UTS: HARD WORK DESERVES CREDIT
TURN YOUR PREVIOUS STUDIES INTO A DEGREE

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Vocational Education and Training (VET) studies – through TAFE, college or another provider – is one of the best pathways available in meeting the entry requirements for university. At UTS, we highly value the skills and experience VET graduates bring to their university studies, and believe your hard work deserves credit.

Find out how your previous studies could be used for credit recognition and take your next step with UTS.

CURRENTLY STUDYING AT TAFE OR COLLEGE?

ALREADY HAVE A COMPLETED QUALIFICATION?

THINKING OF GOING TO UNIVERSITY?
WHY UTS?

There’s a reason why UTS is ranked first amongst Australia’s younger universities, and why many students have made UTS their first choice.

With courses across business, communication, design, architecture and building, education, engineering, health, information technology, law and science, UTS is renowned for its practice-based approach to learning. You’ll be exposed to the latest technology and equipment used in industry and graduate with as much hands-on experience as possible to help you stand out.

UTS is Sydney’s city university – a short walk from Central Station and Sydney CBD. Research shows we have a reputation for being culturally diverse, friendly and welcoming to students from a broad range of backgrounds and pathways. To ensure you feel confident and supported, we offer flexible study options to suit your lifestyle, along with academic assistance and personal and financial services to help with housing, making friends, health, cultural issues and careers.

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You’ll require one of the following qualifications for entry into UTS:
> Certificate IV Tertiary Preparation
> Diploma
> Advanced Diploma

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“LINDSAY MORRISON
UTS Bachelor of Nursing

“I studied Horticulture at TAFE straight out of high school, but decided I’d be happier gardening and landscaping for fun as opposed to doing it as a career. I took 18 months off to travel, see the world and work out what other fields I could explore.

“I decided to become a paramedic and applied with Ambulance NSW, undertaking a Certificate III in Aged Care in the meantime to build up some healthcare experience. I then decided to follow it up with a UTS Bachelor of Nursing. I’m now in the final year of my three-year full-time degree and really love what I’m studying. We spend loads of time in the hospital wards with the patients putting what we learn in the classroom into practice.”
CREDIT RECOGNITION

UTS has over 170 credit recognition arrangements in place. This means you could fast-track your degree by receiving credit for studies you completed through your VET qualifications.

KRISTEN WREN
UTS Bachelor of Business

“I decided to study at TAFE to get an idea of whether HR was something I wanted to pursue career-wise and realised I really enjoyed it. After completing a Certificate III in Business Administration at TAFE, I realised there were an incredible amount of opportunities out there.

“I completed a Certificate IV in Business (HR), plus a Diploma of Business (HR). I was then accepted into UTS through a TAFE pathway to study a Bachelor of Business, majoring in HR. UTS was the only university that would recognise and offer credit for my prior business learning. I received credit recognition for four subjects, which equated to one session of full time study.”

YOUR CREDIT IS DECIDED IN ONE OF TWO WAYS:

1. Via established agreements outlined in the UTS Credit Recognition database online, which details exact arrangements, or
2. On a case-by-case basis following submission of your credit application and assessment of your previous study and experience.

You can apply for credit once you have received your Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) offer via the ‘Application for Credit Recognition’ form available from the UTS website. You should keep course outlines, assessment guides and assessment results to support your application and maximise your credit.

For further information regarding current UTS credit and articulation agreements, visit [www.nextstep.uts.edu.au](http://www.nextstep.uts.edu.au) and see Credit Recognition.
APPLYING TO UTS

All applications for NSW and ACT universities are managed through UAC. You should aim to submit your application by on-time closing dates at the end of September to avoid paying late fees. You don’t need to wait for your TAFE or college results as these will automatically be uploaded to UAC once available.

 inpUTS

You can also increase your chances of receiving a UTS offer by applying for 10 concessional points through our educational access scheme (EAS) inpUTS.

UTS recognises a range of circumstances, including health, family problems or financial disadvantage, have the potential to impact your education.

Check out the admission requirements for the course you’re interested in and be sure to cover off everything requested, including portfolios, personal statements and CVs. In many cases, UTS will provide bonus points for the extra effort you take in preparing statements or work histories, making these an important element of your application.

Aurelia completed her Tertiary Preparation Certificate at TAFE and was interested in studying Engineering at UTS. By providing evidence of her Austudy allowance with her EAS application, Aurelia was eligible for the inpUTS 10 points concession, helping her reach the required entry rank for Civil Engineering.

GUESS WHAT? YOU COULD BE 10 POINTS CLOSER TO YOUR DEGREE

If eligible for inpUTS, your entry cut-off for any of our courses will be lowered to increase your opportunity to start study in the course you’re applying for. EAS and course applications are made through UAC. If successful, you will be made an offer in January or July depending on which session you wish to start your studies.
COST AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

UTS degrees are Commonwealth supported, which means your study is subsidised by the government. You can choose to pay your fees upfront, or if you’re an Australian citizen or permanent humanitarian visa holder, defer through the Commonwealth loan system HECS-HELP, which allows you to pay back your fees once you’re earning a salary specified by the government.

To help with the costs of attending university, there are a range of scholarships and loans available through UTS. You can access support for your living costs, textbooks, IT equipment and fees through our Scholarships team or Student Services Unit. Visit www.uts.edu.au/future-students/scholarships and www.uts.edu.au/current-students/support
STUDENT SUPPORT

Studying full time will present many challenges – particularly when you team that with working, looking after family or living away from home. In juggling all the components of your life, you can reach out to UTS staff. They’re here to make your learning easier, whether that be through personal or academic support.

NERVOUS ABOUT MAKING A PRESENTATION, WRITING AN ESSAY OR REPORT, OR NEED TO IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS?
Get individual or group support with assignments through HELPS

HEAD SPINNING ABOUT SOME OF OUR SUBJECTS?
Drop in on a student-led U:PASS group study session

LOOKING FOR A JOB?
Careers consulting, advice and assistance are available through our Careers Service

CALCULUS OR ALGEBRA PANIC ATTACK?
Drop in to the Maths Study Centre for support any time, any day

SENSE OF COMMUNITY
Discover the great programs, services and support available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students through Jumbunna

NEED TO BRUSH UP ON YOUR STUDY AND REFERENCING SKILLS?
UTS Library offer workshops to help you access its many resources

NEED TO LIVE CLOSER TO UNI?
UTS Housing service can assist with affordable and convenient living options on and around our City campus

WORRIED ABOUT YOUR HEALTH OR FEEL LIKE YOU’RE STRUGGLING TO COPE?
Speak to our health and wellbeing team who can support you with your medical, counselling or learning and assessment needs

LACKING SOME SKILLS, CONFIDENCE OR KNOWLEDGE FOR YOUR UNIVERSITY STUDY?
Short bridging courses teach at an introductory level and can help fill the gap
Research entry requirements and what you need to include with your application. Visit our website or come see us at a UTS event or expo.

Investigate your eligibility for our educational access scheme inpUTS and apply through UAC. Be sure to also check the deadlines for applications: www.uac.edu.au.

Find out about course fees and apply for any scholarships or financial assistance by nominated deadlines.

Check our credit recognition database and prepare evidence for your credit recognition application.

To find out more about applying to UTS, enrolment or credit recognition, check out www.nextstep.uts.edu.au or call 1300 ASK UTS (1300 275 887).

Interested in receiving updates about UTS events, courses, scholarships and key dates? Sign up to our e-newsletter ShortcUTS: www.uts.ac/shortcUTS2016.