

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Selection Criteria for Undergraduate 2011 Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) Courses

Selection criteria applying to the following courses are outlined below.

Course title	UAC Code
B Sound and Music Design	600006
B Arts in Communication (Information and Media)	600008
B Arts in Communication (Social Inquiry)	600028
B Arts in Communication (Journalism)	600013
B Arts in Communication (Media Arts and Production)	600018
B Arts in Communication (Public Communication)	600023
B Arts in Communication (Writing and Cultural Studies)	600033
B Global Studies	600048
B Sound and Music Design Bachelor of Arts in International Studies	609296
B Arts in Communication (Journalism) and in International Studies	609300
B Arts in Communication (Media Arts and Production) and in International Studies	609310
B Arts in Communication (Public Communication) and in International Studies	609320
B Arts in Communication (Writing and Cultural Studies) and in International Studies	609330
B Arts in Communication (Information and Media) and in International Studies	609340
B Arts in Communication (Social Inquiry) and in International Studies	609345

Current School Leaver Selection

Applicants undertaking a 2010 Australian Year 12 examination are selected on the basis of an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) or equivalent.

Non Current School Leaver Selection

Applicants must first matriculate to be considered for entrance to UTS. See "Definitions" at the end of this document for matriculation requirements.

Non current school leaver applicants are selected on the basis of academic merit. Academic merit is determined on the basis of any qualifications listed below in the section "Qualifications Used in Selection". Generally the best qualification is considered for non current school leavers unless the applicant was previously excluded or has a record of fails in a tertiary qualification used in selection.

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.

Only applicants (except for B Global Studies and B Sound and Music Design) who do not possess any of the qualifications listed below **and** who have five years or more full time work experience (or equivalent) will be contacted by the Faculty and invited to submit a personal statement. No other personal statements will be accepted unless you are submitting results from a STAT or Limited ATAR.

See <http://www.uts.edu.au/study/additional.html> for the definitions of current and non-current school leaver.

Qualifications Used in Selection

The following qualifications are considered for admission into Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (Communication, Sound and Music Design and Global Studies) courses.

Australian and New Zealand 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.

- 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 Arts and Social Sciences 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 2011 and submit a personal statement to UTS.

The International Baccalaureate

The Faculty of Arts and Social Science will consider a completed International Baccalaureate (IB).

International Secondary Qualifications

UTS accepts many international secondary qualifications. If your qualification is not listed by UAC in Table 7 of "Commonly Accepted Overseas Qualifications"

(<http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/overseas.shtml>) please contact the UTS Student Centre via email through the website www.sau.uts.edu.au/askuts.html for information regarding the specific overseas secondary qualifications.

Tertiary Preparation Courses

NSW TAFE Tertiary Preparation Certificate

The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences will consider the completed TAFE NSW Tertiary Preparation Certificate.

Tertiary Preparation Courses Offered by Australian Tertiary Institutions

The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (Communication, Sound and Music Design and Global Studies) will consider some tertiary preparation courses offered by Australian tertiary institutions. Tertiary Preparation Courses considered:

- UTS Foundation Studies
- UNSW - University Foundation Studies
- UNSW-University Preparation Program
- University of Sydney - Foundation Program and University Preparation course
- University of Newcastle-Foundation Studies Certificate and Open Foundation Course
- University of Newcastle-Newstep and Yapug
- University of Wollongong- STEP, Gateway, 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

Australian Tertiary Qualifications

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

Bachelor Degree Studies including Non-Award Studies

- Bachelor degree studies – 0.5 year and greater FTE
- Associate degree studies – 1 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 0.2 year and greater FTE
- Incomplete coursework Doctorate

Note: The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences will not consider incomplete research Masters or Doctorate.

TAFE and Private Provider Studies

See the end of this document for definitions of AQF.

- Completed AQF Advanced Diploma or AQF Diploma
 - Associate Diploma studies – 1 year and greater FTE
 - Completed 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 Arts and Social Sciences will not consider **incomplete** AQF qualifications.

International Tertiary Qualifications

Many overseas tertiary qualifications can be considered for UTS selection. Please contact the UTS Student Centre via email through the website www.sau.uts.edu.au/askuts.html for information regarding specific overseas tertiary qualifications.

Special Tertiary Admissions Test

The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences considers the STAT (Multiple Choice) administered by Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) for admission, provided applicants have reached 20 years of age by 1 March 2011 **and** submit a personal statement to UTS.

Professional Qualifications

The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (Communication, Sound and Music Design and Global Studies) will consider some professional qualifications. Contact the UTS Student Centre via email through the website www.sau.uts.edu.au/askuts.html for advice regarding what types of professional qualifications will be considered. Professional qualifications may include:

- Qualifying examinations of professional associations.
- Commissioned officers (police, fire, mercantile marine, civil aviation, defence forces) and related qualifications.
- Health care practitioners and related qualifications.

Qualifications Not Used in Selection

The following qualifications are not considered for admission into Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (Communication, Sound and Music Design and Global Studies) courses.

Tertiary Preparation Courses

The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (Communication, Sound and Music Design and Global Studies) **will not** consider foundation studies programs offered by Australian Tertiary Providers not listed in the Tertiary Preparation Courses Section above.

Australian Tertiary Qualifications

Qualifications not appearing in the above section will not be considered for selection in Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (Communication, Sound and Music Design and Global Studies) courses. In particular, current tertiary students should note that Bachelor degree studies where less than 0.5 year FTE has been completed will not be considered.

Vocational Experience

Vocational experience is not used as selection criteria for the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (Communication, Sound and Music Design and Global Studies) but may be considered in the personal statement (except for B Global Studies and B Sound and Music Design) if you do not have any qualifications considered for admission (as listed above) **AND** your work experience totals 5 years or greater full time (or equivalent).

Definitions

AQF: The *Australian Qualifications Framework* (commonly known as the AQF) is a unified system of national qualifications in schools, vocational education and training (TAFEs 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.

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 or UAI of 66, or
- (2) Completed TAFE TPC, Associate Diploma, Diploma or Advanced Diploma, or
- (3) Completion of one year of tertiary studies (must be full time), or
- (4) Have attained the age of 20 years as at 1 March 2011.

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

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. With Faculty approval, successfully completed units can be counted as credit towards a degree undertaken at a later stage.