



Schools Recommendation Scheme

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Provides Year 12 applicants with the opportunity to be assessed on criteria other than, or in addition to, the ATAR.



Key dates



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2023

September	18	SRS applications close
November	10	First SRS conditional and unconditional offers released
December	21	Conditional SRS offers converted to unconditional offers

2024

January	11	Conditional SRS offers converted to unconditional offers
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To apply for the Schools Recommendation Scheme, you must be a Year 12 applicant who is attempting one of the following:

- an Australian Year 12 qualification in 2023
- an International Baccalaureate in Australia in 2023.

You must also be:

- a UAC applicant for undergraduate admission in 2024
- an Australian or New Zealand citizen, a permanent resident of Australia or the holder of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa.

How SRS works

Once you've applied for SRS, UAC will email your school principal to notify them of your application. There is no need for you to tell your school.

School ratings

Your principal will ask a staff member to rate you according to their assessment of you:

- capacity for abstract thought and analysis
- ability to organise ideas and articulate a position orally and in written form
- ability to work and learn independently
- motivation to achieve long-term goals
- capacity for tertiary study.

Note that participation is optional and UAC cannot guarantee that your school will provide ratings for your application.

Offers

Participating institutions can use a range of criteria when making SRS offers, including your:

- school's rating of your aptitudes
- Year 11 studies
- Educational Access Scheme (EAS) application (if applicable).

Each institution has its own policies on determining SRS eligibility and making offers.

If your application is successful, you will receive your offer by email in November. There are two types of SRS offers:

- unconditional offers (which have no further criteria for you to meet)
- conditional offers (which require you to meet additional criteria).

In November, you can receive **one unconditional offer** and one or more conditional offers.

Unconditional offers: Accept your unconditional offer, even if it's for your lowest course preference. You will automatically be considered for your higher preferences in later rounds.

If you receive an unconditional offer to one of your higher preferences and want to be considered for all your other preferences in later rounds:

- accept the offer
- log in to your UAC undergraduate application, go to 'Update course preferences' and move that course down to the bottom of your course preference list or remove it entirely (as long as you have accepted the offer, you can't lose it).

If you then receive an offer to a course in your new list, you can decide whether to accept it and withdraw from your original course, or not accept the new offer and keep your place in your original course.

Conditional offers: To convert your conditional offer to an unconditional offer, you must:

- meet the condition/s stipulated in the offer
- meet all other institution requirements for that course
- include the course in your list of preferences by 11.59pm 15 December 2023 (closing date of change of preference for December Round 2).

Unsuccessful applicants

UAC won't advise applicants who do not receive an offer through SRS. An unsuccessful SRS application has no effect on your UAC undergraduate application.

How to apply

SRS applications close at 11.59pm on Monday 18 September 2023. Offers will be based on your course preferences as at 11.59pm on Friday 3 November 2023, unless an earlier date is specified by the institution.

- 1 Submit your UAC undergraduate application.
- 2 Go to the UAC website, select 'Apply or log in' at the top right of the screen and then 'Schools Recommendation Scheme application'. Log in using your UAC application number and PIN. A series of questions and prompts will guide you through the application process.
- 3 Enter your Year 11 studies, if prompted to do so.
- 4 Upload documents, if required.
- 5 Review your application summary.
- 6 Accept the declaration and authority.
- 7 Download and check your confirmation of application.

Questions? Send an email to srs@uac.edu.au.

Please provide your UAC application number and full name in all email enquiries.

Application fee

There is no fee to apply for the Educational Access Scheme, Schools Recommendation Scheme or Equity Scholarships, but there is a fee to apply for undergraduate admission through UAC. The undergraduate application fee will increase at 11.59pm on Friday 29 September 2023.

Your email address

UAC will email you about your application, so you must provide a private (ie not school-based), up-to-date email address when you apply. To prevent emails from UAC reaching your junk folder, add the domain uac.edu.au to your list of safe email contacts.

It is your responsibility to check your emails regularly (including your junk emails) for any messages from UAC.

Support for applicants with a disability

If you have a disability and are having problems with the UAC application process, call us on (+61 2) 9752 0200 between 8.30am and 4.30pm (Sydney time) Monday to Friday or email us using the enquiry form at uac.edu.au/contact.

We will help you with your application.

Confidentiality

All information provided by applicants is treated as confidential according to UAC's Privacy Policy and institution privacy statements. Only authorised personnel at UAC and/or institutions will have access to your application.

Your personal information can only be released to a third party in special circumstances, such as where the law requires it, or where you give permission.

All UAC applications require you to declare that the information you provide is true and complete and to authorise UAC to use your information for specific purposes.

Read UAC's Privacy Policy and application declarations at uac.edu.au/privacy.

Participating institutions: 2023 to 2024

	Equity Scholarships	Educational Access Scheme	Schools Recommendation Scheme
AIE Institute			✓
Australian Catholic University	✓	✓	✓
Australian College of Applied Professions			
Australian College of Physical Education		✓	✓
Australian National University	✓	✓	
Charles Darwin University			
Charles Sturt University	✓	✓	✓
CQUniversity		✓	
Griffith University		✓	
International College of Management, Sydney	✓	✓	✓
La Trobe University		✓	
Macquarie University	✓	✓	✓
MIT Sydney			
National Art School			✓
SAE Creative Media Institute			✓
SIBT			
Southern Cross University	✓	✓	
Torrens University Australia	✓	✓	✓
University of Canberra		✓	✓
University of New England	✓	✓	✓
University of Newcastle		✓	✓
University of Notre Dame Australia		✓	✓
University of Sydney	✓	✓	
University of Technology Sydney	✓	✓	✓
University of Wollongong	✓	✓	
UNSW Canberra at ADFA	✓	✓	
UNSW Sydney	✓	✓	
Western Sydney University	✓	✓	✓

Details of participating institutions are correct as at April 2023. Check the [UAC website](#) for updates.

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