

Tertiary Access Payment

Helping you relocate for study

Are you relocating from a regional or remote part of Australia to study in 2022? You may be eligible for the Tertiary Access Payment (TAP) to help with the costs of study and moving to a new city or town.

About the TAP

The TAP is a payment for school leavers to help with the costs of moving to study.

Moving away from home can be expensive. The TAP helps eligible Year 12 (or equivalent) students to access higher studies.

Am I eligible?

The TAP will be available for Year 12 (or equivalent) school-leavers who:

- are Australian citizens or who meet residency requirements
- are from an inner regional, outer regional or remote/very remote area (as per the ASGS remote classifications)
- are studying a Certificate IV or above, at least 75 per cent full time study load with minimum duration of a year, in the year following completion of Year 12 or equivalent
- are studying face to face, or in dual delivery method, for at least part of the course
- aged 22 and under
- have relocated to study at an education provider located at least 90 minutes by public transport from their family home.
- parent(s) or guardian(s) have a combined income of \$250,000 or below per year.

The payment is not available to students who leave school before the end of Year 12 to pursue an apprenticeship. It is not considered 'income for social security purposes' and, where relevant, would not affect students' eligibility for other income support.

How do I apply?

Students apply through Services Australia at Tertiary Access Payment - Services Australia.