you have any questions.

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