

September 2017 SATAC Bulletin



Introduction

The SATAC Bulletin is published for the information of school staff and others who provide advice to prospective tertiary students.

It provides information and updates on SATAC services, courses available through SATAC, and the admissions process.

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Removal of SATAC fax number and new postal address

SATAC would like to advise that we have now removed the fax facility and number for correspondence.

SATAC no longer has a PO Box, for all mail correspondence please send to:

SATAC 104 Frome Street

Adelaide

SA 5000

Use of STAT for entry to Higher Education level TAFE SA courses

TAFE SA has now advised that the Special Tertiary Admission Test (STAT) may be used to meet entry requirements for higher education courses.

For more information on these courses please visit the <u>SATAC website</u>.

University subjects in Recognised Studies

Students who wish to study university subjects as part of the Recognised Studies component of their SACE Stage 2 studies need to ensure that these subjects are approved the year before they wish to study them.

Even though a subject is listed on a university extension studies list this does NOT mean it is approved.

University subjects used as Recognised Studies can also form subject preclusions if they are similar to a SACE Stage 2 subject.

Changes to the Bachelor of Dental Surgery at the University of Adelaide

The Bachelor of Dental Surgery (SATAC course code 314122) no longer has an Assumed Knowledge component of Stage 2 Chemistry and Physics.

New structure of web and communications to schools

SATAC has recently made a number of changes to the way information for students and schools is presented on the SATAC website.

Resources for students and Resources for schools contain important information about a range of SATAC processes affecting students and schools, including the Universities Bonus Schemes, information for students completing the SACE/NTCET, upcoming changes to SACE/NTCET subjects for tertiary entry in 2018 and 2019, as well as access to Applicants by School web.

Both can be accessed from the homepage.

Current year 12 students who are completing an Australian year 12 program, or the International Baccalaureate Diploma program, should use the Resources for students section to access information that explains the entry requirements for courses offered through SATAC.

To help with subject choices, students completing the SACE/NTCET can also find information about the rules which affect entry to university and TAFE SA courses on our website.

For students in years 10 and 11 there is information about planned changes to tertiary entry in the coming years to help with their year 12 subject choices.

The Resources for schools section provides information and resources to assist schools, teachers and counsellors in planning and coordinating aspects of the SATAC process for their students. In this section you will find information about upcoming changes to SACE/NTCET subjects for tertiary entry in 2018 and 2019, Recognised Studies, the Universities Bonus Schemes, and communications SATAC has had with your school

Changes to Applicants by School web

The SATAC Applicants by School web page no longer displays information about a given school's TAFE SA applicants. The reason for this change relates to TAFE SA's current selection methodology in that the vast majority of TAFE SA courses offered through SATAC have no Course Admission Requirements (CAR). Unless a SATAC TAFE SA applicant applies for a course which requires year 12 completion for entry, they will never be asked to provide their year 12 candidate number within their SATAC application hence SATAC has no mechanism by which to verify their status as a current year 12 student, nor their school of enrolment.

Please be aware that access to the Applicants by School web page is restricted. By now, your school should have received its updated username and password to access this web page. If you have not received it please contact schoolsweb@satac.edu.au

2018 applications

Undergraduate applications for 2018

Undergraduate applications for courses starting in 2018 are open now.

The early closing date is Friday 29 September 2017, after which a late fee applies. View SATAC's <u>undergraduate fees</u> page for important information about SATAC's fees.

Friday 29 September is also the final closing date for Creative Arts (Drama) at Flinders University, and for Medicine/Surgery (including Bonded Medical place), Dental Surgery, Oral Health and Veterinary Bioscience at the University of Adelaide. Late applications not accepted.

Students are advised to check the <u>Undergraduate Key Dates</u> page of SATAC's website for details of courses with final closing dates.

It's important for current year 12 students to provide their SACE registration number in their SATAC application.

This ensures that SATAC can obtain their year 12 results once they are released by the SACE Board in December, and that they pay the reduced processing fee.

SATAC may also be able to identify if a student is likely to be entitled to a school-based equity bonus under the Universities Equity Scheme. Such students will be advised in their SATAC Undergraduate application.

When registering their application with SATAC, students should use a personal email address which they check regularly. It is recommended that students do not register using their school email address as their SATAC Undergraduate 2018 application will remain valid until November 2018, when most students will no longer have access to their school email accounts.

Once students have registered with SATAC using their personal email address it's also a good idea to add SATAC's email address to the 'whitelist' on their spam filter. This will prevent emails from SATAC being sent to the spam folder. The student's email client should provide instructions on how to do this.

TAFE SA applications for 2018

Applications for TAFE SA courses starting in semester 1 2018 opened on Monday 25 September.

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Key dates for courses starting in 2018

For a full list of SATAC key dates and offer round dates visit the <u>SATAC website</u>.

Undergraduate applications

Friday 29 September 2017

Early closing date for semester 1 entry to most undergraduate courses. Apply by this date to save paying a late fee.

Final closing date for Creative Arts (Drama) at Flinders University. Late applications not accepted.

Final closing date for Medicine/Surgery (including Bonded Medical place), Dental Surgery, Oral Health and Veterinary Bioscience at the University of Adelaide. Late applications not accepted.

Thursday 26 October 2017

October offer round for courses starting in 2018.

Tuesday 31 October 2017

Deadline for applicants to pay their STAT fees and be guaranteed that their results will be available for the main offer round. Apply and pay for the STAT by this date to save paying an extra fee.

Thursday 16 November 2017

November offer round for courses starting in 2018.

Monday 4 December 2017

Equal consideration closing date for most undergraduate courses. New applications after this date are not guaranteed equal consideration for selection. Check with SATAC before applying after this date.

Final closing date for Medicine at Flinders University. Late applications not accepted.

Thursday 7 December 2017

December offer round for courses starting in 2018.

Wednesday 3 January 2018

Deadline for existing applicants to change their preferences to most courses and still be guaranteed equal consideration.

Deadline for applicants who have applied by 4 December to pay their application fee and still be guaranteed equal consideration.

Tuesday 16 January 2018

Main January offer round for semester 1 2018

Thursday 25 January 2018

Further offer round for semester 1 2018.

Thursday 1 February 2018

Further offer round for semester 1 2018.

Tuesday 6 February 2018

Further offer round for semester 1 2018.

February to March 2018

Offers will continue to be made in February and March for courses where there are still places available for semester 1 2018.

TAFE SA applications

Wednesday 29 November 2017

Equal consideration closing date for competitive course preferences. Submit your application and supply supporting documents by this date to be guaranteed equal consideration.

Friday 1 December 2017

December offer round. Some courses may make early offers.

Friday 15 December 2017

Last date to undertake the Core Skills Profile for Adults (CSPA) for results to be considered in the main January offer round.

Thursday 28 December 2017

Change of preference deadline. Course preferences cannot be added, removed or re-ordered in a submitted application from midnight until Monday 8 January 2018.

Tuesday 2 January to Monday 8 January 2018

First January offer round processing. SATAC prepares for the first January offer round. Some services will be unavailable for short periods.

Monday 8 January 2018

First January offer round. Offers available online.

Wednesday 17 January 2018

Change of preference deadline. Course preferences cannot be added, removed or re-ordered in a submitted application from midnight until Monday 22 January 2018.

Last day to undertake the Core Skills Profile For Adults (CSPA) for consideration in the second January offer round.

Thursday 18 January to Monday 22 January 2018

Second January offer round processing. SATAC prepares for the second January offer round. Some services will be unavailable for short periods.

Monday 22 January 2018

Second January offer round. Offers available online.

Monday 29 January 2018

Third January offer round processing. SATAC prepares for the third January offer round. Some services will be unavailable for short periods.

Tuesday 30 January 2018

Third January offer round. Offers available online.

Friday 2 February 2018

Further offers made each Friday from 2 February for courses with vacancies.