

## Focus on ..... Schools Recommendation & Early Entry Schemes:

When you make your UAC application, you should also be aware that there are a range of programs and “Early Entry” schemes that are available to you as well. This document outlines many of these schemes and gives you a summary of each, as well as links you can use to get further information.

### The Schools Recommendation Scheme:

This scheme is administered by UAC and you apply through UAC (after making your UAC application and submitting your course preferences). It is a scheme where institutions can make you an early offer for a course using criteria other than (or in addition to) the ATAR.

Institutions may use one or more of the following criteria when considering your application:

- Your Year 11 studies
- Your school’s rating of your abilities in areas of study
- Your school’s rating of your aptitudes
- Your EAS application (if applicable)
- Institution specific documents (if applicable)



There are 14 institutions participating in SRS this year:

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| # Australian Catholic University              | # Top Education Institute         |
| # Australian National University              | # University of Canberra          |
| # Charles Sturt University                    | # University of New England       |
| # International College of Management, Sydney | # University of Newcastle         |
| # Macquarie University                        | # University Of Sydney            |
| # National Art School                         | # University of Technology Sydney |
| # SAE Creative Media Institute                | # Western Sydney University       |

### ***How do I nominate courses for my SRS application?***

All you need to do is to make sure that any course that you wish to be considered for SRS is listed in your list of course preferences when you submit your UAC application (by midnight on Sunday 12 November 2017).

**NOTE:** You must complete your UAC application **BEFORE** completing your SRS application

**Important Dates:**

<b>2018</b>	
<b>Wednesday 1 August</b>	SRS applications open
<b>Midnight Friday 28 September</b>	SRS applications close
<b>Midnight Sunday 11 November</b>	Applicants must have any courses they would like to be considered for an SRS offer included in their list of preferences. Some institutions may specify an earlier date. Check each institution's criteria table.
<b>Thursday 15 November</b>	SRS unconditional and conditional offers are released
<b>Thursday 20 December</b>	Conditional offers are converted to unconditional offers for applicants who meet institution criteria
<b>2019</b>	
<b>Friday 11 January</b>	SRS offers will also be made in this and subsequent rounds

***What's the difference between a "conditional" and an "unconditional" offer?***

**Conditional** SRS offers require you to meet other criteria before the institution will make you an unconditional offer. These requirements may include a minimum ATAR, course prerequisites, a personal statement, portfolio, audition, interview or test.

**Unconditional** SRS offers are where there are no other requirements you need to meet.

Each Institution has its own selection criteria and you can read about these in the SRS Information Book that you can download from the UAC website at:

[www.uac.edu.au/assets/documents/srs/Schools-Recommendation-Schemes-2018-19.pdf](http://www.uac.edu.au/assets/documents/srs/Schools-Recommendation-Schemes-2018-19.pdf)

This booklet also gives you all the information you need on the application process.

For complete information on the Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS), see: [www.uac.edu.au/srs](http://www.uac.edu.au/srs)



## Individual Institution Schemes:

### 1. Australian Catholic University:

#### ***Community Achievers Program:***

Designed to acknowledge your commitment to your local community.

#### **Details:**

[http://www.acu.edu.au/study\\_at\\_acu/pathways\\_and\\_entry\\_schemes/year\\_12\\_student\\_entry/early\\_entry](http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/pathways_and_entry_schemes/year_12_student_entry/early_entry)

#### ***Adjustment Factors:***

Adjustment factors (previously known as bonus points) can be added to your ATAR to give you a new adjusted selection rank. There are different adjustment factor schemes, some of which require no application (automatically calculated by UAC) and some which require a separate application.

#### **Details:**

[http://www.acu.edu.au/study\\_at\\_acu/pathways\\_and\\_entry\\_schemes/year\\_12\\_student\\_entry/accessacu](http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/pathways_and_entry_schemes/year_12_student_entry/accessacu)

#### ***Passion for Business – Early Entry Program:***

Aimed at students with a passion for business and studying business related subjects at school and wanting to study Business or Commerce at university.

#### **Details:**

[http://www.acu.edu.au/study\\_at\\_acu/pathways\\_and\\_entry\\_schemes/year\\_12\\_student\\_entry/passion\\_for\\_business](http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/pathways_and_entry_schemes/year_12_student_entry/passion_for_business)

#### ***Elite Athletes and Performer Program:***

For elite level athletes (and in some cases, elite artistic performers). Provides a broad range of benefits.

**Details:** [http://www.acu.edu.au/student\\_experience/student\\_life/elite\\_athlete\\_and\\_performer\\_program](http://www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/student_life/elite_athlete_and_performer_program)

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### 2. The University of Sydney:

#### ***The E12 Scheme:***

This scheme is aimed at students who are from a financially disadvantaged background and/or are attending a government identified 'low socioeconomic' high school. Applications for the E12 scheme are now through UAC's SRS process so you will need to submit an SRS application.

**Details:** <http://sydney.edu.au/future-students/domestic/undergraduate/e12/>

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### 3. University of NSW:

#### ***Guaranteed Entry:***

This scheme will give you guaranteed entry to UNSW programs in the December Round 2 offers if you meet the Guaranteed Entry Rank.

**Details:** <https://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/guaranteed-entry>

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### 4. Macquarie University:

#### ***Academic Entry Program:***

The Academic Entry Program considers your performance in individual subjects and matches your strengths to a degree that suits you. The program is available for 79 Macquarie courses.

**Details:** <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-requirements/domestic/macquarie-entry/academic-entry-program>

#### ***Global Leadership Entry Program:***

This program is aimed at students who have demonstrated leadership abilities and have aspirations for service and leadership.

**Details:** <http://www.mq.edu.au/study/high-school-students/getting-into-university/entry-schemes-and-pathways/global-leadership-entry-program>

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### 5. University of Wollongong:

#### ***Early Admission:***

This scheme looks at a number of factors, not just your ATAR.

**Details:** <https://www.uow.edu.au/early-admission>

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### 6. Charles Sturt University:

#### ***Elite Athlete/Performer Program:***

Gives additional consideration and support to elite athletes/performers. In addition to the application you must still apply through UAC as your offer will be made through UAC.

**Details:** [http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0008/2443544/Elite-athlete-program-SCA-form-2018.pdf](http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/2443544/Elite-athlete-program-SCA-form-2018.pdf)

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## 7. Southern Cross University:

### **SCU Star Early Entry:**

SCU STAR Early Entry enables Year 12 students to gain early admission to SCU on the basis of their school principal's recommendation. SCU STAR Early Entry matches an individual student to a particular SCU course based on their likelihood of success in their chosen discipline. This program is only available to Year 12 students who attend school in the Greater Gold Coast, Northern Rivers, Mid North Coast, Upper Hunter, Namoi, New England, or North West NSW regions. If successful, your offer will come directly from SCU so it can be in addition to your UAC preferences.

**Details:** <https://explore.scu.edu.au/star>

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## 8. University of New England:

### **Early Entry:**

UNE Early Entry is open to all year 12 applicants and relies solely on your school's assessment of your attributes and abilities to determine your suitability for entry. The assessment is based around your ability to work and learn independently, as well as your overall potential for academic success at UNE. If successful, your offer will come directly from UNE so it can be in addition to your UAC preferences.

**Details:** <http://www.une.edu.au/study/study-on-campus/get-early-entry>

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## 9. The University of Notre Dame:

### **Early Offer Program:**

The Young Achievers Early Offer Program is designed to recognise your dedication to a broad range of activities including, volunteer work, leadership, sport, the arts and academic achievement.

**Details:** <http://notredame.edu.au/sydney/early-offer.php>

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### **NOTE:**

This list is designed to cover the School's Recommendation Scheme and various other "Early Entry" schemes offered by institutions.

There are also a range of "Adjustment Factor" programs (previously known as bonus points) offered by many institutions (generally specific subject related or locality based bonuses) and these adjustments are normally calculated and added directly to your application by UAC. Descriptions of these are not covered here unless a separate application is required.

You can also access links to these programs via the school careers website under the "Post School Options" menu then "University" and "Info about Uni's and Courses".

If you are considering applying for Early Entry or Alternate Entry programs you should also check with the various institution websites.