

Appendix 1 - Entry Schemes for Admission

Table 1 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Scheme

Purpose	The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Scheme facilitates access to tertiary education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (Indigenous) applicants.
Eligibility	<p>Eligibility for consideration under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Scheme is limited to applicants who have officially established their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status. For detailed information, please refer to newcastle.edu.au/our-uni/indigenous-collaboration/the-wollotuka-institute/study-with-us/establishing-status-within-the-university-of-newcastle</p> <p>Applicants seeking admission under this scheme will be required to participate in an interview conducted by a panel. The primary objective of the interview panel is to assess the applicant's potential and capability to pursue studies in the program they have applied for.</p> <p>Upon completion of the interviews, the Head of the Wollotuka Institute (or their nominee) will communicate the recommendations of the interview panel to the domestic Admissions and Scholarships team.</p> <p>Following this, offers of admission will be extended to applicants whose selection rank is within four points of the required rank for admission.</p> <p>This structured process is designed to validate applications ahead of the main UAC offer round or equivalent direct admission rounds.</p>
Requirements	<p>Prospective applicants are required to apply through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) and declare their identification as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. During the application process, applicants should specifically choose the University of Newcastle - Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Admission Scheme in the Alternative Entry section of UAC.</p> <p>For additional details, please visit newcastle.edu.au/our-uni/indigenous-collaboration/the-wollotuka-institute/study-with-us/entry/admission-schemes/atsi-admission-scheme.</p>
Excluded Programs	This scheme does not apply to the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine - Joint Medical Program. Instead, please refer to newcastle.edu.au/joint-medical-program/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-students/miroma-bunbilla-program .

Table 2 - Early Entry Program

Purpose	The Early Entry Program (EEP) is designed for current Year 12 students who demonstrated excellence in Year 11. Successful applicants may receive an offer before the HSC exams commence, providing them with early access to a variety of university learning and networking resources.
Eligibility	<p>Early Entry is available to domestic applicants completing one of the following Year 12 qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSW Higher School Certificate (HSC) • ACT Senior Secondary Certificate • International Baccalaureate (IB). <p>To be eligible for the Early Entry Program (EEP), applicants' Year 11 performance is assessed, and the successful completion of Year 11 is a prerequisite. Additionally, applicants must be undertaking a pattern of study that indicates they may be ATAR eligible in Year 12.</p> <p>Eligible applicants can anticipate offers being released from September in the year preceding admission. However, it's important to note that early offers are contingent upon the successful completion of the HSC (or equivalent).</p>
Requirements	<p>Applicants are required to apply directly to the University through the dedicated admission - newcastle.edu.au/early.</p> <p>Additionally, they must fulfill any other published requirements for admission.</p>
Excluded Programs	Please note that the Early Entry Program (EEP) excludes the Bachelor of Midwifery and the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine - Joint Medical Program.

Table 4 - Guaranteed Entry Admission Scheme

Purpose	The University provides guaranteed entry into selected undergraduate programs for individuals who have successfully completed eligible studies.
Eligibility	<p>Guaranteed entry is available to domestic applicants who meet the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. completed an Australian TAFE or other AQF qualification at a minimum level of AQF Level 4 (Cert IV); or b. completed a University of Newcastle enabling program in the last 10 years (prior to the admission year), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open Foundation/Open Foundation Extended; or ○ Newstep/NuChance; or ○ Yapug. c. completed a University of Newcastle pathway program,

	<p>such as a Diploma.</p> <p>d. completed an Australian TAFE or other AQF qualification at a minimum level of AQF level 4 (Certificate IV).</p> <p>e. meet any other published requirements for admission.</p>
Requirements	<p>Prospective students must submit their applications through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). Eligible applicants will automatically receive an offer, and no additional application is required.</p> <p>University of Newcastle students currently enrolled in an enabling or pathway program can apply directly to the University by visiting newcastle.edu.au/study/pathways/your-next-move.</p>
Excluded Programs	<p>A selected number of programs is eligible for guaranteed entry, as detailed in the Guaranteed Entry Admission Scheme Schedule. The scheme may be subject to amendments to include newly approved programs or exclude those that have been disestablished.</p> <p>The University retains the right to withdraw program offerings during the admissions period or choose not to offer any places in programs based on current student numbers.</p>

Table 5 - Newcastle Law School Indigenous Early Entry Scheme

Purpose	<p>The Newcastle Law School Indigenous Early Entry Scheme welcomes applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates who are in the process of completing senior secondary schooling or a University of Newcastle Enabling Program in the year preceding admission to the Laws (Honours) Combined program.</p>
Eligibility	<p>Senior secondary applicants for the Newcastle Law School Indigenous Early Entry Scheme are required to submit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> an expression of interest in studying law at Newcastle Law School; and a copy of two most recent school reports, demonstrating performance levels of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o English Advanced at 75% or higher; or o English Standard of 80% or higher; and o two additional subjects at 75% or above; or where the applicant has demonstrated circumstances that have impacted their academic performance, the Selection Panel may recommend an offer if the applicant has achieved a minimum of 70% in three subjects (including English); a letter of recommendation for the program from the applicant's School Principal, Year Advisor, Subject Coordinator or Careers Advisor; and confirmation of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Island status as per the University of Newcastle Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Establishing Status within the University Policy.

	<p>Enabling applicants must provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. an expression of interest in studying law at Newcastle Law School; and b. evidence of having achieved a distinction average in all enabling program courses; and c. a letter of recommendation from the Indigenous Enabling Academic Advisor and/or relevant Program Convenor; and d. a letter of recommendation from an Aboriginal Elder or Community member; and f. confirmation of Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Island status as per the University of Newcastle Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Establishing Status within the University Policy. <p>Senior secondary applicants meeting the admissions scheme criteria will receive an offer of admission in UAC - October Round 1.</p> <p>Enabling applicants who satisfy the admission criteria will receive an offer of admission upon successful completion of their Enabling program.</p>
<p>Requirements</p>	<p>To be considered for the Newcastle Law School Indigenous Early Entry Scheme, applicants must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. apply for admission to the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Combined through UAC (senior secondary applicants) or direct to the University (enabling applicants); and b. apply directly to the Newcastle Law School, before the advertised closing date. <p>The Newcastle Law School Indigenous Early Entry Scheme closing dates will be published annually on the University website and UAC.</p> <p>All complete applications will be thoroughly evaluated. Selected applicants will be invited to participate in a selection interview with a panel consisting of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the Dean of Newcastle Law School (or their nominee); b. the Indigenous Student Liaison of Newcastle Law School (or another member of academic staff); and c. a representative of the Wollotuka Institute. <p>The interview panel will recommend applicants for an offer of admission to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) and Vice President, through domestic Admissions and Scholarships team.</p> <p>Offers of admission to enabling students will be conditional on the successful completion of their current enabling program, while offers to senior secondary students will be contingent on HSC (or equivalent) completion.</p>

Table 6 - Newcastle Law School Refugee Admissions Scheme

Purpose	The Newcastle Law School Refugee Early Entry Scheme is available to applicants who are in the process of completing senior secondary schooling or a University of Newcastle Enabling program in the year preceding admission to the Laws (Honours) Combined program.
Eligibility	<p>Senior secondary applicants for the Newcastle Law School Refugee Early Entry Scheme are required to submit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. an expression of interest in studying law at Newcastle Law School; and b. a copy of two most recent school reports, demonstrating performance levels of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o English Advanced at 75% or higher; or o English Standard of 80% or higher; and o two additional subjects at 75% or above; or c. where the applicant has demonstrated circumstances that have impacted their academic performance, the Selection Panel may recommend an offer if the applicant has achieved a minimum of 70% in three subjects (including English); d. a letter of recommendation for the program from the applicant's School Principal, Year Advisor, Subject Coordinator or Careers Advisor; and e. confirmation of humanitarian arrival status. <p>Enabling applicants must provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. an expression of interest in studying law at Newcastle Law School; and b. evidence of having achieved a distinction average in all enabling program courses; and c. a letter of recommendation from the relevant Enabling Program Convenor; and d. confirmation of humanitarian arrival status. <p>Senior secondary applicants meeting the admissions scheme criteria will receive an offer of admission in UAC - October Round 1.</p> <p>Enabling applicants who satisfy the admission criteria will receive an offer of admission upon successful completion of their Enabling program.</p>
Requirements	<p>To be considered for the Newcastle Law School Refugee Early Entry Scheme, applicants must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. apply for admission to the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Combined through UAC (senior secondary applicants) or direct to the University (enabling applicants); and b. apply directly to the Newcastle Law School, before the advertised closing date. <p>The closing dates for the Newcastle Law School Refugee Entry Scheme will be published annually on the University website and UAC.</p>

	<p>All complete applications will be thoroughly reviewed. Selected applicants will be invited to participate in a selection interview with a panel consisting of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the Dean of Newcastle Law School (or their nominee); and b. a representative of the Centre of Excellence for Equity in Higher Education. <p>The interview panel will recommend applicants for an offer of admission to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) and Vice President, through domestic Admissions and Scholarships team.</p> <p>Offers of admission to enabling students will be conditional on the successful completion of their current enabling program, while offers to senior secondary students will be contingent on HSC (or equivalent) completion.</p>
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Table 7 - Schools Recommendation Scheme

Purpose	The Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) is one of the pathways through which the University of Newcastle extends early offers of undergraduate admission to Year 12 students.
Eligibility	The Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) is available to domestic current school leavers, considering the applicants' year 11 studies and the school's ratings of aptitudes. Eligible applicants can receive an offer in any of the UAC offer rounds, ranging from November Round 1 to December Round 2.
Requirements	Prospective candidates must initiate an undergraduate admission application through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) by the advertised deadline. Upon completion, applicants will be provided with a UAC application number, which is essential for commencing the SRS application process.
Excluded Programs	The Schools Recommendation Scheme does not include the Bachelor of Midwifery and the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine - Joint Medical Program.

Table 8 - Subject Spotlight Scheme

Purpose	The Subject Spotlight Scheme rewards applicants with an offer of admission to selected undergraduate programs, based on their performance in English and at least one related HSC subject.
Eligibility	The Subject Spotlight Scheme is available to domestic recent school leavers, considering the applicant's performance in either English Standard or English Advanced and one additional NSW HSC (or equivalent) subject.
Requirements	<p>To be considered for the Subject Spotlight Scheme, applicants must apply for undergraduate admission through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) and include a participating program/s in their preferences. Eligible applicants will automatically receive an offer, and no additional application is necessary.</p> <p>The participating programs are detailed in the Subject Spotlight Scheme Schedule. The specified HSC subjects and the required results (bands) for each program remain consistent for each admission intake.</p>
Excluded Programs	The Subject Spotlight Scheme Schedule may be subject to amendments to include newly approved and/or disestablished programs as needed.

Table 9 - School Based Traineeship (SBT)

Purpose	The University provides entry into the Bachelor of Nursing for individuals who have successfully completed the School Based Traineeship.
Eligibility	The School Based Traineeship (SBT) is currently in its pilot stage, exclusively open to Year 12 students who will be concluding their HSC in 2023. This opportunity is tailored for those embarking on their traineeship within the Hunter New England or Central Coast Local Health Districts.
Requirements	<p>For admission through the School Based Traineeship pathway, applicants must meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a current school leaver, completing the NSW HSC in 2023; and • Successfully complete the NSW Department of Education School-Based Traineeship, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HLT33115 Certificate III in Health Services Assistance (Assisting in nursing work in acute care); and 2. NESA HSC Human Services Course with codes 27109 and 27101 OR 27109 and 27102; and 3. Provide documentary evidence from NSW Health confirming the successful completion of 100 days (approximately 700 hours) of industry-based learning in either the Hunter New England or Central Coast Local Health District; and

	<p>4. Obtain a TAFE NSW recommendation letter for admission to the Bachelor of Nursing (40298) at the University of Newcastle.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSW Health letter confirming industry-based learning. • TAFE NSW recommendation letter. <p>Upon completion of the HSC and the upload of supporting materials to UAC, applicants must email the University of Newcastle Admissions and Scholarships team at Admissions@newcastle.edu.au for a comprehensive application review.</p>
<p>Excluded Programs</p>	<p>All programs are excluded except for the Bachelor of Nursing.</p>