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With over 30,000 students studying at UOW, we know that there's more than one way to get into university.

Not everyone comes to university straight from high school. UOW people come from all different paths, which is why we've worked with TAFE NSW to outline some of the pathways available for students.

At UOW we look into the future, we know how to take you further towards the career you want, and the skills and abilities you develop during your degree will help you stay there.

Inside you'll find the essential information on the different pathways available.

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I came to UOW as a Mature Age student after completing the TAFE Tertiary Preparation Certificate (TPC).

I left school in 2007 and worked for three years. I looked at the economic situation at the time and it was quite unstable. Jobs for unskilled workers were harder to come by, so I decided that I needed some form of tertiary education.

I came into this degree because I discovered a passion for mathematics after leaving school, so I thought, 'Well I really enjoy mathematics and I would like to apply it to something – so where might I be able to apply it?' And the answer was electricity and electronics.

There were a number of different pathways for Mature Age students but in terms of cost, the TPC looked like a reasonable option and when looking at different universities, it was frequently an acceptable form of entry.

TAFE is definitely more like university than school. At TAFE the best preparation that teachers give you is that they strongly encourage and implore people to go and find the answers, to do the research themselves. At the same time, because it is tertiary preparation, there is a strong level of support given to students.

When I was considering where to study I looked into Wollongong because I knew it was known for Engineering. A friend of mine, who had studied at UOW recommended the structure of the course and after visiting I found that at UOW there is a real on-campus buzz. That entertainment and collegiate atmosphere means it is more than just a place for learning.

My advice: don't be afraid to ask for help, you'll be surprised how much people are willing to assist you. University is achievable and when you put in a bit of work, you'll be amazed at how the results start flying back at you.

CONNECT: PATHWAYS

TAFE/AQF QUALIFICATIONS

UOW encourages applications from graduates of TAFE New South Wales and other Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) providers.

If you have completed any of the following TAFE or AQF awards then you can be considered for entry into most UOW degrees.

- Diploma
- Advanced Diploma
- Associate Diploma
- AQF Level IV Certificate (excluding trade certificates)

Admission is dependent upon the completion of the course and the level of academic performance achieved.

Some of our degrees do require a higher level of technical knowledge and the above qualifications may not be sufficient for entry. More information on entry requirements can be found in the CourseFinder at coursefinder.uow.edu.au.

UOW also offers credit transfer for relevant programs; this means you have to complete less units of study and in some circumstances may mean you can finish your UOW degree faster than normal. See page 5 for more information on credit transfer arrangements.

If you have studied a program not listed in this brochure you may still be eligible for admission to UOW with credit transfer. In this instance, the Faculty will assess your application individually. Please contact us on 1300 367 869 or uniadvice@uow.edu.au for further information about your options.

TAFE TERTIARY PREPARATION CERTIFICATE

The TAFE Tertiary Preparation Certificate (TPC) is a well-established alternative to undertaking a HSC course. Entry to UOW is dependent on the level of academic performance achieved in the TPC, which is converted to an ATAR. Please note the TPC does not qualify applicants for credit transfer.



CREDIT TRANSFERS

FOR TAFE/AQF GRADUATES APPLYING TO UOW

Credit transfer (also known as 'advanced standing' or 'credit exemption') is the awarding of credit towards completion of a UOW degree based on previous studies.

Many NSW TAFE Diploma and Advanced Diploma programs are recognised for credit transfer at UOW as they contain studies equivalent to individual subjects in some UOW Bachelor degrees.

HOW MUCH CREDIT TRANSFER?

The tables starting on page 5 advise which UOW degrees your TAFE/AQF qualification will provide credit transfer towards, and the maximum credit transfer available.

The exact amount of credit transfer granted may vary based on academic performance in your studies and other factors. The amount awarded will be confirmed when you are offered a place at UOW or at enrolment (see When Do I Find Out? below).

HOW IS CREDIT TRANSFER MEASURED?

All degrees at UOW are based on the awarding of credit points on the successful completion of each subject. Credit transfer is awarded as either 'specified credit' or 'unspecified credit' (see Types of credit transfer below).

At UOW, one subject is worth 6–8 credit points, with 48 credit points equal to one year of standard full-time study. Students may vary the number of credit points they undertake in a year, but 48 credit points per year is the standard used to calculate the normal length of a UOW degree.

- A three-year degree is made up of 144 credit points
- A four-year degree requires 192 credit points

TYPES OF CREDIT TRANSFER

The type and amount of credit transfer granted depends on the TAFE/AQF program and subjects completed, together with the program rules and structure of the UOW degree. If applicable, two types of credit transfer can be granted:

- Specified credit is granted when exact or near-exact equivalence to a UOW subject can be demonstrated. The codes for UOW subjects granted as specified credit are given in the tables starting on page 5.
- Unspecified credit is granted for relevant studies that do not exactly replicate UOW subjects. Unspecified credit is generally used for elective subjects.

UOW subjects are organised into levels (e.g. "200-level"), which indicates the complexity and depth of the subject in question. The level is indicated by first digit of the subject code, so ISIT102 is a "100-level" subject, and ISIT201 is a "200-level" subject.

In highly prescribed courses (courses with relatively few elective options) it may not be possible to use all unspecified credit from your previous qualification.

WHEN DO I FIND OUT?

If you submit an on-time application, you can expect to receive your application outcome by December. Late applications will be processed after on-time applications, and will be notified any time up until February. For application closing dates, please refer to uow.edu.au/future/mature/apply/closingdates.

If you submit your application on-time, and meet the entry requirements for your course, you may be able to book a Faculty consultation to assess your credit transfer straight away. Alternatively, credit transfer will be assessed at the time of enrolment. For those students applying through UAC for the Bachelor of Nursing, Bachelor of Nursing Advanced and all undergraduate Education degrees, credit transfer will be assessed at the time of enrolment. See How to Apply for more information.

HOW LONG WILL MY TAFE QUALIFICATION BE RECOGNISED BY UOW?

Credit transfer is offered for TAFE qualifications received up to 10 years ago. Please note: although you won't be eligible for credit transfer for TAFE qualification older than 10 years, entry to UOW is still applicable.

HOW MUCH TIME WILL I SAVE?

Depending on how much credit transfer you are awarded, you will have to undertake less subjects in order to complete your degree. In some circumstances, this means you may be able to complete your UOW degree faster than normal. The table below equates credit points with time

Credit transfer	72 credit points	48 credit points	24 credit points	6–18 credit points
Time saved	1 ½ years (3 semesters)	1 year (2 semesters)	½ year (1 semester)	1–3 subjects

If you gain 24 credit points, this could save you 1 semester of study time, provided the credit points can be allocated to subjects undertaken in the same semester.

Where credit points are granted but cannot be allocated to subjects undertaken in the same semester, this will not result in an overall reduction in time to complete the degree. In this case, students will have the benefit of a reduced study load for a period of the degree.

CREDIT TRANSFER BY ENTRANCE QUALIFICATION

The following tables show the credit transfer you can be granted to specific UOW degrees based on your entrance qualification. For each UOW degree, the maximum amount of specified and unspecified credit is shown. For those students who have completed a qualification not listed, you may still be eligible for credit transfer. In this situation, the Faculty will assess your application individually and award credit where available.

For specified credit, the UOW subject codes are listed. You can view complete course structures in the UOW handbook. Detailed descriptions of individual subjects can be found by selecting the handbook for the appropriate year and clicking on "Subject Descriptions" in the navigation menu at www.uow.edu.au/handbook.

The tables have been organised by career/study areas.

DIGITAL MEDIA, GRAPHIC DESIGN, WRITING, VISUAL ARTS

TAFE Qualification	UOW Qualification	University Credit	Maximum Points
Advanced Diploma in Visual Arts	Bachelor of Creative Arts	Unspecified: 12 Credit Points at 100 level and 12 Credit Points at 200 level	24
Diploma of Visual Arts	Bachelor of Creative Arts	Unspecified: 12 Credit Points at 100 level and 6 Credit Points at 200 level	18
Advanced Diploma of Screen and Media	Bachelor of Creative Arts	Unspecified: 12 Credit Points at 100 level and 12 Credit Points at 200 level	24
Diploma of Screen and Media	Bachelor of Creative Arts	Unspecified: 12 Credit Points at 100 level and 6 Credit Points at 200 level	18
	Bachelor of Journalism	Specified: Up to 24 Credit Points, depending on elective units studied. Unspecified: Up to 12 Credit Points	36
Certificate IV in Design	Bachelor of Creative Arts	Unspecified: 12 Credit Points at 100 level	12
Certificate IV in Visual Arts	Bachelor of Creative Arts	Unspecified: 12 Credit Points at 100 level	12

AUTOMOTIVE, TRANSPORT AND MARITIME BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION ELECTROTECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING AND MINING

TAFE Qualification	UOW Qualification	University Credit	Maximum Points
Advanced Diploma of Engineering	Bachelor of Engineering Honours	Unspecified: Up to 48 Credit Points	48
Diploma of Civil Engineering	Bachelor of Engineering Honours	Unspecified: Up to 48 Credit Points	48

BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION, EVENTS, TOURISM AND TRAVEL, HOSPITALITY AND COOKERY

TAFE Qualification	UOW Qualification	University Credit	Maximum Points
Advanced Diploma of Accounting (with completion of Cert IV and Diploma of Accounting*)	Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Business	Specified: ACCY111* Unspecified: 18 Credit Points at 100 level, 12 Credit Points at 200 level (depending on subject completed and academic approval, 6 Unspecified Credit Points at 100 level may be converted to ACCY112)	36
Diploma of Accounting (with completion of Cert IV of Accounting)	Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Business	Specified: ACCY111* Unspecified: 18 Credit Points at 100 level	24
Diploma in Business	Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Business	Unspecified: 24 Credit Points at 100 level (depending on subject completed and academic approval, 6 Unspecified Credit Points at 100 level may be converted to MARK101)	24
Diploma of Events	Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Business	Unspecified: 24 Credit Points at 100 level, 6 Credit Points at 200 level (depending on subject completed and academic approval, 6 Unspecified Credit Points at 100 level may be converted to MGMT102)	30
Diploma of Hospitality	Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Business	Unspecified: 24 Credit Points at 100 level, 12 Credit Points at 200 level	36
Diploma of Human Resources Management	Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Business	Unspecified: 24 Credit Points at 100 level	24
Diploma of Travel and Tourism	Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Business	Unspecified: 24 Credit Points at 100 level, 6 Credit Points at 200 level	30

*Specified credit for ACCY111 will be granted where subjects BSBF1A401A, FNSACC504A and FNSACC301A have been completed. Final confirmation of credit transfer will be provided by the sub-dean or their designee.

COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA, COMMUNITY SERVICES, WRITING

TAFE Qualification	University Qualification	University Credit	Maximum Points
Any Diploma or Advanced Diploma*	Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Communication and Media Studies Bachelor of International Studies Bachelor of Arts (Community, Culture & Environment)	Unspecified. 24 Credit Points at 100 level. 24 Credit Points at 200 level	48
	Bachelor of Journalism	Unspecified: Up to 36 Credit Points	36
Diploma of Communication and Media	Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Communication and Media Studies	Specified: Up to 42 Credit Points, depending on elective units studied Unspecified: 6 Credit Points	48
	Bachelor of Journalism	Specified: Up to 24 Credit Points, depending on elective units studied Unspecified: Up to 12 Credit Points	36

*If you have a diploma in a relevant Arts field you will be eligible for specified credit. This will be assessed individually on application.

ENVIRONMENTAL, HORTICULTURAL, RURAL AND ANIMAL STUDIES

TAFE Qualification	University Qualification	University Credit
Advanced Diploma of Spatial Information Services	Bachelor of Science	Credit is assessed by the Faculty
Diploma of Spatial Information Services	Bachelor of Science	on a case-by-case basis for these courses.
Certificate III in Surveying and Spatial Information Services	Bachelor of Science	
Diploma of Environmental Monitoring and Technology	Bachelor of Science	
Diploma of Conservation and Land Management	Bachelor of Science	

HUMAN SERVICES (COMMUNITY AND HEALTH)

TAFE Qualification	University Qualification	University Credit	Maximum Points
Certificate IV in Nursing (Enrolled Nursing)	Bachelor of Nursing	Specified: NMIH103 and NMIH104	12
Diploma of Nursing (Enrolled Nursing/Division 2 with three week, bridging course*)	Bachelor of Nursing	Specified: 48 Credit Points (all first-year nursing subjects)	48
Diploma of Fitness Diploma of Remedial Massage	Bachelor of Science (Exercise Science)	Unspecified: 6 Credit Points at 100 level	6
Diploma of Community Services Work	Bachelor of Science (Psychology) Bachelor of Arts (Psychology)	Unspecified: 36 Credit Points at 100 level, 12 Credit Points at 200 level	48
Diploma of Child, Youth & Family Intervention Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and other Drugs) Diploma of Community Services (Mental Health)	Bachelor of Social Science		
Diploma of Community Development Diploma of Community Services (Case Management) Diploma of Community Services Work			
Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and other Drugs and Mental Health)			
Diploma of Community Services (Development and/or Humanitarian Assistance)			
Diploma of Counselling			
Diploma of Disability Diploma of Youth Work			
Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care			
Diploma of Family Intake & Support			
Diploma of Youth Justice			
Diploma of Child, Youth & Family Intervention Diploma of Community Development Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and other Drugs) Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and other Drugs and Mental Health) Diploma of Community Services (Case Management) Diploma of Community Services (Development and/or Humanitarian Assistance) Diploma of Community Services (Mental Health) Diploma of Community Services Work Diploma of Counselling Diploma of Disability Diploma of Family Intake & Support Diploma of Youth Work Diploma of Youth Justice	Bachelor of Social Work		
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Recognition for prior learning (RPL) into the Bachelor of Social Science is assessed on a case-by-case basis. Please contact the Faculty of Social Sciences Student Central office before submitting documentation for assessment of your credit application. Phone (02) 4221 5962 Email: ssc@uow.edu.au

Recognition for prior learning (RPL) into the Bachelor of Social Work is assessed on a case-by-case basis. Please contact the Faculty of Social Sciences Student Central office before submitting documentation for assessment of your credit application. Phone (02) 4221 5962 Email: ssc@uow.edu.au

Recognition for prior learning (RPL) into the Bachelor of Public Health is assessed on a case-by-case basis. Please contact the Faculty of Social Sciences Student Central office before submitting documentation for assessment of your credit application. Phone (02) 4221 5962 Email: ssc@uow.edu.au

*For details about the Bridging programs, you need to contact the School of Nursing and Midwifery or visit the website at smah.uow.edu.au/nursing/courses.

HUMAN SERVICES

TAFE Qualification	University Qualification	University Credit	Maximum Points
Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care	Bachelor of Primary Education	Unspecified: 18 Credit Points	18
	Bachelor of Education - The Early Years	Specified: 36 Credit Points Unspecified: 12 Credit Points at 200 level	48
Diploma of Disability	Bachelor of Primary Education	Unspecified: 12 Credit Points	12
Diploma of Fitness Diploma of Sports Development	Bachelor of Physical and Health Education	Unspecified: 6 Credit Points	6

INFORMATION COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

TAFE Qualification	University Qualification	University Credit	Maximum Points
Any Diploma	Bachelor of Computer Science	Up to 42 Credit Points at 100 level and 6 Credit Points at 200 level	48
	Bachelor of Information Technology	Up to 42 Credit Points at 100 level and 6 Credit Points at 200 level	48
	Bachelor of Engineering Honours (Computer, Electrical and Telecommunications)	Up to 48 Credit Points based on units completed	48
Advanced Diploma of Network Security	Bachelor of Computer Science	Specified: ISIT102 Unspecified: Up to 66 Credit Points	72
	Bachelor of Business Information Systems	Specified: ISIT102, ISIT105, ECTE182, ISIT201 Unspecified: Up to 48 Credit Points	72
	Bachelor of Information Technology	Specified: ISIT102, ISIT105, ECTE182, ISIT201 Unspecified: Up to 48 Credit Points	72
Diploma of Electrical Engineering	Bachelor of Engineering Honours (Computer, Electrical and Telecommunications)	Unspecified: Up to 48 Credit Points	48

HOW TO APPLY

As a TAFE/AQF graduate in most cases* you have a choice about how you apply to UOW. You can either apply directly to UOW by completing a direct application or apply through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC), for more info go to www.uac.edu.au.

We welcome direct applications for most courses* which are free and provide a personalised service where you can talk with us about your individual circumstances. We will keep you updated on the progress of your application and you will generally find out the result of your application sooner than when you apply through UAC. You can obtain a direct application form from us or from our website: uow.edu.au/future/mature/apply.

*Applications for the Bachelor of Nursing, Bachelor of Nursing Advanced and all undergraduate Education degrees must be made through UAC.

MAKING A DIRECT APPLICATION

1. FIND THE COURSE YOU WANT TO STUDY

The tables starting on page 5 show which UOW degrees your TAFE qualification will give you credit transfer for. You can find detailed information on all courses online in the UOW CourseFinder at coursefinder.uow.edu.au. Alternatively, you can contact our Admissions Advice Team on 1300 367 869 to discuss options or have a course directory mailed to you.

2. COMPLETE AN APPLICATION

All direct applications can be made online through apply.uow.edu.au. You can save your incomplete application and return to it later. Alternatively, you can download a hardcopy application form from uow.edu.au/future/mature/apply or contact us on 1300 367 869 or uniadvice@uow.edu.au and request one be sent to you.

3. SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Once your application is submitted, we will send you an acknowledgement email, which will advise you of your UOW student number (used for further enquiries), when you can expect to hear the outcome of your application, key contacts and your next steps.

NOTE: we encourage submission of applications by 30 September closing date due to some high demand courses filling up early. Late applications may be considered where places are available.

4. APPLICATION OUTCOMES

If your application is successful, you will receive a formal offer to study at UOW.

- If you submitted your complete academic transcripts and your TAFE results meet the required ATAR equivalent, you will receive an offer letter for your chosen degree.
- If you submitted incomplete transcripts demonstrating strong academic results, you will receive an offer that is conditional on successful completion of your TAFE program with appropriate marks.

MAKING A UAC APPLICATION

UOW accepts applications for all undergraduate courses through UAC. For the Bachelor of Nursing, Bachelor of Nursing Advanced and all undergraduate Education degrees, applications MUST be submitted through UAC. For more information, closing dates and to apply through UAC go to www.uac.edu.au.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

As part of your application, you will be asked to submit certified copies of your TAFE academic transcripts. To obtain a 'certified' copy, you will need to take the original documents along with copies to an authorised person. The authorised person will check that the copies are exact copies of the original and then 'certify' them by signing (and possibly stamping) the copies. They must also print their name, provide their phone number and the occupation or position that qualifies them to certify documents.

People who are authorised to certify copies are:

- ③ TAFE or UniAdvice officers
- ③ Justice of the Peace (JP)
- ③ Accountant or registered tax agent
- ③ Manager of a bank or credit union
- ③ Barrister, Solicitor or Patent Attorney
- ③ Post Office Manager
- ③ Police Officer

IF YOU DON'T HAVE YOUR RESULTS WHEN APPLICATIONS CLOSE

Sometimes TAFE students applying to UOW won't have their final results by 30 September. In this case, applicants can submit their application with half-yearly results (i.e. an incomplete academic transcript) and supply final results as soon as they are available. Please note that credit transfer cannot be awarded until certified final TAFE results have been submitted to UOW.

LEARN MORE

GENERAL ENQUIRIES

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