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At the University of Wollongong (UOW) curious minds have a place to turn hard work into practical results.

Our graduates enjoy some of the best outcomes of any graduates in the country – high employment rates, high starting salaries, and the confidence that comes from studying a degree designed to create well-rounded graduates.

Our courses are reviewed often to make sure they're relevant to all the latest developments in both industry and the academic world. They're also flexible, allowing you to study across a number of disciplines and to transfer between degrees.

Drawing on a tradition of excellence in teaching, learning and research, UOW will help you find out what fuels your curious mind.

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UOW has been placed in the top two per cent of universities in the world by its performance in three prestigious international rankings:

- QS World University Rankings 2010
- Shanghai Jiao Tong Academic Ranking of World Universities 2010
- Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2010.

These rankings provide a comprehensive assessment of universities across a range of criteria, including research excellence, employer reviews and degree quality.

UOW is a star

We've received the maximum five-star ranking in six key categories in the *Australian 2011 Good Universities Guide*, which ranks Australian universities over a range of criteria. Our current five-star rankings have been awarded in the following categories: Getting a Job; Positive Graduate Outcomes; Staff Qualifications; Research Intensity; Graduate Satisfaction; Generic Skills; and Staff to Student Ratio.

More to challenge you

UOW offers advanced study programs for high achievers. Dean's Scholar degrees are aimed at high-achieving students enrolling at UOW. Students in the programs are assigned an academic mentor from their major area of study and can potentially fast-track their degree. Advanced degrees feature integral Honours programs, accelerated learning, and opportunities to participate in high-level research normally not available to undergraduate students.

Campus life at UOW

Outside of your study program at UOW, there are many chances to immerse yourself in the thick of campus life. UOW was rated number one in Australia for student satisfaction in the independent Sweeney Group's 2009 *The Uni Student Report*, when it asked students about their opportunities to get involved at their unis.

Excellent student support

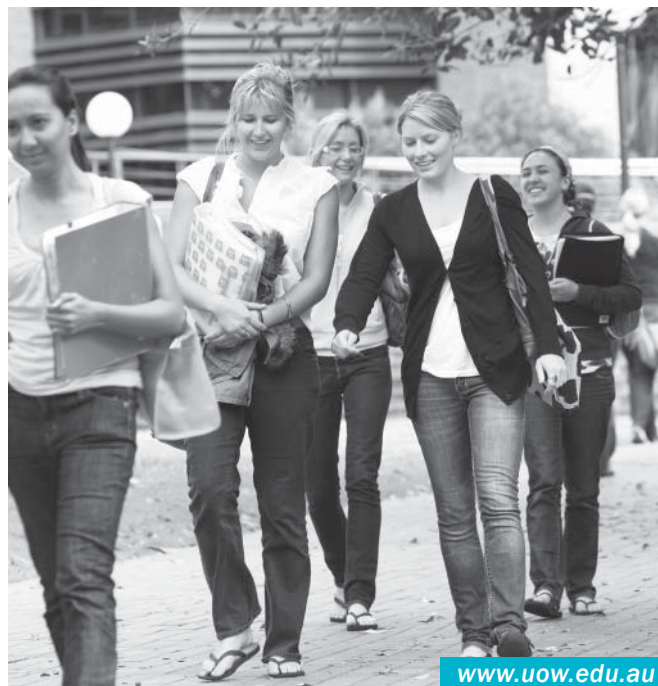
Learning is student-centred at UOW. Students enjoy close interaction with their tutors and lecturers and lots of support through a range of services. Students can access free workshops covering everything from essay writing and presentation skills to better study practices and time management.

Campus and location

The UOW campus is situated at the base of Mount Keira, less than 5km from the city centre and white sand beaches of Wollongong. We also have a number of other locations, including Nowra, Batemans Bay, Bega, Moss Vale, Southern Sydney and the Innovation Campus in North Wollongong.

The University offers state-of-the-art computer laboratories, online access to enrol in subjects and get results, and 24-hour electronic access to our award-winning library.

Shady trees and landscaped gardens span our spacious, modern campus. As well as outdoor sporting fields, students can use our full gymnasium and Olympic swimming pool to stay healthy and active.



At the centre of on-campus social life, the UniCentre provides students with a range of services and facilities, including many student-run clubs and societies. The award-winning UniBar attracts Australian and international live music acts. Cultural activities are not overlooked on campus with art galleries, market days, plays and music recitals playing a vital part of student life.

OPEN DAYS

Every day is open day at UOW. A student representative will take you on a personalised tour of our campus, including the Halls of Residence, at a time that's convenient for you (week days only). Call 1300 367 869 for details about campus tours and special events.

IMPORTANT DATES

Orientation	Tuesday 21 February – Thursday 23 February 2012
Autumn session	Monday 27 February – Thursday 21 June 2012
Mid-year recess	Monday 25 June – Sunday 22 July 2012
Spring session	Monday 23 July – Thursday 15 November 2012

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.

1 Australian secondary studies

2011 Australian Year 12

If you are a 2011 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 2011 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 are:

- Educational Access Scheme (EAS)
- Alternative Admissions Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants
- Bonus Points Scheme
- Points to UOW
- Early Entry.

For details read over.

Bonus Points Scheme

If you have a UOW course as a preference and you completed your HSC in 2011 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 bonus is located at www.uow.edu.au/future/bonuspoints

Points to UOW

At UOW we recognise that your ATAR is not the only indication of your potential to excel at university. Strong performance in subjects relevant to the degree you wish to study is also an indicator of likely success.

Therefore UOW rewards students who perform strongly in HSC subjects relevant to courses in their preferred area of study.

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 the Educational Access Scheme. For full details about Points to UOW visit www.uow.edu.au/future/pointstouow

Early Entry

Through the Early Entry program, you can be rewarded for your achievements in your best subjects with a place at UOW before you sit the HSC exams. Applications are assessed based on past academic record and interview/portfolio (where appropriate). See www.uow.edu.au/future/earlyentry/index.html

Previous Australian Year 12

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

2 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 Level IV Certificate*, Diploma or Advanced diploma you may be considered for admission on the basis of those studies.

* Successful completion of a Certificate IV may not provide entry to all undergraduate programs.

3 Overseas qualifications

Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia with overseas qualifications must contact UOW's UniAdvice office to discuss eligibility for admission before applying through UAC. Refer to table 7 in Part 1 for information on overseas secondary qualifications.

If you hold overseas qualifications from countries where English is not the standard language of instruction, you must provide evidence of English language proficiency. For requirements refer to table 5 in Part 1.

4 Alternative entry

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.

Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT)

If you are at least 21 years of age by Thursday 1 March 2012, and do not otherwise qualify for entry to the University, you may apply for admission on the basis of STAT. STAT cannot be used to gain admission to Engineering or Law degrees. For further details on the times and locations of STAT, read section 9 in Part 1.

University Preparation Schemes – UOW College

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 main campus, so College students have full access to the facilities of UOW while they study. For more information visit www.uowcollege.edu.au or call 1300 367 869.

Special Tertiary Entrance Program (STEP to UOW)

The STEP to UOW scheme is a tertiary preparation program offered by UOW College to increase the educational opportunities for young people in our regional area who have experienced disadvantage in their secondary education. For further information call 1300 367 869.

Tertiary preparation certificate / TAFE qualifications

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

Limited ATAR

The University accepts the NSW Limited ATAR for admission purposes – read section 8.8 in Part 1.

EDUCATIONAL ACCESS SCHEMES

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

For more information on EAS, read section 3.5 in Part 1.

The main closing date for EAS applications is Friday 30 September 2011.
The final closing date for EAS applications is Thursday 5 January 2012.

EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS

UOW offers Commonwealth Indigenous Scholarships which 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 Scholarships, UOW Merit Scholarships and UOW Mature Age Scholarships.

All UOW Equity Scholarships applications are made direct to UOW. You must complete the 2012 Undergraduate Scholarship Application Form, available from secondary schools and TAFE colleges (in NSW and the ACT) and the UOW Undergraduate Scholarships Office.

Read section 7.5 in Part 1 for more information on Equity Scholarships.

Read section 7.6 in Part 1 for more information on Commonwealth Scholarships available through Centrelink.

UOW offers a number of other scholarships. Read 'Financial Assistance' section on page 355.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AUSTRALIANS

The Woolyungah Indigenous Centre at UOW runs the Alternative Admissions Program (AAP) for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 18 or over. Both recent school leavers and mature-aged applicants can apply for entry to a UOW course through this program.

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.

INTERNATIONAL FEE-PAYING APPLICANTS

Some international fee-paying applicants apply through UAC International; others apply directly to UOW. Read sections 1.3 and 1.4 in Part 1 for more information on how to apply.

BRIDGING COURSES

Bridging courses are available in Biology, Chemistry and Physics. The courses run in early February and application forms will be available on enrolment day, or call 1300 367 869.

ENROLMENT

You must attend on-campus enrolments on a specific date. Detailed information about enrolment dates and times can be found at getstarted.uow.edu.au/index.html

Acceptance of offer

Detailed information about how to accept your offer can be found at getstarted.uow.edu.au/index.html. Read the inside front cover of this Guide for offer dates.

Advanced standing/academic credit

Credit transfer or academic exemptions may be granted on the basis of completion of previous tertiary studies. Applications may be made at enrolment time and must be accompanied by full documentation of previous studies (including transcripts and subject descriptions).

Deferment

Deferment requests must be received by Friday 30 March 2012. Do not enrol if you intend to defer. Refer to table 6 in Part 1.

Fees and charges

All students must pay student contributions for a Commonwealth-supported place (CSP). Read section 7.1 in Part 1.

For general information on study costs read section 7 in Part 1.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Youth and student allowance

For information about Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY read section 7 in Part 1.

Scholarships

You can download the 2012 UOW Scholarship brochure from www.uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/

Brochures containing full details of scholarships and application forms are also available from secondary schools and TAFE colleges in NSW and the ACT, and UniAdvice – University of Wollongong.

The closing date for applications is **Friday 30 September 2011**. For further information call 1300 367 869 or email uniadvice@uow.edu.au.

Read 'Equity Scholarships' on page 354 for information on other scholarships.

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.

To find out what it's really, like view our infomercials at www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation

Living @ UOW 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.

Applications for accommodation close **Wednesday 30 November 2011**. If you are thinking of living @ UOW, it is important to apply online well before the deadline as demand for accommodation is very high. Further information about the residences, fees and the application process is available at www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation

STUDENT AND CAMPUS SERVICES

Exchange programs

One alternative to taking a gap year is to start uni and then explore the opportunities for international travel and experiences while you study. This allows you to add an international dimension to your university experience, without extending the time it takes to complete your degree. The International Exchange Program provides an opportunity for you to study overseas for one or two semesters during your degree. For more information visit www.uow.edu.au/student/exchange

Students with disabilities

Disability Services provides advice, information, support and recommendations regarding reasonable adjustments, resources and services available for students with a health or medical condition, or a disability.

For further information or to make an appointment call (02) 4221 4942, email disability_services@uow.edu.au, fax (02) 4221 5667 or visit the office located on the second floor of the UniCentre building (Bldg 11). You are advised to contact Disability Services before the beginning of your first session of study.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information on UOW courses or events call our UniAdvice Office on 1300 367 869.