

# INTRODUCTION TO SRS

<p><b>What are Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS)?</b></p>	<p>Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS) are one way institutions make early offers of admission to current Australian Year 12 students who have applied for undergraduate admission through UAC.</p> <p>Institutions use a wide range of selection criteria, including school recommendations and senior secondary studies.</p> <p>Institutions have their own policies on determining SRS eligibility and making offers. Institutions can, for example, make early offers based on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– SRS criteria only</li> <li>– SRS criteria and ATAR (or equivalent)</li> <li>– SRS and equity criteria (eg an Educational Access Schemes assessment).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Participating institutions</b></p>	<p>12 institutions are participating in SRS in 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Australian Catholic University</li> <li>– University of Canberra</li> <li>– Charles Sturt University</li> <li>– International College of Management, Sydney</li> <li>– Macquarie University</li> <li>– National Art School</li> <li>– SAE Creative Media Institute</li> <li>– University of New England</li> <li>– University of Newcastle</li> <li>– University of Sydney</li> <li>– University of Technology Sydney</li> <li>– Western Sydney University.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Key features</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Centralised UAC process, which means students only need to complete one application to be eligible for an offer from one of 12 institutions.</li> <li>– Offers made in mid-November.</li> <li>– No additional cost to apply.</li> <li>– Simple online process for schools and students.</li> <li>– Open to all Year 12 applicants who are attempting:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an Australian Year 12 qualification, or</li> <li>• an International Baccalaureate in Australia in 2020,</li> </ul>             and are UAC applicants for undergraduate admission for 2020–21.           </li> <li>– Not open to international applicants (students who are not Australian or New Zealand citizens or Australian permanent residents).</li> <li>– One permanent member of staff uses online rating system to provide a professional assessment of a student's five aptitudes.</li> <li>– Year 11 results for NSW students automatically received from the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) if your school provides a Record of School Achievement (RoSA).</li> </ul>
<p><b>What do schools need to do?</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Complete ratings.</li> <li>– Email <a href="mailto:SRS@uac.edu.au">SRS@uac.edu.au</a> with any queries.</li> </ul>

<b>Registration communication</b>	<p>UAC will send emails to relevant school principals each time one or more students submit an SRS application.</p> <p>The email will contain a link that takes the principal directly to the login page to access details of all SRS applicants from their school.</p> <p>Principals then need to advise their nominated rater to log on to SRS Rater (via <a href="http://uac.edu.au/schools">uac.edu.au/schools</a>) and rate each student.</p> <p>Email any queries to <a href="mailto:SRS@uac.edu.au">SRS@uac.edu.au</a>.</p>
<b>Key dates</b>	<p>Key dates for schools are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Wednesday 1 April:</b> Applications for SRS open.</li><li>– <b>Sunday 20 September (midnight):</b> Applications for SRS close.</li><li>– <b>Wednesday 30 September (midnight):</b> Deadline for completion of school ratings.</li></ul>