Years 11 & 12
Gateway Admission Pathway and Program
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The Gateway Admission Pathway is a different way into university that recognises more than just the ATAR.

Who is eligible?
To be eligible for the Gateway Admission Pathway, students must:
• be an Australian Resident
• be completing an Australian Year 12 qualification in the year they apply
• attend a Gateway School (see pages Pages 26, 27 & 28) OR live in a low socio-economic status (low-SES) area. Visit our website for more information on eligibility.

How does it work?
Students will be assessed on two criteria:
1. Personal Statement
Students submit a Personal Statement answering three questions about themselves. Both the Year 11 and Year 12 Gateway Programs help with this, providing the tools students need to craft a compelling Personal Statement and apply for an early offer to UNSW.
2. Year 11 Results
Students’ applications will be considered based on their Year 11 results (provided directly to the University from the Universities Admissions Centre UAC).

Gateway Awards - All students who attend a Gateway school and apply through the Gateway pathway and enrol at UNSW in Term 1, 2025 will be guaranteed the $1,000 Gateway Award. Additionally, if students meet the criteria for low-SES they will receive a further $10,000 Advantage Award.

Receiving an Offer:
If a student’s application is successful, they will receive either an Early Offer or an Early Conditional offer.
If a student receives an Early Offer, they still must complete the HSC and achieve an ATAR. However, their result does not count towards admission.
If a student receives an Early Conditional Offer, they must achieve at least an adjusted ATAR, which will be significantly below the advertised Lowest Selection Rank for the course to which they apply.
UNSW may also call students to clarify their degree selection or information contained in their personal statement.

Academic and financial support for students who enrol through the Gateway Admission Pathway
Students enrolled at UNSW through the Gateway Admission Pathway are prioritised for UNSW Equity and Accommodation scholarships. They also receive exclusive access to transition and academic support.
Read further details about this on page 16.

How do students apply?
Students apply through the Gateway Admission Pathway portal on our website.
http://unsw.to/applytogateway

Key dates
There are two rounds for students to apply for the Gateway Admission Pathway:

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1 Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) criteria rank areas in Australia according to relative socio-economic advantage and disadvantage based on the Index of Education and Occupation and Index of Relative Socio-Economic Advantage and Disadvantage.

https://gateway.unsw.edu.au/
Student Journey

The Pathway into university through UNSW’s Gateway Program

1. Year 11 Gateway Program
   - Gateway Leaders Program
     This on-campus experience is for select Year 11 students who demonstrate leadership potential. Students are asked to identify their leadership strengths and then harness these to develop goals and strategies that make an impact in their schools and communities. They engage in workshops and participate in networking opportunities with other Year 11 students and University Ambassadors.
   - Year 11 Gateway Program
     This is a two-day on-campus intensive that allows students to explore a range of UNSW degrees. Students receive cross-faculty experiences and academic skills workshops, as well as opportunities to be immersed in the vibrant UNSW community. The on-campus days are supplemented by an online Gateway Admission Pathway information session and access to a suite of academically enriching online resources.
     
     Find out more about the programs offered for Year 11 on pages 8, 9, 10 & 11.

2. Year 12 Gateway Program
   - Applying for the Gateway Admission Pathway
     At this point, Year 12 students apply for the alternative entry pathway to UNSW. Successful students receive either an Early Offer or Conditional Early Offer.

3. Application
   - Support at Uni: Scholarships and Awards, Start@UNSW Program, Peer and Academic Support
     UNSW aids the transition of Gateway students to university by prioritising them for UNSW Equity and Accommodation scholarships and the Start@UNSW program. For some subjects, students can also take advantage of free bridging courses, peer mentoring and additional academic support. To find out more about Awards and Scholarships as well as Transition support see pages 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 & 21.

4. Transition to university
   - Life as a student and University Ambassador
     Our program is co-facilitated by current UNSW students, known as University Ambassadors, most of whom have come through the Gateway Admission Pathway. University Ambassadors serve as powerful role models who demonstrate the opportunities a university education can bring. Students receive faculty-based mentoring and guidance, as well as academic skill development and support. They also receive priority access to paid employment as a UNSW Ambassador themselves.

5. Participation

Support at Uni: Scholarships and Awards, Start@UNSW Program, Peer and Academic Support
Year 11 Gateway Program

Enhancing students’ academic skills, exploring UNSW degree options and preparing students for an early offer to UNSW.

Who
Year 11 students on an ATAR pathway who:
• attend a Gateway school, or
• live at a home address in a low socio-economic status (low-SES) area, or
• receive an educational scholarship from one of our partner organisations, including The Smith Family, Harding Miller Education Foundation, Country Education Foundation and Public Education Foundation.

Visit our website for more information on eligibility.

What
Students will:
• explore the range of degrees offered at UNSW through faculty sessions
• access English and Maths masterclasses and academic skill-enhancing workshops
• begin planning their application for an early offer to UNSW through the Gateway Admission Pathway
• visit the bustling UNSW Kensington campus for two days and participate in a cross-faculty experience
• join a community of highly motivated Year 11 students and meet current UNSW students and staff
• make informed decisions about future degree choices
• enhance academic skills to feel better-equipped to tackle the HSC
• understand what makes a stellar personal statement for their Gateway Admission Pathway application
• receive post-program support, including exclusive academic enrichment through InspirationED’s HSC4Me webapp and 10 sessions of personalised online tutoring through Cluey Learning.

Where
The program is delivered online with on-campus days in the first week of the July school holidays.

When
Online resources
Through OpenLearning
Resources available from Monday 29 April

Online workshop
60-minute workshop
Term 2, Week 9
Wednesday 26 June, 5:00pm

On-campus days
July school holidays
Monday 8 July and Tuesday 9 July
UNSW Kensington campus

How
Register at: http://unsw.to/RegisterGatewayProgram
What does the Year 11 Gateway Program look like?

The online program is accessed via the OpenLearning platform. It is designed so that students can do a little each day and choose the sessions that best suit them. Session recordings will be posted to the platform the following day.

### Year 11 Gateway Program (in-school)
- **60-minute pre-workshop**

### Year 11 Gateway Program (online)
- **OpenLearning access available from**
  - Monday 29 April

  **Online Session 5-6pm**
  - 26 June

### Year 11 Gateway Program (On-Campus)
- **On campus days**
  - School Holidays

  **July school holidays 8 – 9 July**
Year 12 Gateway Program

Preparing students to succeed in the HSC, maximise their ATAR and apply for an early offer to UNSW.

Who
Year 12 students on an ATAR pathway who:
- attend a Gateway School, or
- live at an address in a low socio-economic status (low-SES) area, or
- receive an educational scholarship from one of our partner organisations.

Visit our website for further information on eligibility.

What
During the Program, students will:
- explore the range of UNSW degree options available so they can make informed choices about their future education
- access HSC subject-specific masterclasses and academic skill-enhancing workshops
- have their burning questions answered by current UNSW students
- sit and submit practice papers in HSC subjects and receive personalised feedback from experienced HSC markers
- receive the tools to prepare a stellar written personal statement as part of the application process for an early offer to UNSW through the Gateway Admission Pathway
- learn about opportunities specific to them at UNSW, including scholarships, accommodation and other entry pathways
- visit the UNSW Kensington campus for two days and participate in faculty experiences and a campus tour, as well as having the opportunity to build a personalised timetable like a first-year student
- join a community of highly motivated Year 12 students and meet current UNSW students and staff
- learn key strategies to revise and recall content for exams and ways to make the most of practice papers
- receive post-program support, including exclusive academic enrichment through InspirationED’s HSC4Me webapp and eight sessions of personalised online tutoring through Cluey Learning

Where
The program is delivered online with two on-campus days in the first week of the school holidays.

When
In-school workshop
60-minute workshop
Term 2, Weeks 1 – 8

Online workshop
A 60-minute workshop
Term 2, Week 9
Monday 24 June, 5pm

Online program
Term 2, Week 10
Monday 1 July – Thursday 4 July

On-Campus days
July school holidays
Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 July
UNSW Campus

How
Register at:
http://unsw.to/RegisterGatewayProgram
This online program is designed so that students can do a little each day and choose the sessions that best suit them. It is accessed via the OpenLearning platform. Session recordings and information about accessing practice exam papers will be posted to the platform the following day.

What does the Year 12 Gateway Program look like?

Gateway Unlocked (in-school)
60-minute workshop - During school hours
19 April – 21 Jun (Term 2 Weeks 1–8)

Gateway Unlocked (online)
60-minute workshop - 5pm
24 June (Term 2 Week 9)

Gateway Program - Term 2 Week 10

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Students applying to UNSW through the Gateway Admission Pathway may be eligible for guaranteed awards or equity scholarships.

1. Advantage Awards
   Students living in eligible low-socioeconomic (low-SES) areas who enrol at UNSW in Term 1 2025, receive the $10,000 UNSW Advantage Award to support them in their first year of study. This is paid across the year.

2. Gateway Awards
   Students who attend a Gateway School and enrol at UNSW in Term 1 2025, receive the $1,000 Gateway Award to help their transition to university. This is a one-year award, paid in Term 1.

   Students who attend a Gateway School and live in a low-SES area, receive both the UNSW Advantage Award and the UNSW Gateway Award with a combined total of $11,000.

3. Community Plus Scholarships
   Students applying to study at UNSW through the Gateway Admission Pathway will be prioritised for a Community Plus Scholarship, although only a limited number are available.

   The Community Plus Scholarship covers on-campus accommodation expenses of up to $25,000 a year during a student’s undergraduate degree.

4. Equity Scholarships
   UNSW offers a range of Equity Scholarships to help students undertake full-time study.

   Students applying through the Gateway Admission Pathway will automatically be considered on the basis of the school and socio-economic disadvantage of the area they live in.

   Students do not need to submit a UAC Equity Scholarship application but will automatically be considered. However, they can also submit an Educational Access Scheme application through UAC if they would also like to be considered on the basis of:
   - Financial challenges
   - Severe family disruption
   - Excessive family responsibilities
   - Personal illness/disability
   - Refugee and humanitarian status

5. UNSW Co-op Program Scholarship
   The UNSW Co-op Program is a career development scholarship for high potential undergraduate students studying Business, Engineering, and Science. Co-op provides 15-18 months of industry training, professional development, networking and financial support, equivalent to $21,600 a year, for four years. The Co-op Program requires an adjusted minimum ATAR of 90 (including EAS) for students from Gateway schools or low-SES backgrounds. Up to four dedicated places are available through Gateway each year.

   Students do not automatically qualify for the Co-op Program through the Gateway Admission Pathway. They need to apply via a separate application process at https://www.coop.unsw.edu.au/unsw.to/coop-apply-now

Applications are open now, and close 30 September 2024.
Find out more about equity information and merit scholarships.
https://www.scholarships.unsw.edu.au/unsw-equity-scholarships
Support (Start@UNSW)

Start@UNSW is a dedicated support system designed to ensure a smooth transition into UNSW university life. The program links students with essential academic and support services, helping them find their place within the UNSW community.

What is offered:

• **HeadStart:** This pre-orientation day helps students prepare for their journey into university before they commence. It provides an overview of life at UNSW and connects students with key resources and support networks.

• **Peer mentoring:** Experienced students offer personalised guidance to support students through the realities of university life and study.

• **Weekly updates:** UNSW delivers weekly updates straight to students’ inboxes.

• **Peer-led check-in calls:** Students can connect with fellow students through our peer-led check-in calls each term. The calls provide students with the opportunity to share experiences, ask questions and build lasting connections.

• **Financial Literacy:** These workshops are designed to help students understand and manage finances, an important life skill.

• **Social Events:** Start@UNSW hosts several social events designed to foster friendships and create memorable experiences for students outside the classroom.

Academic Support PASS and other academic support sessions These peer assisted study sessions (PASS) are offered out of class to help students succeed academically.

Academic skills toolkit. These self-study resources assist with topics such as academic skills 101, how to stay on top of university workload, exam preparation, writing skills and more.

One to one support. Students can book an expert for one-on-one advice on how to improve their academic work.

Workshops and courses. UNSW offers regular workshops and courses covering academic skills.

Careers

UNSW supports students’ success when they graduate, as well as through their time at university.

The university offers employability programs covering personalised careers guidance and mentorship, as well as customised programs and employment opportunities for students who have entered via the Gateway Admission Pathway.
UNSW Arts, Design & Architecture

ADA Work Integrated Learning Stipend
• Students enrolled in a degree program with a mandatory professional placement are eligible for a stipend to offset some costs during their placement period.
• Indigenous students are eligible for an alternate stipend.

Textbook Support
• Students can access funding support to purchase a prescribed ADA course textbook via UNSW Bookshop when it is not available at the UNSW Library.

Materials Funding
• First-year students enrolled in a Fine Arts, Design or Built Environment program are eligible for an alternate stipend.

Degree Program Onboarding Pack
• When students accept an offer for an ADA degree program they receive a Degree Program Onboarding Pack, co-designed with current students. This is designed to provide information needed to start the program, as well as tailored information on support.

ADA Student Ambassadors
• Students receive first notice of available paid Student Ambassador roles within ADA. They are also prioritised for Student Ambassador professional development opportunities.

Peer Assisted Study Sessions
• Key first-year courses will be eligible for weekly Peer Supported Assisted Learning sessions. These sessions will be run by a peer lead who has previously completed the course. They are delivered by PVCESE (the Pro-Vice Chancellor Education and Student Experience (PVCESE)).

UNSW Business School

• The Educational Resource Access Scheme Bursary covers the costs of prescribed textbooks and relevant education related materials, such as calculators, e-books and computers. Read more on the UNSW website: https://www.unsw.edu.au/business/student-life/study-support/learning-support-tools/educational-resource-access-scheme
• Access to weekly Peer Supported Assisted Learning (PASS) for first year students at UNSW's Western Sydney campus in Parramatta.
• The potential of $5,000 towards unpaid or international internships and Work Integrated Learning (WIL) placements. These awards cover international travel costs and opportunity cost of time for domestic placements, where students forego the opportunity to undertake their usual paid work.

UNSW Law & Justice

• The Educational Resource Access Scheme Bursary covers the costs of prescribed textbooks and relevant education related materials, such as e-books and computers.
• UNSW Law & Justice Textbook Access Scheme's Paid Professional Work Experience Opportunity offers a paid professional internship with partner firms, as well as mentoring sessions and professional development support from the UNSW Law & Justice Careers Service. Students must apply for admission.
• Peer Mentoring and Support provides guidance and assistance from experienced peers and mentors, including academic and personal support.
• Dedicated revision classes before exams for core subjects.

UNSW Engineering

• Access to the Engineering Textbook Voucher Scheme to support the costs of prescribed textbooks.
• Dedicated small-group revision sessions to support academic progress and understanding of course content.
• Dedicated first-year social activities to ensure students establish an early sense of belonging to the faculty community.

UNSW Science

• Bursaries through the Science Textbook and Materials scheme to cover some of the costs of textbooks and study materials.
• Priority access to Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS).
• Access to a dedicated student support Moodle page.
• Monitoring academic progress through the Academic Risk and Early Intervention Scheme, to make sure supports are in place for university success.

Medicine & Health

• Bursaries through its Public Transport Subsidy Scheme.
• Priority access to Peer Assisted Study Sessions to support academic study (Known as PASS+ for Bachelor of Medicine/Doctor of Medicine students).
• Access to dedicated first-year social activities across all Medicine & Health programs.
UNSW is one of Australia’s leading universities and consistently achieves high rankings for its faculties and courses. Below is a snapshot of some of the recent global and Australian rankings the University has achieved.

### Medicine & Health
- Ranked fourth out of Australia, according to QS Top Universities Rankings 2024.
- Ranked 54th out of medical schools globally according to QS Top Universities Rankings 2024.

### UNSW Science
- Ranked first in Australia and 56th globally for Chemistry and Physical Sciences research according to Nature Index 2024.
- Ranked third globally for Materials Science by the QS World Rankings 2024.
- Ranked first in Australia and 30th globally for Materials Science by the QS World Rankings 2024.

### UNSW Law & Justice
According to the QS University World Rankings 2024, UNSW Law & Justice:
- Ranked first in Sydney, second in Australia and 12th globally for Law & Legal Studies.
- Ranked first in Australia by employer reputation.

### UNSW Engineering
According to the QS University World Rankings 2024, UNSW Engineering:
- Ranked first in Australia and 31st globally for Engineering and Technology.
- Ranked first in Australia and 36th globally for Electrical and Electronic Engineering.
- Ranked third globally for Mineral and Mining Engineering.
- Ranked first in Australia and 50th globally for Mechanical Engineering.
- Ranked first in Australia and 17th globally for Civil Engineering.

### UNSW Business School
According to the QS University World Rankings 2024, UNSW Business School:
- Ranked first in Australia and 35th globally for Business & Management Studies.
- Ranked first in Australia and 20th globally for Accounting & Finance.
- Ranked first in Sydney, third in Australia and 37th globally for Economics & Econometrics.

### UNSW Arts, Design & Architecture
According to the QS University World Rankings 2024, UNSW Art, Design & Architecture:
- Ranked first in Australia and 24th globally for International Research Networks in Arts & Humanities.
- Ranked first in Australia for Performing Arts.
- Ranked second in Australia and 27th globally for Social Sciences and Management.
- Ranked fourth in Australia and 48th globally for Arts & Humanities.
- Ranked fourth in Australia and 35th globally for Architecture & Built Environment.
- Ranked fifth in Australia for Art & Design, English Language & Literature, Modern Languages and Philosophy.
- Ranked first in Sydney, third in Australia and 37th globally for Economics & Econometrics.
What degrees can students apply for through the Gateway Admission Pathway?

Students can apply for all undergraduate degrees at UNSW Sydney, except degrees at UNSW Canberra. However, there are some qualifications:

• Bachelor of Medical Studies/Doctor of Medicine has a different application process – see Gateway Medicine Entry Scheme for more details at apply.med.unsw.edu.au

• Bachelor of Aviation (Flying) has considerable associated costs and final entry to the program is dependent on additional selection criteria. For more details visit bit.ly/Aviation_Flying

• Bachelor of Vision Science/M Clinical Optometry will prioritise places for regional and remote students, and less than 10 places are available.

• Bachelor of Laws does not require students to sit the Law Admission Test (LAT). However, students can still register for and sit the LAT if they would like to retain the option of entering the Degree through the LAT admission process.

• Co-op program has a different application process – up to four places are awarded to students from a Gateway school. For more details visit co-op.unsw.edu.au

Can students apply for an early offer if they do not attend the Year 11 & Year 12 UNSW Gateway Program?

Yes, any student completing an Australian Year 12 qualification who meets the eligibility criteria can apply for an early offer through the Gateway Admission Pathway. However, the Year 11 and 12 Gateway Programs support students to complete a successful application.

What is the minimum ATAR to gain admission into UNSW with a conditional offer?

There are several degrees that have an adjusted ATAR requirement of 65 through the Gateway Admission Pathway.

Adjusted ATARs for 2025 entry will be available prior to the first offer round. As a guide, the adjusted ATARs for 2024 entry are still available on our website at http://unsw.to/applytogateway

Does UNSW take into account further adjustments?

Students converting their early conditional offer into a firm offer require a raw ATAR that meets the adjusted ATAR requirement. That means no other adjustment is considered, including Educational Access Scheme (EAS) adjustments.