

Faculty of Design Architecture and Building: Selection Criteria for Undergraduate 2014 Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) Courses – Design

Selection criteria applying to the following courses are outlined below.

Course title	UAC Code
B Design in Animation	602035
B Design in Animation / B Arts in International Studies	609258
B Design in Fashion & Textile Design	602040
B Design in Fashion & Textiles/ B Arts in International Studies	609260
B Design in Integrated Product Design	602050
B Design in Integrated Product Design B Arts in International Studies	609270
B Design in Interior and Spatial Design	602060
B Design in Interior and Spatial Design/B Arts in International Studies	609280
B Design in Photography and Situated Media	602065
B Design in Photography and Situated Media B Arts in International Studies	609285
B Design in Visual Communication	602070
B Design in Visual Communication B Arts in International Studies	609290
B Design in Fashion & Textile Design B Creative Intelligence and Innovation	609540
B Design in Integrated Product Design B Creative Intelligence and Innovation	609545
B Design in Interior and Spatial Design B Creative Intelligence and Innovation	609550
B Design in Visual Communication B Creative Intelligence and Innovation	609555

Matriculation

To be eligible to apply for a course (matriculate) at UTS you must satisfy at least one of the following minimum admission requirements:

- (1) Must have attained a full NSW HSC or equivalent with an ATAR of 69 (excluding bonus points), or
- (2) Completed TAFE TPC, Associate Diploma, AQF Diploma or Advanced Diploma, or
- (3) Completion of one year of tertiary studies (must be full time), or
- (4) Be at least 20 years of age of as at 1 March 2014.

Note that meeting the matriculation requirements does not mean that an applicant will receive an offer – applicants still have to compete for a place with other applicants for the same course.

Current School Leaver Selection

Current school leavers are selected on their Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) or equivalent, and are eligible for Guaranteed Entry and Year 12 Bonus Scheme Points for nominated courses.

Guaranteed Entry Scheme –Current school leaver applicants to the single degree design courses, who achieve a set ATAR as published in the 2014 UAC Guide, who have the course listed as a preference and who do not receive an offer to a higher preference will be guaranteed an offer.

UTS Year 12 Bonus Scheme - up to a maximum of five (5) bonus points may be awarded for performance in designated HSC subjects. For details visit www.undergraduate.uts.edu.au/schools/leavers/atar/bonus.

Non Current School Leaver Selection

Applicants are selected on the basis of academic merit or on the basis of an interview (shortlisted from an optional portfolio). Academic merit is determined on the basis of any qualifications listed in the “Qualifications Used in Selection” section of this document.

Generally the best qualification is considered for non current school leavers unless the applicant has previously been excluded from university or has a record of fails in a tertiary qualification used in selection, in which case the tertiary qualification with fails is used.

Non-current school leaver applicants for Design courses can submit an optional Design portfolio when lodging their UAC application, which is used for interview short-listing. To be considered for an interview, applicants must submit a digital portfolio (max. 3mb) of 6 x A4 landscape pages including:

- 5 pages of digital files of scans (PDF) and/or photographs (JPEG) of original design work appropriate to the course
- 1 page written submission (150–200 words) that selects and identifies one of the submitted pieces of work, addressing the aims of the work and why it succeeded (text must be supplied in 16 point Helvetica, with 1.5 line spacing in PDF format).
- All portfolios must include the applicant's name and UAC application number.

Design Portfolios must be submitted to UAC by 31st October 2013. See www.undergraduate.uts.edu.au/portfolio for more information regarding the portfolio.

Applicants who do not submit a portfolio or are not shortlisted for interview will be considered for entry based upon their academic results.

Applicants with a previous record of exclusion or failed tertiary level subjects - must write to the Admissions Manager (SAU, PO Box 123, UTS Broadway NSW 2007) by the last working day of November explaining their academic history and how they believe they can succeed in future study.

See <http://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/undergraduate/essential-information/applying> for a definition of current and non-current school leavers.

Qualifications Used in Selection

The following qualifications are considered for admission into all Faculty of Design Architecture and Building courses.

Secondary Qualifications

The following completed senior secondary qualifications are considered for admission.
If there is more than one attempt at a secondary qualification, the most recent attempt will be used.

Australian and New Zealand Secondary Qualifications

- New South Wales Higher School Certificate
- ACT Year 12 Certificate
- Queensland Senior Examination
- South Australian Certificate of Education
- Tasmanian Certificate of Education
- Victorian Certificate of Education
- Western Australian Year 12
- New Zealand National Certificate in Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3

Limited ATAR

The Faculty of Design Architecture and Building will consider a Limited ATAR. If you are using the Limited ATAR as the basis of admission, you must be over 20 years of age on 1 March 2014

The International Baccalaureate

The Faculty of Design Architecture and Building will consider a completed International Baccalaureate (IB).

International Secondary Qualifications

UTS accept many international secondary qualifications. See "Commonly Accepted Overseas Qualifications" at <http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/overseas.shtml>. The qualifications in the table are accepted by all universities participating through UAC.

If you have a query about a secondary qualification which is not listed on the "Commonly Accepted Overseas Qualifications" table you should contact UTS via email through the website <http://www.ask.uts.edu.au/>

Tertiary Qualifications

Australian University Qualifications

(See the end of this document for the definition of Non-Award Studies and Full Time Equivalence FTE).

Bachelor Degree Studies including Non-Award Studies

- Bachelor degree studies – 0.5 year and greater FTE
- Associate degree studies – 0.5 year and greater FTE
- Non-Award studies – 0.5 year and greater FTE

Postgraduate Degree Studies

- Completed: Graduate Certificate; Graduate Diploma; Masters (coursework or research); Doctorate (coursework or research)
- Incomplete Graduate Diploma 0.5 year and greater FTE
- Incomplete Coursework Masters 0.5 year and greater FTE
- Incomplete coursework Doctorate

Note: UTS will not consider incomplete Research Masters or Doctorates.

Tertiary Preparation and Foundation Studies Programs

The Faculty of Design Architecture and Building will consider the following completed tertiary preparation courses

- NSW TAFE Tertiary Preparation Certificate from 1997 onwards.
- UTS Foundation Studies
- UNSW - University Foundation Studies
- UNSW - University Preparation Program
- University of Sydney - Foundation Program and University Preparation Course
- University of Newcastle – Newstep and Yapug
- University of Newcastle – Foundation Studies and Open Foundation Course
- University of Wollongong – Gateway and University Access Program
- University of Wollongong – Foundation Studies and Senior Secondary Program
- UWS – Macstart and Unistart
- Australian National University – University Preparation Scheme
- University of Canberra – University Preparation Studies, UC-Connect and UC-Prep
- Canberra Institute of Technology Pre-Tertiary Studies

TAFE and Private Provider Studies

(See the end of this document for a definition of AQF).

- Completed AQF Advanced Diploma or AQF Diploma
 - Associate Diploma studies – 1 year and greater FTE
 - RATE Diploma studies – 1 year and greater FTE
- RATE Diplomas refer to 3-year diplomas taught at Universities or Colleges of Advanced Education such as Diploma of Nursing or Diploma of Education. RATE does not refer to current Diplomas delivered under the auspices of the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF).

Note: The Faculty of Design Architecture and Building will not consider **incomplete** AQF qualifications.

International Tertiary Qualifications

Many overseas tertiary qualifications can be considered for UTS selection. Please contact a UTS Student Centre via email through the website <http://www.ask.uts.edu.au/> for information regarding specific overseas tertiary qualifications.

UAC also provide a Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS) to prospective applicants. For more information visit <http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/qas.shtml>

Special Tertiary Admissions Test

The Faculty of Design Architecture and Building considers the STAT (Multiple Choice) administered by the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC), provided applicants have reached 20 years of age by 1 March 2014 and their STAT results were obtained after 2010.

Definitions

AQF: *The Australian Qualifications Framework* (commonly known as the AQF) is a unified system of national qualifications in schools, vocational education and training (TAFE and private providers) and the higher education sector (mainly universities). For detailed information on AQF Accreditation see <http://www.aqf.edu.au/>

FTE: *Full time equivalence.* 1 year FTE is one year of full-time study or equivalent. One year full time study is the credit value worth of subjects determined by your institution to satisfy the completion of your degree in the minimum time permitted.

Non-Award Study: Non-Award study is the enrolment in a subject (or subjects) which does not in itself lead to an award. It comprises a unit or units of study from a degree course.