



# University of Wollongong



UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG AUSTRALIA

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## Open days

### Wollongong campus – Saturday 19 August 2017

Open Day is an opportunity for you to discover why the University of Wollongong (UOW) is Australia's top-rated university.<sup>1</sup>

We've also planned over 100 information sessions and tours to help you get the most out of your day. You can:

- attend information sessions about courses, scholarships and study abroad opportunities
- 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
- join a tour of our faculties, research centres and on-campus facilities.

Visit our Open Day website and register to attend at [uow.edu.au/openday](http://uow.edu.au/openday).

For information about our awards and ranking visit [uow.edu.au/about/awards](http://uow.edu.au/about/awards).

### Campus tours

If you are unable to join us at UOW Open Day, we offer one-hour tours of our Wollongong campus every Friday between 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. If you wish to tour another UOW campus, contact that campus directly.

Call 1300 367 869 or visit [uow.edu.au/future/visit](http://uow.edu.au/future/visit) to book your tour.

Contact details for all UOW campuses can be found at [uow.edu.au/about/locations](http://uow.edu.au/about/locations).

<sup>1</sup> Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) 2016.

## Important dates

Autumn orientation	Tuesday 20 – Thursday 22 February 2018
Autumn session	Monday 26 February – Thursday 21 June 2018
Mid-year recess	Monday 25 June – Friday 20 July 2018
Spring orientation	Monday 16 July 2018
Spring session	Monday 23 July – Thursday 15 November 2018

## ABOUT

### Meeting the needs of an ever-changing world

The world is changing at a rapid pace. To stay ahead, we've got to be prepared to adapt. The issues that will be thrown at us may not currently be considered problems. The technologies we'll depend on may still need to be invented. The career ahead of you may not even exist yet.

In this time of unprecedented change, universities have an obligation to lead and contribute to society. This is why UOW is committed to new and emerging 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 careers.

### 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.

- Top 2% of universities worldwide<sup>1</sup>
- Highest rated university in NSW<sup>2</sup>
- Top 20 modern universities in the world<sup>3</sup>
- Top 1% for graduates as rated by global employers<sup>4</sup>.

For more information about our awards and ranking visit [uow.edu.au/about/awards](http://uow.edu.au/about/awards).

### Find your 'why' at UOW

University is about more than degrees. It's about finding out what drives you. It's about exploring your interests and using them to make your mark, on a person, a business, a community or maybe even the world.

As a global university, UOW will inspire you to follow your passions, find your purpose and connect with the brightest minds across the globe; so together we can contribute towards solving complex social, environmental and economic challenges.

Rather than learning the answers to another exam, from day one at UOW, you will ask questions and search for answers, so when you graduate, you will be ready to start your career, whatever it may be.

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

UOW offers advanced study programs for high achievers, offering you 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 [coursefinder.uow.edu.au](http://coursefinder.uow.edu.au).

### Location

The University of Wollongong has seven campus locations across NSW, providing you with a choice of where to study. No matter which UOW campus you join, you ultimately become part of one big community of learning. From the inner city to the coast and out to the country, all our locations have one thing in common: a five-star educational experience.<sup>5</sup>

Wollongong is a vibrant university city only an hour from Sydney. With 17 patrolled surf beaches, a strong sporting community, thriving art culture and a 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 university campuses in Australia and the perfect place to study.

The UOW South Western Sydney campus is located in Liverpool. Opening in 2017 this city campus offers undergraduate programs in arts, business, IT and Law.

UOW also has campuses in Bega, Batemans Bay, 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 visit [uow.edu.au/about/locations](http://uow.edu.au/about/locations).

## Campus life

At all UOW campuses, you'll be welcomed into a student-focused community with a calendar full of social, sporting and cultural events. The Wollongong campus offers more than 180 live performances 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 100 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 more than 60 student sporting teams at UOW – from water polo to rugby league – which play at all levels from casual lunch games to national competitions.

For further information visit [uow.edu.au/student/life](http://uow.edu.au/student/life).

## Turning your talent into success

A UOW education focuses on providing you with not just specialist knowledge, but the broad skills you'll need to grow in an evolving world of work and succeed in the careers of the future. From your first day to beyond graduation, UOW offers a personalised experience with strong academic, wellbeing and career support at every step of your journey.

- **Settling in:** To introduce you to the UOW academic environment and help you understand your student responsibilities, StartSmart will show you how to find and evaluate relevant information to use in assessment tasks, and develop strong academic integrity practices.
- **Career-thinking:** The UOW CareerStart module gets you thinking about your career from day one, while each and every subject will build the core skills essential for any career, regardless of your degree.
- **Your talent:** UOW offers more than 470 flexible degrees, so you get to explore what you're passionate about. Some degrees have a common first year that lets you experience the different fields of a study area before deciding what to specialise in, while other degrees let you choose multiple majors or electives as you progress. Whatever your style, there's sure to be a UOW course that will turn your talent into success.
- **Mentors:** At UOW you're more than just a face in the crowd. Our lecturers are passionate, approachable and supportive industry leaders. Our Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) provide additional support in many core subjects – they are led by students who have already excelled at these subjects and they are keen to provide guidance and support.
- **Real-world learning:** Practical experiences are incorporated into every degree to ensure you have the chance to put your skills to the test before you graduate. The UOWx program connects you to more than 50 paid and volunteer roles that bundle your experience into a package for employers to see, while UOW's Career Ready Learning subjects can be taken as part of your degree. So, on top of learning in the classroom, you're also discovering what life is like in the workforce.

These are just a few of the reasons why we have a five-star rating for overall quality, student retention and support and learning resources.<sup>5</sup>

For further information visit [uow.edu.au/student/services](http://uow.edu.au/student/services).

1 QS World University Rankings 2016/17.

2 Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) 2016.

3 12th – QS Top 50 Under 50 Rankings 2016.

4 Top 1% – 2017 QS Graduate Employability Rankings.

5 2017 Good Universities Guide.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission requirements are the minimum qualifications you need before you can be selected for entry to a course. In addition to reaching the standard of performance required for one of the following entry methods, you must also satisfy any additional selection criteria listed for the course. The following qualifications may meet the admission requirements for the University.

### Australian secondary studies

#### 2017 Australian Year 12

If you are a 2017 Australian Year 12 student you will generally be selected on the basis of your ATAR or equivalent.

#### Offers made to applicants who have an ATAR below the published cut-off

UOW has a number of alternative pathways for admission, which may allow 2017 NSW and ACT Year 12 applicants to receive an offer to a course even though they have an ATAR below the published cut-off. They include:

- UOW Early Admission scheme (open to all states and IB students)
- Points to UOW program
- Bonus Points Scheme
- Alternative Admissions Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants
- Educational Access Scheme.

For details read following.

## 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. We'll get to know you, look at your results and reward your hard work with a place at UOW before you even sit your first exam. Applications open Tuesday 1 August 2017 and close Friday 25 August 2017. For further information, including the indicative criteria for each UOW degree, visit [uow.edu.au/future/early-admission/index.html](http://uow.edu.au/future/early-admission/index.html).

### Points to UOW

At UOW we recognise that strong performance in subjects relevant to the degree you wish to study can be an indicator of likely success.

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 or UAC's Educational Access Scheme. For more information visit [uow.edu.au/future/pointstouow](http://uow.edu.au/future/pointstouow).

### Bonus Points Scheme

If you have a UOW course as a preference and you completed your HSC in 2017 at one of the schools in our local 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 bonus is located at [uow.edu.au/future/school/apply](http://uow.edu.au/future/school/apply).

### Previous Australian Year 12

If you have previously completed an Australian Year 12 you may be considered on the basis of your latest ATAR or equivalent. If you have attempted tertiary study since completing Year 12, you may be assessed on the basis of these subsequent studies.

### Australian tertiary studies

If you have completed at least half a year of full-time study (ie 0.5 EFTSL) at a university you may be assessed on the basis of your academic performance (our Law degrees require a minimum of one year of full-time study; ie 1.00 EFTSL). If you have completed an AQF Certificate IV\*, AQF Diploma or AQF Advanced Diploma you may be considered for admission on the basis of those studies.

\* Successful completion of a Certificate IV does not provide entry to all undergraduate degrees.

### Overseas qualifications

Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia with overseas qualifications must contact UOW's Future Students office to discuss eligibility for admission before applying through UAC. For information on overseas secondary qualifications, visit [uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/overseas.shtml](http://uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/overseas.shtml).

If you hold overseas qualifications from countries where English is not the standard language of instruction, you must provide evidence of English language proficiency – visit [uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/elp.shtml](http://uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/elp.shtml).

### Alternative entry and pathways

If you do not have any of the formal educational qualifications specified in the above categories, you may qualify under the following categories for entry to the University.

### University preparation schemes

UOW College offers a variety of academic preparation courses designed for students who want to study at the University but who do not qualify for direct entry. It is the private college of UOW, located on the UOW Wollongong, Shoalhaven, Batemans Bay and South Western Sydney campuses, so College students have full access to the facilities of UOW while they study. For further information, see the UOW College course listed in this Guide, visit [uowcollege.edu.au](http://uowcollege.edu.au) or call 1300 367 869.

### Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT)

If you are at least 21 years of age by Thursday 1 March 2018, and do not otherwise qualify for entry to the University, you may apply for admission on the basis of STAT Multiple Choice. STAT cannot be used to gain admission to Engineering, Law, Mathematics or Physics degrees. For further details on STAT, visit [stat.acer.org](http://stat.acer.org).

### Tertiary Preparation Certificate/TAFE qualifications

If you have completed a TAFE Tertiary Preparation Certificate you will be considered for admission on the basis of your Tertiary Entrance Score.

### Limited ATAR

UOW accepts the NSW Limited ATAR for admission purposes – read section 2.4 in Part 1.

## EDUCATIONAL ACCESS SCHEMES

UOW has an Educational Access Scheme (EAS) to assist applicants who have been educationally or financially disadvantaged.

UOW EAS applications are processed centrally through UAC. Read section 5.5 in Part 1 for further information on EAS.

## EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS

UOW's Commonwealth Indigenous Scholarships are open to all eligible applicants applying to, or enrolled at, UOW. All UOW Commonwealth Indigenous Scholarships applications are processed centrally through UAC.

UOW also offers three types of Equity Scholarships: UOW Equity, UOW General Residential and UOW Mature Age Scholarships for new commencing students.

All UOW Equity, General Residential and Mature Age Scholarships applications are processed centrally through UAC. For application information, visit [uac.edu.au/equity](http://uac.edu.au/equity).

Read section 7.6 in Part 1 for further information on Equity Scholarships. UOW offers a number of other scholarships. Read 'Financial assistance' on this page.

## ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AUSTRALIANS

The Woolyungah Indigenous Centre's Alternative Admissions Program offers an alternative pathway for Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, over the age of 17, seeking entry into UOW's undergraduate programs.

If you would like more information about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Alternative Admissions Program, call the Woolyungah Indigenous Centre on (02) 4221 3776 or freecall 1800 735 592, or visit [uow.edu.au/wic/altadmissions](http://uow.edu.au/wic/altadmissions).

## BRIDGING COURSES

Bridging courses are available in Biology, Chemistry and Physics. The courses run in early February. Application forms are available at [uow.edu.au/student/enrolment/bridgingcourses/index.html](http://uow.edu.au/student/enrolment/bridgingcourses/index.html), or call 1300 367 869.

## ENROLMENT

Detailed information about enrolment can be found at [getstarted.uow.edu.au](http://getstarted.uow.edu.au).

### Acceptance of offer

Information about how to accept your offer can be found at [getstarted.uow.edu.au](http://getstarted.uow.edu.au). Read the inside front cover of this Guide for offer round dates.

### Advanced standing/academic credit

Credit transfer or academic exemptions may be granted on the basis of completion of previous tertiary studies. Applications should be made before the start of session and must be accompanied by full documentation of previous studies (including transcripts and subject descriptions). Visit [uow.edu.au/future/credit/index.html](http://uow.edu.au/future/credit/index.html) for more information.

### Deferral of offer

Most courses can be deferred for a maximum of one year although it may be possible to extend for an additional year under special circumstances. Contact the University for more information.

Apply online at [courseenquiry.uow.edu.au/webforms/DeferralRequestDetail.aspx](http://courseenquiry.uow.edu.au/webforms/DeferralRequestDetail.aspx) by **Saturday 31 March 2018**. Do not enrol if you intend to defer. For further information, visit [uow.edu.au/future/youroffer](http://uow.edu.au/future/youroffer).

### Fees and charges

For 2018 fee information, visit [uow.edu.au/student/finances](http://uow.edu.au/student/finances).

All Bachelor degree students must pay student contributions for a Commonwealth-supported place (CSP) and the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SAF).

For general information on study costs, read section 7 in Part 1. For more information about SAF, visit [uow.edu.au/student/finances/ssa](http://uow.edu.au/student/finances/ssa).

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

### Youth and student allowances

For details on Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY, visit [humanservices.gov.au](http://humanservices.gov.au).

### Scholarships

The UOW Scholarships and Grants Program supports a wide variety of students and is one way that we demonstrate our commitment to recognition, excellence, equity and diversity. For information about the UOW scholarships available and to apply, visit [uow.edu.au/about/scholarships](http://uow.edu.au/about/scholarships).

The on-time closing date for future student applications is **Thursday 30 November 2017**. For further information, call (02) 4252 8959 or email [scholarships@uow.edu.au](mailto:scholarships@uow.edu.au).

Read section 7.6 in Part 1 for information on other scholarships.

### UOW EdStart

UOW EdStart grants are awarded to undergraduate students in financial need. Recipients receive up to \$500 credit towards educational goods and services including textbooks, printing, course notes and calculators. Visit [uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/ug/edstartgrants](http://uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/ug/edstartgrants).

## 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 visit [uow.edu.au/student/life](http://uow.edu.au/student/life).

### Students with disabilities

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 (02) 4221 4942 or email [disability\\_services@uow.edu.au](mailto:disability_services@uow.edu.au) for further information or to make an appointment.

### Accommodation

UOW offers guaranteed accommodation to students in the first year of study, provided students meet the conditions, visit [uow.edu.au/accommodation](http://uow.edu.au/accommodation) for more information. 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 that is 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 2018. Further information about the residences, new developments, fees and the application process is available at [uow.edu.au/accommodation](http://uow.edu.au/accommodation).

### Exchange programs

One alternative to taking a gap year is to consider the International Exchange Program. If you're interested in travelling, UOW offers a range of options including short overseas courses to fully international degrees, meaning you can choose to learn in another country for a few months to a few years.

By taking advantage of UOW's 170 study abroad and exchange links in 46 countries, you can explore the globe while you study. Students can access a UOW Travel Grant or more than \$17,000 in an OS-HELP loan to assist with one year of overseas study (this can be added to your HECS-HELP). Subjects taken offshore can be credited towards your UOW degree, so you can still graduate at the same time as your peers.

For further information, visit [uow.edu.au/student/exchange](http://uow.edu.au/student/exchange).