

Federation University Australia

1. About Federation University Australia

Federation University Australia (FedUni) is one of the nation's leading regional universities. With a reputation for relevance and excellence, we have a strong tradition of education and training delivery spanning more than 145 years. We were the nation's first regional, multi-sector university and are the third oldest site of higher learning in Australia.

We offer access to higher education, TAFE, secondary schooling and research opportunities. With campuses in Ballarat, Berwick, Gippsland and the Wimmera, our programs are also delivered online and via a range of partner institutes across Australia and around the globe.

We have around 23,000 international and domestic students. We are committed to serving regional Victorian communities, yet have a broad national and international outlook. We offer the best of both worlds; combining a strong tradition of tertiary education with the freedom and dynamism that comes with being a multi-sector university with close links to local industry and technology.

<http://federation.edu.au/>

2. Admission criteria

2.1 Applicants with higher education study

If you have undertaken previous higher education studies with results at a pass level, including any 'single subjects of study', or have successfully completed a tertiary preparatory program such as the FedUni Foundation Access Studies Program (FAST), you will have typically met the academic entry requirements for our bachelor degree programs. Note that some programs have additional entry requirements which must be met, such as auditions, folios or interviews; refer to the individual program information set.

2.2 Applicants with vocational education and training (VET) study

If you have successfully completed a relevant VET qualification at the Certificate III level or higher, you will have typically met the academic entry requirements for our bachelor degree programs. Note that some programs have additional entry requirements which must be met, such as auditions, folios or interviews; refer to the individual program information set.

2.3 Applicants with recent secondary education (within the past two years)

We are dedicated to increasing the higher education participation rate of students from regional and rural areas. To support this we are pleased to offer an [Open Access](#) selection model, to all available programs*. Open access means we will assess entry based on applicants obtaining the required study scores rather than a minimum Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR). Refer to the individual program information set for specific pre-requisite information. Note that some programs do have additional entry requirements which must be met, such as auditions, folios or interviews.

*Initial Teacher Education programs are exempt from the Open Access selection model, selection is based on ATAR and CASPer testing.

2.4 Applicants with work and life experience

Applicants who have not completed secondary education, or undertaken any TAFE or university studies should include a personal statement detailing all relevant experience to strengthen their application. Significant, relevant experience is deemed sufficient to enable entry into some FedUni programs, and all interested persons are encouraged to apply. Note that some programs have additional entry requirements which must be met, such as auditions, folios or interviews; refer to the individual program information set.

3. Additional information

3.1 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

Our Aboriginal Education Centre (AEC) is the central location for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander matters at FedUni. We assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and can also refer students to services and support at FedUni and other community organisations. Where required we can provide one-on-one support. We also host computer labs and resource libraries, open to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and to staff teaching Indigenous studies. We welcome all students, staff and community members to contact us and contribute to the life of the Centre. <https://federation.edu.au/about-us/our-university/indigenous-matters/aboriginal-education-centre>

3.2 Domestic applicants with overseas qualifications

We will assess your qualifications in line with the entry requirements of the program you are applying to study.

We also offer additional support to our domestic students from CALD (culturally and linguistically diverse) backgrounds: <https://federation.edu.au/current-students/assistance-support-and-services/student-support-services/cald>

3.3 English language proficiency

We offer a range of programs for those whose first language is not English: <https://federation.edu.au/faculties-and-schools/federation-college/areas-of-study/english-for-speakers-of-other-languages>

4. How to apply

4.1 I am currently completing my Year 12 studies

Current Year 12 students must apply through the [Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre \(VTAC\)](#).

4.2 I am NOT currently completing my Year 12 studies

If you are applying only to FedUni, simplify the process by [applying direct](#).

If you are applying to more than one institution, you will need to apply through the [Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre \(VTAC\)](#).

5. Enrolment

At FedUni we want to provide you with a supportive environment to undertake your studies, and offer you every opportunity to succeed. This starts from the moment you consider applying with us.

Upon receipt of an offer, which is sent via email, you will be able to log in to our student management system using the provided details. From there you simply follow the instructions to 'accept your offer', 'complete your enrolment checklist' and 'enrol in your courses'. We provide you with video tutorials, downloaded guidelines and supportive staff to help you enrol with ease, using whatever means of assistance works best for you: www.federation.edu.au/acceptingyouroffer

Wherever possible, we want to give you recognition for your previous studies and experience. Use our [Credit Search](#) tool to find out if you may be eligible to receive any credit based on your academic achievements this far. Simply select the program or courses you have previously studied from the catalogue of approved credit transfer arrangements and see which of our programs might present potential pathway options for you. <https://study.federation.edu.au/credit/>

You may have been offered a place in the program but wish to defer commencing your studies until a later date. Applicants may select to defer for a period of 6 or 12 months. You can view full details on deferring your offer online at: www.federation.edu.au/defer

We also understand that it is important that you are aware of the fees relating to your program of study. You can view this information online at: <http://federation.edu.au/current-students/essential-info/tuition-fees-and-charges/higher-education/fees>.

6. Student and campus services

We are proud of the extensive student support programs and services we provide to our students. Browse these in detail online: https://federation.edu.au/current-students#Support_and_services

We have established a wide range of high quality support services for students. We foster an environment which is warm, friendly and helpful, encouraging students to come to us for assistance, or to celebrate their achievements.

From the moment you accept your offer to study with FedUni, you become part of the 'Federation Generation', and are supported through all stages of **transition**, beginning with your pre-tertiary experience and right throughout your undergraduate experience.

- ✓ Prior to orientation, FedReady aims to help you understand what is expected of you at University, and what you need to do to succeed. It covers topics such as preparing essays and assignments, referencing, understanding the library, using university computers, and much, much more. It typically runs on campus in the week prior to Orientation, or via a self-paced version online.
- ✓ Experience a robust orientation program, to enable you to discover where things are on campus, how things happen, meet your mentor, meet your lecturers and tutors, get information to help you succeed in your program, make lots of new friends and have fun!
- ✓ Participate in our mentor program for first year undergraduate students to have continued one on one support as you navigate your new university environment. You will meet with your group weekly during the first five weeks of semester, and gain invaluable information and support.
- ✓ Starting with FedUni' weekly transition emails are distributed to you throughout your first semester, to further assist in your transition to University. They will provide you with information relevant to that point in time, and will also link you to relevant support and services aligned with each week's theme.

We are proud of the **academic support programs** provided to assist you as you progress through your studies, and maximize your success.

- ✓ Peer Assisted Study Sessions are facilitated, where you work together with a group of students to reinforce key concepts and develop effective study strategies. PASS guarantees you weekly dedicated study time with others in the course, facilitated by a senior student who has previously excelled in that subject.
- ✓ The Academic Skills and Knowledge (ASK) program supports you in the development of your study skills. The team comprises experienced student leaders, and they can help you with a range of academic skills, from essay and report structure, to referencing and exam preparation.
- ✓ We provide all students with access to Learning Skills Advisors, professional staff who can assist you to develop skills in structuring assignments and refining your own study and academic skills.

Browse the full range of our academic support programs in detail online: http://federation.edu.au/current-students#Learning_and_study

We also offer a wide variety of facilities and services to our students on campus, ranging from bookshops, to hairdressers, to prayer rooms, to food outlets! Refer to our website for full details: http://federation.edu.au/current-students#Life_on_campus

7. Student and campus services

We offer a wide range of scholarships, bursaries and grants to our students. Once enrolled, it is one simple online registration to then be considered for the many scholarships, bursaries and grants on offer at FedUni.

We offer 'Commonwealth supported places' to all eligible undergraduate students. You can view full details of the Commonwealth support and student contributions on the Australian Government Study Assist webpage: <http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/studyassist/help-payingmyfees/hecs-help/pages/hecs-help-welcome>

8. Student profile

The table below gives an indication of the likely peer cohort for undergraduate students at Federation University Australia. It provides data on students that commenced undergraduate study and passed the census date in Semester One 2016, including those admitted through all offer rounds, across all Australian campuses, and international students studying in Australia.

Applicant background	Semester One, 2016 cohort	
	Number of students	Percentage of all students
(A) Higher education study	1025	32.1%
(B) Vocational education and training (VET) study	582	18.2%
(C) Recent secondary education	1276	40.0%
(D) Work and life experience	252	7.9%
International students*	55	1.7%
All students	3190	100.0%

*In addition to on campus delivery, Federation University Australia also offers its programs through a number of partner providers both within Australia and off-shore. In Semester 1, 2016 an additional 244 international students commenced a FedUni undergraduate program at a partner location within Australia. In order to aid understanding and reconciliation to other governmental reporting these students have not been included in the table. Inclusion of these students would also not provide commencing students with a clear indication of their likely peer cohort.

9. Where to get further information

Our friendly, supporting staff would welcome a conversation with you to discuss your options, and answer any further questions you may have. Contact us via [email](#), or over the phone on 1800 FED UNI (1800 333 864) between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday.

Explore our website for full details on FedUni: <http://federation.edu.au/>

Discover the wealth of programs we have available in our [CourseFinder](#).

We would love you to visit our campus; come along to Open Day on Sunday 27 August 2017 or Info Day on Monday 18 December 2017. Campus tours may be arranged outside these times by contacting us on 1800 FED UNI (1800 333 864) or via [email](#).

The Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) is Australia's independent national regulator of the higher education sector. Browse the [National Register of Higher Education providers](#) for a full list of providers and programs.

The [Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching \(QILT\) website](#) helps you compare study experience & employment data from Australian higher education institutions.

The [Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre \(VTAC\)](#) is the central office that administers the application processes for places in tertiary courses, scholarships and the Special Entry Access Scheme at universities, TAFEs and independent tertiary colleges in Victoria (and a few outside Victoria). VTAC receives and forwards application information and supporting documentation to the relevant selection authorities at institutions.

