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Co-op Program



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What's New?

- Finance & Banking is no longer a default Honours program
- Indigenous Pathway

Reminders

- \$21,600* per year for 4 years – fortnightly installments (tax-free)
- Range of Program streams in Business, Engineering & Science faculties
- Equity Pathways



Who Should Apply?

A Co-op Scholar:

- Makes a significant contribution to their school or community
- Communicates and collaborates well
- Wants to be active and contribute within the university and Co-op community
- Has a genuine interest in a career in their chosen program
- Shows initiative, leadership and ambition
- Enjoys taking on a challenge and looks for opportunities to grow

Eligibility

- AUS Citizen/Permanent Resident or Humanitarian Visa Holder or NZ Citizen
- Min 96* ATAR or equivalent, unless entry to the degree is higher
- Equity Pathways Min 90* ATAR or equivalent

*NB Educational Accessibility Scheme (EAS) adjustment factors only considered

Equity Pathways : Gateway & Indigenous

Process

- Students apply through standard Co-op process.
- Identified internally and consideration applied in application assessment.
- Invited through to interview if selected
- **For Indigenous students** to accept their conditional offer confirmation via the UNSW process for evidencing Aboriginal and or Torres Straight Islander status.

Adjustment

- Adjusted ATAR base of 90
- Up to 4 Co-op scholarships each year*

Co-op Programs

Business

- Accounting & Business Management
- Actuarial Studies
- Finance & Banking
- Marketing

Science

- Advanced Mathematics
- Data Science & Decisions
- Materials Science & Engineering

Technology

Business

- Business Information Systems
- Commerce Information System

Engineering

- Computer Science
- Software Engineering

Engineering

- Chemical Engineering
- Chemical Product Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Photovoltaics
- Renewable Energy



Current Sponsors Snapshot



Co-op Program 2025 outcomes

1,003 applications submitted: (2444 program preferences) (↑) (1,596 remained in DRAFT!)

320 interviews conducted (280 interviewees)

39 scholarships to date (with more to come): 25 (Business), 11 (Engineering), 3 (Science)

42% Female identifying (♀) 58% Male identifying (♂)

*57% were working part-time during Year 11/12 & volunteering on a **regular** basis*

Diverse self-directed skill building activities incl. community leadership, entrepreneurial competitions/future innovator awards, coding competitions, podcasts, hackathons etc.

Successful Applicants

- ✓ Are authentic to themselves
- ✓ Demonstrate passion in their chosen discipline
- ✓ Respond to the questions asked and provide varying practical examples
- ✓ Illustrate leadership potential
- ✓ Show their understanding of and commitment to Co-op and our sponsors
- ✓ Applications are well written, proofread and not reliant on AI
- ✓ Are self motivated
- ✓ Reflect on their personal experiences and learnings



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Application Deadlines

Note:

Student application deadline is September 30th, 2025.

Schools Assessment Page (SAP) deadline will be later to accommodate term dates.

SAP support document in the SAP page – if needed we can assist you.

How to guide your students

- 1) **Encourage** them to register and start asap, complete well before Sept 30
- 2) **Request** SAP is submitted to you in a timely manner before the school holidays!
- 3) **Consider** their motivation for applying and which scholarship is best suited for them
- 4) **Remind** them interviews are in person on November 26th, must be available
- 5) **Advise** them to think carefully about their UAC preferences
- 6) **Remember:** There are Equity considerations for relevant cohorts

How your School Assessment helps us

Validation of information provided by the student

Provision of additional insight into the interpersonal skills and suitability of the student

Provision of other additional information relating to the student and their passion or knowledge for the field of study

Provide detailed information if you strongly support the application – your feedback informs every application

Information on unsuitable candidates



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More information:

Come see us at our stall during morning tea

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