



2018 TAFE & Uni Entry

We are here to help you through the whole tertiary entry process.

This flyer provides you with some key points. We encourage you to make an appointment (phone or visit) to discuss your university/TAFE choices and receive help with your application.

To use the links, access this flyer in digital format on the Open Access College website: www.openaccess.edu.au/students/pathways

We look forward to hearing from you and assisting you with your application.

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To make an appointment contact Client Services. Phone **8309 3680** or **1800 882 328** or email **client.services@openaccess.edu.au**

How do I apply for TAFE?

You apply online. Go to www.satac.edu.au

What do I need for TAFE entry?

TAFE entry varies depending on whether courses are competitive or non-competitive.

Competitive courses generally only offer one or two intakes per year. Applications must be made within the advertised dates for these intake periods. Noncompetitive courses can have immediate application and entry. Competitive courses rank applicants in merit order.

Students need to meet **Course Admission Requirements** - **CAR**. These do not apply for non-competitive Certificate I, II and III courses.

Further information can be found in the course descriptions on the TAFE website:

http://www.tafesa.edu.au/courses

The Core Skills Profile for Adults (CSPA) meets admission requirements for competitive courses. It is a tool designed to indicate reading, writing and numeracy/ maths skills.

CSPA information:

www.tafesa.edu.au/apply-enrol/admissions-criteria

Because there are so many entry points for TAFE courses, it is particularly important to talk to us about your TAFE choices. The Work Ready program includes both TAFE and private VET providers.

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For Semester 1 2018 entry, if you have made an application with at least one course preference by **Friday 29 September 2017** you will avoid late fees and can **generally** adjust and "fine tune" your preferences later. Check inside front cover SATAC guide for exceptions.

You can adjust your 6 preferences (add, delete, or change the order) until **Wednesday 3 January 2018**.

This allows Year 12 students to focus on exams and final assignments at a busy time in Term 3 and finalise choices later.

This application process video is very helpful: https://youtu.be/aemb_q3bz6l

KEY DATES for Semester 1 2018 entry:

General university closing date: Friday 29 September 2017

TAFE applications open: **TBA: See TAFE website for details**

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What do I need for uni?

University entry may be achieved through:

- Completing SACE gaining an ATAR
- Adult entry STAT (18 & over)
- Completed VET qualifications
- Foundation Courses & uniTEST

Some university courses require prerequisite subjects, or have assumed knowledge.

Download the SATAC Tertiary Entrance Booklet at http://satac.edu.au/documents/teb_2018.pdf

Tertiary Entrance pages 7 and 19-50.

The information and table on pages 23-39 of the SATAC *Guide* will give you details of 2017 ATAR cut offs. These cut offs should only be used as guides.

Am I eligible for uni bonus points?

There are two new bonus points schemes for 2018 entry, the **Universities Equity Scheme** (five points) and the **Universities Language, Literacy and Mathematics Bonus Scheme** (two or four points). These replace all previous schemes.

Universities Equity Scheme

Open Access College is not a specified school for automatic bonuses. However, students who meet one of the criteria below can apply for individual bonus points. Students are eligible where:

- they or their parents are in receipt of a Centrelink means-tested income support payment
- they are holders of a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- they are the holders of a School Card

You will be provided with instructions on applying for bonus points during your online application.

Universities Language, Literacy and Mathematics Bonus Scheme

Two bonus points automatically awarded for Stage 2 LOTE, English, English Literary Studies, Mathematical Methods and Specialist Mathematics. Maximum four points, minimum C- grade required. The maximum number of bonus points any student can gain is nine. Bonus points are added to your university aggregate, boosting your ATAR. Your SATAC Tertiary Entrance Statement **does not** show your bonus points ATAR. Contact the relevant university or SATAC for this information.

Further information: Tertiary Entrance pages 8-9.

SATAC website:

http://www.satac.edu.au/universities-bonus-schemes

Am I eligible for adult entry to uni?

The definition of "adult" is 18 years of age.

Special entry provides access to university courses. For SA, it applies for students who are 18 years of age or over before **1 February 2018**. For Charles Darwin the student must be 19 before **1 January 2018**.

Check eligibility on page 242-243 SATAC Guide.

The three most common selection criteria for Special Entry are:

- Performance in the STAT Special Tertiary Admissions Test
- Assessment of a Personal Competencies Statement
- Evidence of employment experience

SATAC Guide, pages 243-244 and online.

http://www.satac.edu.au/undergraduate-clarifyundergraduate-selection-2018

STAT preparation workshops are useful. Details page 245 SATAC Guide.

What are the non ATAR pathways to uni?

Students with completed VET qualifications can use these for entry. Eligibility varies – see pages 239 and 241-242 SATAC *Guide* for details.

Each university offers foundation courses. Check their websites for details.

Flinders also has uniTEST: http://www.flinders.edu.au/unitest

Talk to us if you are interested. uniTEST is offered at Open Access College.

KEY WEBSITES

The University of Adelaide www.adelaide.edu.au

Flinders University www.flinders.edu.au

University of South Australia www.unisa.edu.au

TAFE SA www.tafesa.edu.au

Charles Darwin University www.cdu.edu.au

Tabor Adelaide www.tabor.edu.au

Central Queensland University www.cqu.edu.au

Torrens University www.torrens.edu.au

SATAC (for applications) www.satac.edu.au

Work Ready (TAFE and Private VET Providers) www.statedevelopment.sa.gov.au/skills/workready