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UOW’s Graduate Employment Success

The results of the latest Graduate Careers Australia ‘Graduate Destination Survey’ have cemented the University of Wollongong’s position as one of the best universities in Australia for graduate outcomes and employment success. The Survey found that UOW graduates have one of the highest employment rates in the country: 89.4% against a national average of 80.9%.†

A breakdown of the figures in individual study areas highlights the breadth of UOW’s strength. Our graduates recorded a 100% employment rate in five areas of Engineering: Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Computer, and Mining Engineering. 100% employment rates were also reported for UOW Economics, Nursing, Rehabilitation and Physical Sciences graduates. Other areas of particular success were Health (95.7%), Accounting (92.3%), Mathematics (90.9%), and Computer Science (89.9%). Our Social Sciences graduates enjoy a 94% employment rate – a full 27% above the national average.

These figures confirm the continuing success of UOW graduates, and build on the five star rankings awarded in the Getting a Job and Graduate Starting Salaries categories in the 2007 Good Universities Guide.

† Employment rate of all first degree Australian graduates available for full-time work. Source: Graduate Careers Australia, 2005 Graduate Destinations Survey.
UOW wins Commonwealth University of the Year Award

The University of Wollongong (UOW) has won the Times Higher Education Supplement (THES) inaugural award as "Commonwealth University of the Year". UOW was the only short-listed Australian university for the award, which was being run for the first time in liaison with the Association of Commonwealth Universities. The award, open to all higher education institutions in the Commonwealth excluding those from the UK, was focused on how universities achieved community engagement. There were 18 THES awards in total, with the "Commonwealth University of the Year" award being the only one open to universities outside of the UK.

More information about the award is available at:

Changes to application forms

New versions of the undergraduate and postgraduate application forms are now available for download at: http://www.uow.edu.au/prospective/international/applying/index.html

The Postgraduate application form has an expanded section on Work Experience that replaces the separate Employment History form (for MBA applicants or applicants using their work experience as a basis of admission). Applicants should note that supporting documentation still needs to be included, as indicated on the form.

Points to remember regarding application forms:

• All agents are reminded that the application form must be signed on page 3 by the student him/herself. Agents may not sign on the student's behalf.
• The student’s personal email address, if available, should still be recorded on the application form, even though applying through agents. It is important that we have this information, even though formal correspondence will still be sent to the agent.
• The section “Please specify the country in which you are currently located…” must be filled in to enable us to accurately target our agent support. This is of particular importance to agents recruiting students in Sydney

Entry requirements for the Master of Science in Logistics

Recent changes enable students who did not graduate with a major related to Commerce, Engineering, Maths or IT business/commerce, but have other relevant study or experience, to gain entry to Master of Science in Logistics.

If the degree is in any other major, then the applicant may be accepted if the applicant either:
i) has completed at least 4 subjects relating to commerce, engineering, maths or IT/computing in the degree;
OR
ii) can demonstrate an understanding of the business environment. This could be satisfied by relevant work experience (any duration) in a role involving supply chain/transport/logistics issues, including sales, marketing, warehousing or distribution; or through, for example, involvement in a family business, an internship or work placement or business project.

All Postgraduate Admissions Guidelines are available at the Representatives Website:
http://www.uow.edu.au/prospective/international/agent/ (Password = “representative”)
Updates to professional accreditation of UOW courses

The full list of accreditations of UOW courses has been relocated to the “Courses” section of the main prospective international students website: http://www.uow.edu.au/prospective/international/courses/
Click on “Professional recognition” in the second last paragraph to view the list. There have been several updates to accreditations, including CPA and ACS accreditations.

New advanced standing arrangements and admission criteria

New advanced standing arrangements are available to students with qualifications from the following countries:

China
Colombia
Malaysia
Hong Kong

Details are on the Credit Transfer website: http://www.uow.edu.au/prospective/international/credit/index.html

Informatics College (any campus) - The Informatics Group offers academic programs throughout the world.

- Students graduating with a 65% average from the Diploma in Computer Studies will be admitted to the following UOW courses: BCompSc, BInfo&CommTech, BInfoTech, BIST
- Students graduating with a 65% average in the Advanced Diploma in Computer Studies will be admitted to the following courses with up to 48 cps advanced standing: BCompSc, BInfo&CommTech, BInfoTech, BIST

NCC Education - NCC Education is a global provider of education and assessment solutions with Accredited Partner Centres around the world.

- Students graduating with a 65% average in the NCC International Diploma in Computer Studies will be admitted to the following UOW courses: BCompSc, BInfo&CommTech, BInfoTech, BIST
- Students graduating with a 65% average from the NCC International Advanced Diploma in Computer Studies will be admitted to the following courses with up to 48 cps advanced standing: BCompSc, BInfo&CommTech, BInfoTech, BIST

University Accommodation Services – Information for 2007

Information about University managed accommodation in 2007 is now available on the Accommodation Services website: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation/ A new Flexi-catered accommodation option at Campus East means residents can purchase their meals by pre-paid debit card and do not have to pay for meals they do not need.

A brochure on the 2007 fees and charges for University of Wollongong students staying in University managed accommodation is available for download at: http://www.uow.edu.au/about/accommodation/docs/fees.pdf

Materials orders

Please use this form when you require promotional materials to let us know which materials you
need and in what quantities.

**International Pre-Arrival website**

The International Pre-Arrival website provides practical suggestions to help commencing students
prepare for their time in Wollongong and highlights some of the items that students need to
organise before they leave home. New students can download a booklet of 2007 Pre-Arrival

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**New WUC Courses for 2007**

As mentioned in Agent Update No. 82 English for Business is now available as a 20 week
course. Details are

**English for Business (20 weeks)**

*Course CRICOS code: 059175A*

Available at: Wollongong campus AND at the Graduate School of Business Sydney

*Entry Requirements: IELTS 5.0 with 5.0 in reading and writing; or equivalent in another
recognized test of English.*


**English for Tertiary Studies (20 weeks)**

*Course CRICOS code: 059174B*

*Course available at: Wollongong campus*

*Course Dates:*

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*Entry Requirement: IELTS 5.0 with no band score lower than 4.0, or equivalent in another
recognized test of English.*

**NOTE:** English for Tertiary Studies is also available as a 5 week, 10 week and 15 week course.

**English plus internships**

*Course CRICOS code: 057131G*

*Course available at: Wollongong campus*

An internship is an unpaid placement in an Australian business.

The internship program consists of 10 or 15 weeks of English tuition followed by an unpaid
internship in an Australia business. Students can nominate to take an internship of between 4 and
26 weeks.
Graduates of this program will gain:

> professional skills and practical experience in their chosen career field
> improved English skills, with industry-related vocabulary
> experience working in an Australian business

which will increase their future employment prospects.

Students can be placed in a range of areas including:

> Accounting > Administration > Architecture
> Engineering > Event Management > Fashion
> Government/Social Services > Graphic Design > Human Resources
> IT > Marketing > Travel/Tourism

Course dates: every 5 weeks from 8th January, 2007

Entry requirements: 10 weeks – IELTS 5.0; 15 weeks – IELTS 4.5

To commence the internship students will need to show, through the results of their English course, that they have an English ability equivalent to an IELTS 5.5 with a 5.0 in writing.

Change to Entry requirement for English for Business (10 weeks)

Effective immediately, the entry requirement for English for Business (10 weeks) is IELTS 6.0 with 6.0 in Reading OR Writing, or equivalent in another recognized test of English.

Changes to Foundation Studies Programs (FSP) to enable access for students with lower English language levels

A revised FSP (3 Session) program will provide a pathway for international students who do not satisfy the English language and academic entry requirements for the FSP (2 Sessions) program.

Students undertake the 2-Session program subjects plus an additional English language subject, Academic Skills, over a 3-session period. The IELTS requirement for the 3 session FSP is 5.0 Overall. For the 2 session FSP it is 5.5 Overall. Details are:

Foundation Studies 3 Session
Course CRICOS code: 043942J
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Course Fees: $15,600
The fee for Foundation Studies (3 Session) has been reduced from $18,750 in 2006. As a result Admissions staff are currently reviewing offers for students commencing 2007 and reissuing the offers with the reduced course fee. In addition, partial scholarships of $2,700 available to selected students.
WUC 2007 International Prospectus now available

The new 2007 Wollongong University College International Prospectus is now in stock. All representative offices are invited to request copies on the Materials Order Form that can be downloaded from the Brochures & Promotional Material section of the Representatives Website as mentioned above.

Please discard copies of the 2006 WUC International Prospectus when you have received your consignment of the 2007 Prospectus.

2007 WUC International Dates and Fees flyer are also now available for order.

Commission invoices

All agents are reminded that we require a separate commission invoice for each student. Please send invoices for Wollongong University College enrolments (Foundation, Diploma, English language) to Melanie Zicker (melanie@uow.edu.au) and invoices for University of Wollongong enrolments to Kaye Osborn (kaye_osborn@uow.edu.au).

An invoice template is available at:

UniAdvice Christmas/New Year closure

UniAdvice will close for the Christmas/New Year break at 12 noon on Friday, 22 December and will re-open at 8.30am on Tuesday, 2 January. Wollongong University College will close on Friday, 22 December and re-open at 8.30am on Monday, 8th January.