UNSW Prep
Your pathway to studying at UNSW
UNSW Prep is specifically designed for school leavers aged 17-19 to help you gain the skills and confidence needed for academic success.

You will build your skills in research, critical thinking and essay writing so you’re better equipped for university study. When you successfully complete the program, you will be eligible for entry into a UNSW degree program.

Who can apply?
To be eligible for UNSW Prep, you will need to meet the following criteria:

- Be 17-19 years of age on 1 March of your commencing year
- Be an Australian citizen, New Zealand citizen or hold a current Australian Permanent Resident Visa
- Be eligible for the UNSW ACCESS Scheme (see panel)
- Have an ATAR of 50 or above, or be an Indigenous applicant applying via the UNSW Indigenous Admission Scheme

How does UNSW Prep work?
The program teaches you the academic skills needed for university-style learning.

It runs for three terms (or four for Engineering) at UNSW's Kensington campus.

You decide which of the following areas you’re interested in studying:

- Arts & Social Sciences
- Business
- Science
- Engineering

You will need to complete two subjects each term. Some subjects are compulsory and others you will be able to choose. There will be lectures, small in-class tutorials and independent study time.
**UNSW Prep to UNSW degree**

Your final grades in UNSW Prep will be calculated to give you access to a range of degree programs here at UNSW. At uni this mark is called a WAM – Weighted Average Mark. It's the average mark you achieve across all completed units in a course.

**And the good news is…**

Once you complete UNSW Prep and start studying at UNSW, you will already have some credit towards your degree.

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*More information can be found on the UNSW Prep website: futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/unswprep17-19
How much does UNSW Prep cost?
UNSW Prep is free of tuition fees – these are covered by the Australian Government.
However, this situation might change so please check fee details prior to application - futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/unswprep17-19.
There are other costs associated with study that you will need to cover:
• Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) which is about $145 per term. This helps cover costs of all the non-academic student services, sporting and recreational activities etc.
• You will have to buy or borrow course materials such as textbooks, calculators, lab coats etc.

When do applications open?
Applications open in early August and on-time applications close in late September each year.

How to apply
1. Apply online via the University Admissions Centre’s (UAC) online system uac.edu.au using the following course codes:
   • Science (430130)
   • Engineering (430120)
   • Arts & Social Sciences (430100)
   • Business (430110)
2. You will need to prepare a personal statement that must be uploaded with your UAC application. The personal statement is your chance to share why you have chosen UNSW Prep and what makes you a suitable candidate. Instructions for completing and uploading your personal statement, including key dates, can be found on the UNSW Prep website: futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/unswprep17-19.
3. A phone interview may also be required for entry into UNSW before each offer round.

Want to know more?
If you have any questions about UNSW Prep, studying at UNSW or need other information about applying, please contact The Learning Centre.
The Learning Centre
T: 02 9385 2060
E: unswprep@unsw.edu.au
For more information, visit www.unsw.edu.au/unswprep17-19

Be part of student life!
If you enrol in UNSW Prep, you will be part of UNSW’s vibrant student community and all it has to offer. There’s something for everyone at uni. You will have full use of the facilities on campus and access to all the sport, clubs and societies you have time to join. There’s plenty of fun on campus and opportunities to make new friends. The social events are great and lots of them are free which is a bonus! All these will help you find your place in the university community.

Things you need to know

“UNSW Prep was amazing because it was the second chance I never thought I would get.”