

# University of Wollongong



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## Open days, exhibitions and interview sessions

### In Australia

Wollongong campus Saturday 13 August 2016

Open Day is an opportunity for you to discover the many benefits of studying at UOW and to speak to academics from every study area about the courses we offer and the career paths that interest you. We've planned over 100 information sessions and tours to help you get the most out of your day:

- Attend information sessions about courses, scholarships and study abroad opportunities.
- Join a tour of our faculties, research centres and on-campus facilities.
- Find out all you need to know about our Early Admission program.
- Discover your accommodation choices and learn about our First Year Accommodation Guarantee.
- Jump on a guided bus tour around Wollongong.

Visit our Open Day website at <http://uow.edu.au/openday> and register to attend.

If you are unable to attend the Open Day, we offer hour-long tours of our Wollongong campus every Friday at 10.30am and 2.30pm (excluding public holidays). These tours are conducted by current UOW students and can include a visit to our accommodation facilities.

Call 1300 367 869 or visit <http://uow.edu.au/future/visit> to book your tour.

### Overseas

The University participates regularly in overseas missions, exhibitions and student interview programs. To find out when a University staff member will next be in your country, contact the University using the details above.

For details of UOW's overseas agents/representatives, email Future Students at [futurestudents@uow.edu.au](mailto:futurestudents@uow.edu.au).

## Important dates

The academic year at UOW is divided into two main sessions:

- autumn session (between February and June)
- spring session (between July and November).

There is also an optional summer session (between December and February) when a limited range of subjects are offered.

Enrolment and orientation	Thursday 16 - Thursday 23 February 2017
Autumn session	Monday 27 February - Thursday 22 June 2017
Mid-year recess	Monday 26 June - Friday 21 July 2017
Spring session	Monday 24 July - Thursday 16 November 2017

For more information on key dates, visit [www.uow.edu.au/student/dates](http://www.uow.edu.au/student/dates).

It is possible to start most courses in the autumn or spring session.

Refer to the 'Table of courses' starting on page 37 or use our online Course Finder at <http://coursefinder.uow.edu.au> to find when you can start your course of interest.

## ABOUT

In this time of unprecedented change, universities have an obligation to lead and contribute to society. This is why the University of Wollongong (UOW) is committed to new and emergent industries and future jobs.

Our courses and research capacity are geared towards excellence at a global level. We are focused on creating a lasting impact that contributes to the needs of communities and empowering people to achieve their aspirations.

Our ambition for our graduates is that they will be ethical, agile thinkers who are competitive in a global economy, and that their experiences will shape their sense of self as well as their future career.

### Awards and rankings

UOW has built an international reputation for world-class research and exceptional teaching quality. We are proud to be among the best modern universities in the world, with graduates that are rated by employers as some of the most career-ready in the world.<sup>1</sup>

Our university:

- is in the top 2 per cent of universities worldwide<sup>2</sup>
- is the highest rated university in Australia<sup>3</sup>
- is in the top 20 of modern universities in the world<sup>4</sup>
- was the recipient of the 2015 Australian Financial Review Higher Education Award for graduate employability.

For more information about our awards and ranking, visit <http://uow.edu.au/about/awards>.

### Find your 'why' at UOW

In a world that is facing complex social, environment and economic challenges, we are increasingly defined by our purpose and contribution to the world.

So what contribution will you make? What inspires you? Where do your passions lie? Let these questions guide you, and you're sure to find a UOW degree that will connect you with a meaningful career.

Our strong emphasis on providing real-world experiences means you'll have the edge in a competitive job market. Making the most of the practical learning opportunities at UOW will accelerate your learning and open doors to your career.

UOW offers advanced study programs for high achievers. These courses allow for self-directed study and research opportunities – the kind of opportunities not normally available to undergraduate students. Many of our Dean's Scholar degrees provide you with an academic mentor from your area of study and the chance to potentially fast-track your degree.

For detailed course information, visit <http://coursefinder.uow.edu.au>.

### Location

Wollongong is a vibrant city only an hour from Sydney. With 17 surf beaches, a strong sporting community, thriving art culture and lively music scene, Wollongong is a university city that offers the perfect student lifestyle.

Our Wollongong campus is five minutes from the beach and CBD, yet surrounded by native Australian bushland with tranquil ponds and open spaces, making it one of the most picturesque in Australia and the perfect place to study.

UOW also has campuses in Bega, Batemans Bay, Liverpool (UOW South Western Sydney), Moss Vale (UOW Southern Highlands), Nowra (UOW Shoalhaven), Loftus (UOW Southern Sydney) and Sydney CBD (Sydney Business School), as well as the Innovation Campus in North Wollongong.

For further information on UOW campus locations, visit <http://uow.edu.au/about/locations>.

## Campus life

Take your place at UOW and you'll be welcomed into a student-focused community with a calendar full of social, sporting and cultural events. Over 180 live acts perform on campus every year, ranging from international acts to UOW student musicians. You can keep fit in the UOW gym, take a swim in the Olympic-sized swimming pool or join one of 40 group exercise classes each week.

Making new friends is easy, with 120 student clubs and societies to join, or you can start your own. There are also over 60 student sporting teams at UOW – from water polo to rugby league – that play at all levels from casual lunch games to national competitions.

For further information on UOW student life, visit <http://uow.edu.au/student/life>.

## Student support

From your smooth transition into university life to well beyond graduation, UOW offers a personalised experience with strong academic, wellbeing and career support at every stage.

You can develop your study skills in a Peer Assisted Study Session, get guidance from dedicated faculty advisers, maintain a healthy life balance with UOW Wellbeing workshops and get job-ready with the help of Careers Central.

These are just a few of the reasons why we have a five-star rating for student retention, overall satisfaction and getting a full-time job.<sup>5</sup>

For further information on our range of student services and support, visit <http://uow.edu.au/student/services>.

1 Top 1% – QS World University Rankings Graduate Employers Survey 2015/2016.

2 QS World University Rankings 2015/16.

3 Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) 2015.

4 17th – QS Top 50 Under 50 2015.

5 2016 Good Universities Guide.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Read section 3 in Part 1 for general information about admission requirements, including English language proficiency.

Admission requirements are the minimum qualifications you need before you can be selected for admission to a course of study.

As an international student completing one of the following qualifications in 2016, you will apply for admission through UAC and will generally be selected on the basis of your performance in these studies (ie your ATAR or equivalent):

- an Australian Year 12 qualification (either outside or in Australia)
- an International Baccalaureate
- a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement Level 3.

When assessing your application, UOW may take any or all of your qualifications or attempts at study into account.

## Limited ATAR

The University accepts the Limited ATAR for admission purposes – read section 8.6.

## Additional selection criteria

In addition to achieving the standard of performance required for admission, for certain courses you must also satisfy any additional selection criteria, such as a personal statement, questionnaire, portfolio of work, audition, interview or test. These criteria are taken into account either instead of, or in conjunction with, your ATAR or equivalent.

Details of additional selection criteria and how applicants can meet these requirements are outlined in the course descriptions on UAC's website at [www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search](http://www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search).

If you are undertaking your Year 12 studies offshore and are applying to a course that has additional selection criteria that you will find difficult to meet, email [futurestudents@uow.edu.au](mailto:futurestudents@uow.edu.au) for assistance.

International applicants applying for admission on the basis of qualifications other than those listed above must apply directly to the University, not through UAC. For details, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply).

## Offers made to applicants who have an ATAR (or equivalent) below the cut-off

UOW has a number of alternative pathways for admission, which may allow applicants to receive an offer to a course even though they have an ATAR below the cut-off. They are:

- UOW Early Admission program (open to all states and IB students)
- bonus points scheme
- Points to UOW program.

## UOW Early Admission

UOW is always looking for passionate students who enjoy learning. If you are a high-achieving student with the appropriate skills and academic strengths required for one of our degrees, this will be recognised with UOW Early Admission. You can be rewarded with a place in the course that best suits you. Applications open Monday 1 August 2016 and close **Friday 26 August 2016**. Visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/early-admission](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/early-admission).

## Bonus points scheme

If you have a UOW course as a preference and you are completing your HSC in 2016 at one of the schools in our regional area, or at a rural or remote school in NSW, you will automatically receive three bonus points, which will apply to all your UOW courses. A full list of the schools eligible for the regional bonus is located at [www.uow.edu.au/future/school/specialentry](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/school/specialentry).

## Points to UOW

We are all about rewarding hard work. We know that if you have done well in HSC subjects that are relevant to your chosen undergraduate course, you'll be better prepared to join our ranks.

UOW will award a maximum of three additional points for outstanding performance. This is in addition to any other bonuses for which you may also be eligible, including the UOW bonus points scheme. For full details about Points to UOW, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/pointstouow](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/pointstouow).

## STUDENTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Before you are granted a student visa, the Australian Government must be satisfied that you have appropriate accommodation, support and general welfare arrangements in place for the period that you will be under 18 years of age while in Australia.

UOW does not permit enrolment by international students who are under 18 years of age – you must be at least 18 years of age by the date of commencement of session.

For more information on what arrangements need to be in place, visit [www.border.gov.au/Busi/Educ/Educ/Welfare-requirements-for-student-visa-applicants-under-18](http://www.border.gov.au/Busi/Educ/Educ/Welfare-requirements-for-student-visa-applicants-under-18).

## AREAS OF STUDY

UOW offers a wide range of undergraduate courses in:

- Accounting
- Arts and Humanities
- Business and Commerce
- Computer Science and Information Technology
- Creative Arts
- Earth and Environmental Sciences
- Economics
- Education/Teaching
- Engineering
- Exercise Science
- Finance
- Health Sciences
- Law
- Marketing and Management
- Mathematics
- Media, Journalism and Communication Studies
- Medical Science
- Nursing
- Nutrition
- Performance
- Pre-Medicine
- Psychology
- Science
- Social Science
- Social Work.

For course descriptions, visit the international course search on UAC's website at [www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search](http://www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search).

Full details of all courses, including course descriptions and structures, can also be found via the Course Finder at [coursefinder.uow.edu.au](http://coursefinder.uow.edu.au).

## TUITION FEES

For information about tuition fees, refer to the 'Table of courses' starting on page 37 or visit the international course search on UAC's website at [www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search](http://www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search).

Tuition fees are paid one session at a time. Your offer letter will state the tuition fee payable provided that you accept the current offer and commencement date. Tuition fees are set as an annual fee for a course and are subject to annual review.

Visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/fees](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/fees) for full details of fees for each course and UOW's fee policies.

### Student Services and Amenities Fee

All international students must pay a Student Services and Amenities Fee. For details, visit [www.uow.edu.au/student/finances/ssa](http://www.uow.edu.au/student/finances/ssa).

## LIVING EXPENSES

Read section 7.3 for general information about living expenses. For further information, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/whywollongong/about/living](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/whywollongong/about/living).

## SCHOLARSHIPS

We are serious about attracting the best to study with us. UOW has a generous range of scholarships for undergraduate study, including the UOW Undergraduate Excellence Scholarship and the Faculty Merit Scholarships.

Read section 7.4 for general information about scholarships. For more information on UOW scholarships, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/scholarships](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/scholarships).

## SPONSORED STUDENTS

Read section 7.5 for general information about sponsored students.

## OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER

Read section 2.6 for general information about Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

UOW's preferred provider is Bupa. For further information, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/fees](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/fees).

## HEALTH SERVICES ON CAMPUS

A range of health and medical services are provided on campus. Information on doctors in Wollongong who speak other languages can also be provided. For more information, visit <http://unicentre.uow.edu.au/retail/generalfacilities/health>.

## WORKING WHILE STUDYING

Read section 2.5 for general information about working while studying. For advice on how to increase your chances of finding part-time work in Wollongong, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/whywollongong/about/working](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/whywollongong/about/working).

## PREPARING FOR STUDENT LIFE

The pre-arrival website for international students at [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/prearrival](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/prearrival) provides lots of detailed information to help you prepare for life at UOW. The website offers practical suggestions to help you to prepare for your time in Wollongong and highlights some of the items that you will need to organise before leaving home. It is important that you read this information carefully, and any other materials sent to you by the University, as soon as possible.

## ACCEPTANCE, ENROLMENT, ORIENTATION AND DEFERMENT

Read section 6 for general information about acceptance, enrolment, orientation and deferment.

### Acceptance

To accept your offer of admission, you will need to complete the Acceptance Agreement attached to your offer letter and return it along with the total fee payable to commence the course as quoted in your offer letter.

The fee payable includes tuition for your first session of study and Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC). Payment can be made by credit card or a bank draft drawn in Australian dollars on an Australian bank.

You must ensure that payment is made as early as possible to allow sufficient time for visa processing. Depending on the country you come from, the visa process can take anywhere from several days to more than three months, so you need to allow sufficient time for this process. If you are using a university agent, the agent can assist you with acceptance and payment procedures.

When you have paid all fees quoted in your offer letter, an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE) will be sent to you via email. It is important that you provide a current email address with your application so that your eCoE can be sent to you quickly. You will need the eCoE to apply for your student visa.

For details on how to accept your offer of admission, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/accept](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/accept).

### Enrolment

Detailed information concerning enrolment can be found at <http://getstarted.uow.edu.au>. Under no circumstances will enrolment be permitted after the second week of session.

Students who arrive after Orientation Week will not be guaranteed places in the subjects of their choice – where subjects are compulsory, this could result in your course of study taking up to one year longer to complete.

### Orientation

Orientation sessions for all new international students commence on Tuesday 21 February 2017. This will be your official introduction to the University and will give you the opportunity to make new friends and to settle into Wollongong before lectures start. Information sessions and group discussions on a large range of topics will be held during the week. These include:

- services and facilities available on campus
- study skills and essay writing
- general information about living in Australia, local customs and attitudes
- how to stay safe and legal in Australia.

Faculty orientation seminars are also held and you will have the opportunity to consult with academic advisors from your course about selecting subjects for your program of study.

For information about orientation, visit <http://getstarted.uow.edu.au/orientation>.

### Deferment

Deferment requests must be received by Friday 31 March 2017. Do not enrol if you intend to defer. For further information, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/youroffer](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/youroffer).

## STUDENT SUPPORT

UOW provides a wide range of academic and social support services to help you through your time at UOW and your studies. Some of these programs include:

- airport pick-up
- learning development programs
- academic advisers and student support advisers
- the International Friendship Program
- workplace learning to increase your employment prospects.

For details, visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international).

## ACCOMMODATION

For 2017, UOW is able to offer **guaranteed accommodation** in the first year of study, provided students meet the conditions. (Visit [www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation](http://www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation) for information about UOW Living and conditions for guaranteed accommodation.) Many students say one of the best parts of the University experience is living in residence. Rarely will you have the chance to live in a community with people from so many walks of life and countries.

UOW Living provides a range of accommodation options. Residences are in convenient locations and students benefit from an environment committed to providing high academic achievement, involvement, development and fun. The community culture in each residence provides a vibrant atmosphere with many social, cultural, sporting and other activities on offer.

If you are thinking of living at UOW, it is important to apply online early as demand for accommodation is very high. Make sure you read the conditions for guaranteed accommodation in 2017. Further information about the residences, new developments, fees and the application process is available at [www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation](http://www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation).

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## STUDENT AND CAMPUS SERVICES

UOW has a range of student support services. These include counselling, chaplaincy, academic assistance and learning support, and employment and career advice. Campus facilities include a medical centre, computing centre, sporting and recreation facilities, and a childcare centre.

The university supports a variety of student organisations, clubs and societies for students to become involved in campus life.

For more information on UOW's student and campus services, visit [www.uow.edu.au/student/life](http://www.uow.edu.au/student/life).

UOW has dedicated support services for students with disabilities and special needs. Disability Services at UOW provides reasonable adjustment advice and support for current and prospective students with a disability or health condition. Our aim is to ensure that students with a disability realise their full academic potential despite their disability.

If you have a disability, register with us as soon as possible in order to receive additional support and advice. If you have complex requirements it is even more important to contact us early so that we may arrange your support in a timely manner.

Disability Services is committed to creating a safe and productive environment for registered students. Call +61 2 4221 4942 or email [disability\\_services@uow.edu.au](mailto:disability_services@uow.edu.au) to make an appointment. For further information, visit [www.uow.edu.au/student/services/ds](http://www.uow.edu.au/student/services/ds).

## Sports and recreation

The University Recreation and Aquatic Centre provides world-class facilities for sport and recreation. Facilities include playing fields, all-weather outdoor playing surfaces, a 50-metre heated swimming pool and tennis courts. The recreation centre has a fully equipped gymnasium, squash courts, basketball courts, sports store, cafe and 24 sports clubs. Activities offered include fitness classes, leisure and outdoor activities, learn-to-swim classes and a social sports competition.

## Student organisations

There are more than 120 clubs and societies on campus, ranging from religious and cultural groups to recreation groups. International clubs include the Wollongong Chinese Students and Scholars Association, Indian Students Association, Indonesian Students Association, Thai Student Association of Wollongong, Muslim Association of Wollongong University and Saudi Students Association.

The Illawarra Committee for International Students provides support and activities for international students, such as bus trips, an English conversation group and student dinners.

Visit [www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/prearrival](http://www.uow.edu.au/future/international/apply/prearrival) for the full range of services and facilities.