

THE TRANSITION TIMES



August 2017

Term 3 is one of the toughest terms for senior students. Year 11 are progressing towards the completion of preliminary courses, and face the prospect of assessment tasks and exams within a short period. To support students, Study Skills seminars will run each Monday during Literacy time.

For Year 12, the Trial HSC has arrived and it may be the first time students undertake a full paper. Students are also busy completing major works and performance pieces in Industrial Technology (10 August), Drama (22 August) and Visual Arts (28 August). It is important to spend time looking at the feedback and setting goals to refine your performance in time for the HSC exams in October.

Remember, improving just 1-2 marks in each section of your papers can lead to a significant jump in your overall performance. Set yourself SMART goals. Most importantly, attend every lesson!

Year 11 and 12 students who intend to pursue a course at one of the following institutions are strongly encouraged to attend at least one of the upcoming Open Days. Be informed! Be inspired!

5 August	SAE Creative Media Institute
6 August	International College of Management, Sydney
12 August	University of Newcastle (Ourimbah)
	William Blue College of Hospitality Management (The Rocks)
	William Blue College of Design (Ultimo)
13 August	AIE Open Day
17 August	University of Notre Dame Info (St Paul's College, Manly 4pm-7pm)
19 August	Macquarie University
	Macleay College
	University of Newcastle (Callaghan)
	Wollongong University
20 August	Southern Cross University
23 August	Australian College of Applied Psychology
26 August	Australian Catholic University
	Australian National University
	Charles Sturt University
	University of New South Wales (Canberra)
	University of Notre Dame Open Day
	University of Sydney
	University of Technology Sydney
26 August	University of Canberra
27 August	University of Western Sydney
2 September	Australian Catholic University (North Sydney)
	National Art School, Darlinghurst
	University of New South Wales (Sydney)
9 September	Australian Catholic University (Strathfield)

Year 11 Assessment Summary

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10
TERM 3 2017	Economics Engineering Studies English Ad English ESL English Std IT Timber	General Maths Legal Studies Mathematics SDD	Geography Hospitality Maths Ex 1 Snr Science	Biology Business St Earth & Envir English Ext 1 English Fund Sport Coaching Visual Arts	CAFS Chemistry Engineering Studies IT Timber Mod History SDD	Construction Music	Ancient Hist Design & Tech English Ad English ESL English Std English Stud IT Multimedia Sport Coaching Visual Arts	Buffer Week	Yearly Exams	Yearly Exams

UAC Applications

<http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/>

Things you need to know:

- UAC Admissions Open on Wednesday 2nd August, 2017
- The early-bird application round will close at midnight on Friday 29th September. There is a processing fee of \$58.
- The application process should take approximately 30 minutes in total.
- In order to apply, students will need:
 - personal details (name, address, email address, telephone number). Students must ensure their details match the information on their birth certificates or passports.
 - Student number and UAC PIN (this should have been emailed to the email address students registered to their Students Online account). Students will be emailed a 9-digit UAC number when they apply.
 - A list of chosen course codes
 - A credit card or PayPal account (BPAY is also an option)

<http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/apply/how-to-apply.shtml>

- Applicants can select five course preferences. Students should place their preferred course as their first preference.
- Students can track their applications through the UAC site. The order of preferences – or even the courses selected – can be changed as many times as desired before the closing dates for each offer round.
- Most offers will be made during December. Students can change their course preferences up until midnight December 17th, 2017 (ATARs are released on Friday 15th).

<http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/apply/course-preferences.shtml>

- Australian or New Zealand citizens, permanent residents of Australia or holders of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa are eligible to apply.

UAC Course Guides 2017-2018

www.uac.edu.au/documents/publications/year11-12-booklet.pdf

<http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/course-search/>

Educational Access Scheme (EAS)

Most of UAC's participating institutions have Educational Access Schemes (EAS) to help students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage gain admission to tertiary study.

To be eligible for EAS consideration your educational performance must have been seriously affected, normally for a period of at least six months during Year 11 and/or 12 or equivalent, due to circumstances beyond your control and choosing.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/eas/faq.shtml>

<http://www.uac.edu.au/documents/eas/EAS-disadvantage-tables.pdf>

<http://www.uac.edu.au/documents/eas/eas-booklet.pdf>

<http://www.uac.edu.au/documents/eas/eas-form.pdf>

Please contact Tracey Fairley if you require more information about EAS.

School Recommendation Scheme (SRS)

Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS) are one way institutions make early offers of undergraduate admission, using criteria other than (or in addition to) the ATAR.

Participating institutions can use a range of criteria when making SRS offers, including your Year 11 studies, school's rating of your abilities in areas of study, school's rating of your aptitudes

SRS applications close on 29th September.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/srs/>

<http://www.uac.edu.au/documents/srs/SRSbooklet.pdf>

<http://www.uac.edu.au/srs/institutions.shtml>

Please contact Tracey Fairley if you require more information about SRS.

Early Entry Programs

Some early entry programs are still open.

Apply for Early Admission to University of Wollongong. Applications close **August 25, 2017**.

<https://early-admission.uow.edu.au/earlyadmission/>

Macquarie University's Global Leadership Entry Program offers unconditional entry into a range of courses. Applications close for Year 12 students on **August 28**. Year 11 students can also register interest and receive updates from MQ. For more information see:

<http://www.mq.edu.au/study/find-a-course/undergraduate/macquarie-entry/global-leadership-entry-program>

Sydney University E12 program offers conditional entry into a range of courses for students who have faced financial disadvantaged throughout the duration of Years 11 and 12. Students who apply for this program must also successfully apply for the EAS program. E12 program applications close on **September 1, 2017**.

<http://sydney.edu.au/future-students/domestic/undergraduate/e12/students/index.shtml>

The Early Entry program at The International College of Management, Sydney (ICMS) closes on 16 September, 2017.

<https://www.icms.edu.au/future-students/application-information/alternative-entry-pathways/early-entry>

A number of institutions use the SRS as their early entry program. Individual students are responsible for checking which programs they may be eligible for <http://www.uac.edu.au/srs/institutions.shtml>

Scholarships

Charles Sturt University

<http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/help-with-costs/scholarships>

Hotel School Scholarships

<https://hotelschool.scu.edu/apply/scholarships/>

ICMS

<https://www.icms.edu.au/scholarship-type/new-domestic-students-au-nz>

Le Cordon Bleu

<https://www.cordonbleu.edu/australia/scholarships-australian/en>

Teach NSW Scholarships

<https://teach.nsw.edu.au/getpaidtostudy/cadetships>

University of New South Wales

<https://www.scholarships.unsw.edu.au/>

UAC Equity Scholarships

<http://www.uac.edu.au/equity/>

UTS

<https://www.uts.edu.au/sites/default/files/sau-uts-scholarships-brochure.pdf>

University of Sydney

<http://sydney.edu.au/scholarships/undergraduate/year12/index.shtml>

Study Tips: Responding to Feedback

A trick to success when receiving feedback is to look at marks and comments in an objective way. While feedback should be individualised, teachers aim to be constructive. Teachers, especially at HSC level, mark to criteria. Building an understanding of this criteria can help students to develop a more strategic approach to improving results.



1. **Reflect on your marks.** Look at each exam section by section and record your marks.

Eg. English	Result	Goal	What do I need to work on to lift this mark?
AOS Section 1			
AOS Section 2			
AOS Section 3			
Module A			
Module B			
Module C			
How can you better meet success criteria?			

2. **Identify verbs** you are having trouble with. You may find a pattern.

Are you struggling to **define**? Is your ability to **evaluate** impacting you? Are you able to **compare** two things correctly? Ask your teacher to explain the criteria again. What do you need to change or add? You can also look at Past HSC Marker feedback to see how criteria works. To see exam packages, visit:

<http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/Understanding-the-curriculum/resources/hsc-exam-papers>

3. **Backward map** your responses or **highlight different elements** of each paragraph. Are you using topic sentences in each paragraph? Have you explained? Have you included adequate supporting evidence? Have you analysed the evidence? Do you have summary sentences? Do these reinforce your argument? Do they also link to the question? A cohesive, synthesised, well-supported response can lift you from a B range to an A range response!
4. **What next?** Focus on areas of weakness. Prioritise your studies. Submit sample responses to your teacher. If you can't manage a whole response, submit an *outline* to your teacher. Find a study-buddy. Compare notes. Teach one another. Look at any resources you could use to enhance your revision. Visit the Cromer Campus Library! Check Edrolo. Be sure to attend every single lesson!

What's coming up?

Sydney Trains Apprenticeships 2018 Closes 6 August

Sydney Trains is currently accepting applications to work within Hamilton, to Lawson to Wollongong into its 2018 Apprenticeship Program for the following disciplines: Telecommunications, Signal Fitting, Signal Electrical, Substations, Rail Traction, Plant Mechanics, HV Cables, Rail Maintainer Fitter, Rail Maintainer Electrical. Our Apprenticeship Program is a four year program (three for Telecommunications) that combines paid work and structured training, allowing you to learn a trade and receive a nationally accredited qualification. The apprenticeship program is a combination of on the job training and TAFE delivered training. Pay rate starting at \$555.95 per week.

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/job/sydney-trains-apprenticeship-2018-77977>

AIE Open Day

13 August

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation and visual effects at the AIE Open Day. Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra campuses will be opening their doors to visitors eager to find out about full-time and part-time courses starting in 2017 and 2018. Ph: 1300 709 019.

<http://www.aie.edu.au/openday>

Nursing and Paramedic University of Tasmania Taster Days in Sydney

Nursing Workshops –Rozelle 25 August 3.00pm -7.00pmpm and Darlinghurst Saturday 26 August 12.00-4.00pmpm

Paramedic Practice Workshops –Rozelle 25 August 3.00pm - 7.00pmpm

We are opening the doors to our Sydney campuses in Rozelle and Darlinghurst with a series of hands-on workshops so you can experience what it will be like to study Nursing or Paramedic Practice at the University of Tasmania. We will also have information sessions and expert advice available so you can learn more about a career in health.

<http://www.utas.edu.au/taster-workshop>

Sydney Conservatorium of Music Audition and Portfolios Deadlines

Early Round Closes - 1 September

Late Round Closes - 29 September

<http://music.sydney.edu.au/study/auditions/>

Application form is here:

https://sydneycon.formstack.com/forms/scm_audition_submission_form_2018

Raffles School Holiday Workshops – Fashion, Graphic Design, Photography, Digital Design and Interior Design

26 to 30 September. 9.30am to 3.00pm

1-3 Fitzwilliam St, Parramatta

Free Event - Registration is essential

If you're interested in a creative design career, then Raffles Workshop Week is for you. Being able to identify all the skills you have can open you to more career options.

<http://www.raffles.edu.au/story/detail/school-holiday-workshops.html>

Sydney Design School 2 Day Interior Decoration Masterclass

4 & 5 October. 9.30am to 4.30pm

Sydney Design School 2/40 Oxley Street, St Leonards

Love Interiors? So do we. Over two fun, intensive days, you will learn how to put together a full interior decoration scheme for a space in your own home.

Learn the tricks of the trade from practising Interior Designers and get a taste of this exciting industry.

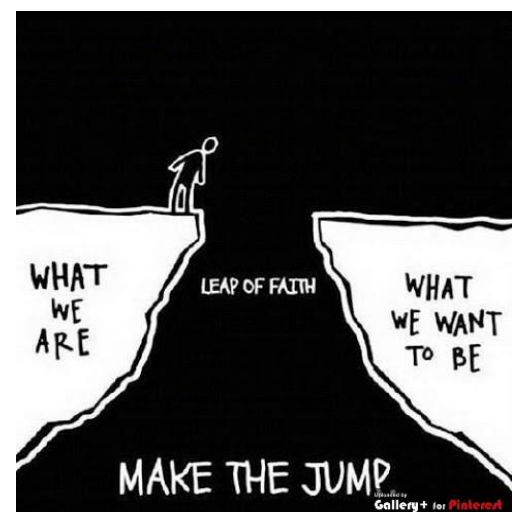
<http://bit.ly/1UayXzw>

<http://sydneydesignschool.com.au/masterclass/>

International Screen Academy

If you want to act for either stage or on the movie screen, ISA has master classes and programs taught by leading industry professionals.

<http://isasydney.com.au/project/advanced-diploma-of-acting/>



JMC Academy Short Courses for Creative Thinkers

This September, JMC Academy is proud to offer 6 different 2-4 day Short Courses based on Animation, Audio Engineering & Sound Production, Contemporary Music & Performance, Digital Design, Entertainment Business Management, Film & Television, Game Development and Songwriting. For more information contact Kassandra Kashian at JMC Academy on (02) 8241 8899 or kkashian@jmc.edu.au

Apprenticeships & Traineeships available

WPC Group specialises in finding students Apprenticeships & Traineeships, and also runs Pre-employment courses. We also assist with mock interviews, resume writing and preparing students for the workforce. To find out more about how we can assist the school and students, please contact Nicole Lean on 0418 819 468 or nlean@wpcgroup.org.au

AusApp Pathways

AusAppPathways is a free app that will help students and jobseekers explore the many careers that can begin through an apprenticeship or traineeship pathway.

<http://www.ausapp.com.au/>

Careers in Construction and Plumbing Flyers

The Apprenticeship Engagement Forum is pleased to present a series of 11 'Careers in Construction' Flyers. Each flyer sets out possible career pathways in the construction and plumbing industry such as carpenter, sign graphics, bricklayer, plumber, roof tiler, stonemason, sprinkler fitter, shopfitter, tiler, painter and decorator, gyprocker. They suggest elective school subjects that make it possible and TAFE courses that you can complete. As a resource, they are a great starting point in exploring school-based apprenticeships or post-school apprenticeships. Download the flyers at:

<http://www.apprenticeshipengagementforum.com.au/pages/onepage.aspx>

Land Your Career

Careers in land management are diverse and rewarding. Clicking on the icons and learn more about the various careers areas that exist in land management, the types of jobs available, activities undertaken in these jobs and what type of qualifications and experiences are needed.

<http://landyourcareer.edu.au/careers.php>

Did you know that the Northern Beaches Council offers traineeships? There are currently two traineeships on offer:

[Northern Beaches Council Business Administration Traineeship](#)

[Northern Beaches Council Childcare Traineeship \(x2\)](#)

Got any questions?

Mrs Fairley (Transition Adviser), Ms Bird (HT Welfare & Careers Adviser), Ms Taylor (LST Teacher), Ms Brooks (Year 12 Adviser) or Mr Delrennie (Year 11 Adviser) are all available to guide and support you with your wellbeing, your studies and your future planning.