



University Preparation Program  
2024

# Your pathway to studying at university.



Academic Skills



Being taught how to learn was critical. Had those skills been taught to me when I was younger I might not have failed the first time around.

# Let UPP change your life

The University Preparation Program (UPP) offers a pathway to university study for people who are 20 years or older.

Perhaps you love learning but your study skills are a little rusty and your confidence needs a boost. Or you are looking to improve your job prospects or career progression with degree qualifications. Or maybe you have reached that time in your life when you can finally follow your dreams.

The UPP is a pre-entry program to help you improve your academic skills before you start a degree. It aims to introduce you to university-style learning in a supportive environment. Essay writing, notetaking, giving presentations, critical thinking, researching and sitting exams are among the many skills you will learn.

When you successfully complete the program, you can use your results to apply for further studies at UNSW or at another university which accepts the UPP results for entry. UPP students have gone on to study in many diverse areas from law and education to biological science, engineering and construction management. As one student said, it changes your way of thinking and opens a pathway to a better life.

## Program Outline

| Stream      | Program Length  | Class Time         | Timetable options in Term 1                                      | Examples of post UPP studies  |
|-------------|---|--------------------|--|---|
| Humanities  | 3 x 10 week terms<br>(Feb - Apr, Jun - Aug & Sep - Nov) | 2-5 hours per week | Monday evening, Tuesday evening, or Friday day                   | History, languages, literature, education, fine arts, architecture, social policy |
| Science     |   | 5-8 hours per week | Monday & Wednesday evenings plus Tuesday evening or Friday day   | Psychological science, biology, earth and environment, chemistry, physics         |
| Business    |   | 5-8 hours per week | Monday & Wednesday evenings plus Tuesday evening or Friday day   | Commerce, marketing, and other aspects of economics                               |
| Engineering |   | 6-9 hours per week | Monday and Wednesday evenings plus Tuesday evening or Friday day | Branches of engineering, eg. civil, electrical, mechanical                        |

## What does the UPP cost?

There are no tuition fees for the UPP as it is fully funded by the Australian Government. However, this situation may change so please check fee details prior to application - [futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/upp](https://futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/upp). There are other costs associated with study that you will need to cover:

- > Student Services and Amenities Fee (\$78.25 per term, part-time), letting you access all the services available for students at UNSW.
- > Cost of any course materials such as textbooks or calculators.

# How to apply

Applications are made through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au) using the UNSW UPP course code 430200.

Applications open in August and on-time applications close towards the end of September for the following year's admission. An on-time application costs \$70.

You can apply as late as January in the admission year (if places are still available) but the application costs \$200\*.

For more information on the application process, visit:

[www.uac.edu.au/current-applicants/undergraduate-applications-and-offers](http://www.uac.edu.au/current-applicants/undergraduate-applications-and-offers)

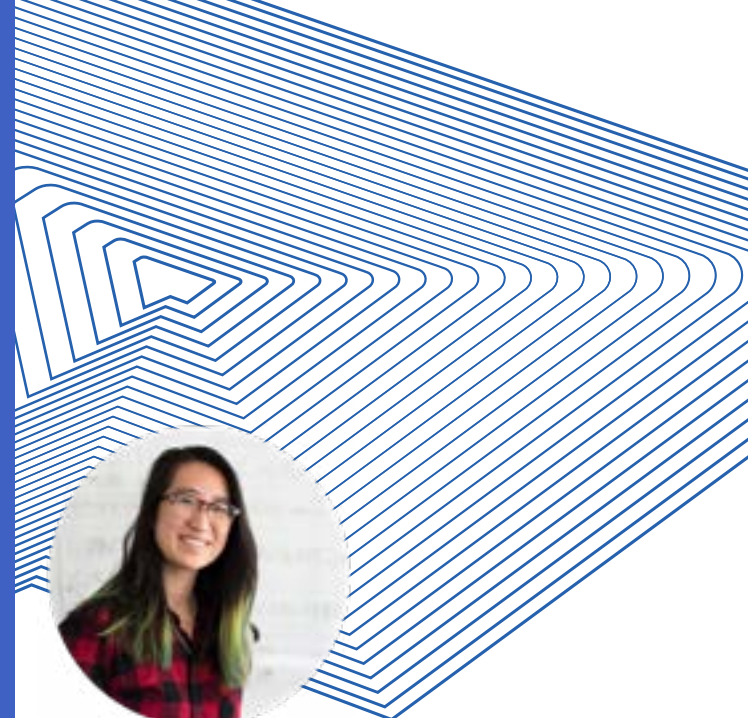
# Be part of the UNSW community

As a UPP student, you can use all the support services and facilities at UNSW. The university has a vibrant student community with many clubs, societies and social activities that you are welcome to join.

# From UPP to degree

The UPP is accepted for entry into an extensive range of courses at UNSW. You can also use your UPP results to apply to other universities. If you have any questions about your eligibility for a particular degree at UNSW, please contact our Admissions Office on **(02) 9385 3656**. Thousands of students just like you have completed the UPP and have gone on to study a wide variety of degrees.

\*The information in this publication is correct at August 2023. The university reserves the right to alter any program or admissions requirements herein without prior notice.



I truly feel that the UPP course prepared me massively for uni. What I learned about studying, researching, thinking and writing put me in an advantageous position for my first term.



I decided to do the program because it was affordable and accessible to me, and because classes were only a few hours each week, so I could fit it in around my work hours.

## Still curious?

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