

**Transition Information Evening
Year 12 2017
Parents and Students**

Thursday 20 July, 2017

Before we get started

- ▶ Summary handout
- ▶ Open Days
- ▶ My UAC
- ▶ Destination Survey
- ▶ Higher Education Reform

HECS-HELP / FEE-HELP

- ▶ Students at Australian Universities and Private Colleges study undergraduate degrees in CSP and DFEE places. The student contribution rates are set by these institutions
- ▶ 'HECS-HELP' is a loan scheme for the CSP places
- ▶ 'FEE-HELP' is the loan scheme to cover tuition costs (full course costs) for DFEE places and is paid back when income reaches the determined threshold (25% interest rate)
- ▶ 'VET Student Loan' is the loan scheme for Diploma and higher level qualifications in the VET sector (20% interest rate applies)
- ▶ The threshold for 2018 is \$42,000 with maximum student contribution increasing by 7.5%
- ▶ Students must have a TFN (Apply on-line through ATO)

Support Schemes.

- ▶ The majority of institutions have an Educational Access Scheme (EAS) for students who have been impeded in their studies. UAC coordinates this program
- ▶ Equity Scholarships are also available through UAC. These provide support to financially disadvantaged students for study and cost of living expenses. This includes Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) and Institute Equity Scholarships (IES) – Newstart Allowance, Disability Support, Single Parent.
- ▶ The other financial support options available include Youth allowance, Austudy, Abstudy, Student Start up loans.
- ▶ www.humanservices.gov.au

University / Scholarships

- ▶ Alternative entry / Pathway options
 - EAS, Elite Athlete / Performer, ATSIA, Early Achievers, E12, Tertiary Preparation, Diploma, RPL , SRS and Bonus Points
- ▶ Many of the institutions offer 'merit' based scholarships
- ▶ Most scholarship programs are means tested
- ▶ Universities have a range of internal scholarship programs with various closing dates, for beginning and continuing students
- ▶ www.mq.edu.au/scholarships
- ▶ Industry scholarships/cadetships are also available through various universities and involve work placement as part of the degree.

Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS)

- ▶ Administered by UAC in 2017/18 (Not all Universities participate)
- ▶ Enables schools to support students in the application for early offers to undergraduate degrees
- ▶ Provides a simple online application and assessment process for students and schools (looking at your abilities and aptitudes))
- ▶ After lodging your UAC Preferences you can apply for SRS
- ▶ Closing for SRS is the same as for preferences – 29/09/17
- ▶ SRS offers will be made on 16 November 2017
- ▶ SRS offers can be 'conditional' or 'unconditional'

Bonus Points

- ▶ Bonus Points are added to your ATAR internally by the institution. They don't alter your ATAR.
- ▶ $\text{ATAR} + \text{Bonus Points} = \text{Selection Rank}$
- ▶ Regional and Rural Bonus Points
- ▶ Subject Bonus Points
- ▶ http://www.newcastle.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/141747/2016-HSC-Bonus-Point-Scheme.pdf

Applying to University

- ▶ UAC is the central office for the receiving and processing of applications.
- ▶ Processing fee of \$58
- ▶ Applications close on **Friday 29th September, 2017**
- ▶ Apply online
- ▶ UAC Pin Number will be emailed to you
- ▶ www.uac.edu.au

What will you need ?

- ▶ Your student number
- ▶ Your UAC Pin Number
- ▶ You can include up to 5 preferences in your application.
- ▶ After applying you will generate your UAC Application number
- ▶ Preferences can be changed using 'check and change' up until 3rd January 2018
- ▶ Round 1 offers will be made on Friday 12th January, 2018.
- ▶ Additional offers are made in late January and again in February

Going to TAFE ?

- ▶ Smart and Skilled and addressing skill shortages
- ▶ Unique Student Identifier (USI)
- ▶ TAFE NSW Higher Education
- ▶ Most courses have information / enrolment sessions
- ▶ Most are now 'on-line' application or face to face enrolment
- ▶ Certificate IV in Tertiary Preparation (TPC)
- ▶ Credit Transfer (TAFE Diploma to University Degree)
- ▶ VET Student Loans are available
- ▶ More information is on the websites
- ▶ www.sydneystafe.edu.au
- ▶ www.hunter.tafensw.edu.au
- ▶ www.tafensw.edu.au

Apprenticeships / Traineeships

- Apprenticeships and Traineeships are available in the traditional trades and in a wide range of emerging industry sectors. This can lead to well paid and satisfying careers.
- Pre-apprenticeship and pre-vocational courses can kick start your career by giving you skills prior to the apprenticeship in your chosen area.
- Australian Apprenticeship Centres (like ABL) can assist in providing information or assisting applicants in gaining placements
- Refer to www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au for further information.
- www.jobsearch.gov.au can be helpful in locating employers looking for apprentices.
- Group Training Organisations can also provide links to apprenticeships and traineeships: CCGT, MEGT, MIGAS, MBA, MTA and the Brick and Block Laying Foundation.



Australian Apprenticeships ▼

I want to become an apprentice ▼

Steps to become an apprentice

Who does what?

Employment Conditions

Group Training

Australian School-Based Apprenticeships

Existing Workers

National Skills Needs List

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Financial Information ▶

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The Australian Apprenticeship Support Network ▶

Programmes ▶

I want to become an Australian Apprentice

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So you want to become an Australian Apprentice?

Australian Apprenticeships are the best way to combine training and employment and they can lead to a nationally recognised qualification.

Australian Apprenticeships offer a range of benefits, they:

- Are a great way to get a head start in a chosen career
- Involve paid work and structured training that can be on-the-job, off-the-job or a combination of both
- Represent 'competency based' training which means individuals can complete their training faster when they reach the required skills level
- Enable existing skills and prior experience to be recognised and course credit granted, potentially reducing formal training time.
- Are available as full-time or part-time, including part-time in many schools
- Lead to nationally recognised qualifications and skills which provide the basis for further education and training over the course of a person's working life; and
- Are an important pathway from school to work.

Eligibility

Australian Apprenticeships (often referred to as apprenticeships or traineeships) are available to anyone of working age.

You do not need a secondary school certificate or other qualification to be able to start an Australian Apprenticeship.

You can do an Australian Apprenticeship if you are a school leaver, re-entering the workforce or as an adult worker simply wishing to change careers or gain new skills.

You can even start your Australian Apprenticeship while you are still at school finishing Years 11 and 12.

Private Colleges

- ▶ There are more course options and pathways available now than ever before
- ▶ In most of cases they do not require an ATAR
- ▶ Certificate courses to Diploma, Associate Diploma and Degrees
- ▶ Completed in a shorter time frame
- ▶ Great links to employment
- ▶ Course costs can be high (\$35,000) but benefits can be an advantage
- ▶ Fee-Help is available at most providers
- ▶ Many of the Private Providers like JMC Academy, Macleay College, Billy Blue and CATC participate in the UAC application process

Pathways to University

- ▶ If you do not gain your expected options there are always alternate pathways to achieve your goals (RPL)
- ▶ AQF Framework (National Qualifications) supports portability www.aqf.edu.au
- ▶ 'Newstep' at Newcastle University
- ▶ 'Insearch' at UTS
- ▶ 'International College' at Macquarie University

UAC Up-date

- ▶ Preferences are now 5 and not 9
- ▶ Teaching Degrees (Primary and Secondary)
 - * Child Protection Act
 - * Literacy and Numeracy assessment
 - * 3 Band 5's as a minimum one being English
- ▶ Courses can refer to Course Pre-requisites, Subject Pre-requisites, Assumed knowledge, Recommended Studies or Interview
- ▶ National Priorities eg: Education, Clinical Psychology, Nursing, Humanities, Social Studies, Behavioural Science, Foreign Languages, Visual and Performing Arts.

Employment Industries (Nationally)

The 7 largest employer industries:

1. Health Care and Social Assistance - 13%
2. Retail trade - 10%
3. Professional, Scientific and Technical Services - 9%
4. Construction - 9%
5. Education and Training - 8%
6. Manufacturing - 8%
7. Accommodation and Food Services - 7%

Employment Forecast

The industry sectors expecting increases in employment opportunities over the next 5 years:

1. Health Care and Social Assistance (23%)
2. Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (14%)
3. Education and Training (11%)
4. Retail Trade (10%)
5. Accommodation and Food Services (9%)
6. Construction (8%)
7. Transport, Postal and Warehousing (5%)
8. Public Administration and Safety (5%)
9. Other (15%)

Occupation Forecasts

1. General Sales Assistants
2. Registered Nurses
3. Aged and Disabled Carers
4. Child Carers
5. Accountants
6. Electricians
7. Contract, Program and Project Administrators
8. Chefs
9. Waiters

Skills Training

The largest apprenticeship and traineeship enrolments for the 15 to 24 year olds

- ▶ Construction
- ▶ Manufacturing
- ▶ Accommodation and Food Services
- ▶ Administration and Support Services
- ▶ Health Care and Social Assistance
- ▶ Retail Trade

Closing

- ▶ Any questions or concerns ?
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- ▶ Thankyou for coming along and have a safe trip home