Essential UNSW Information for ADFA Candidates 2019
The Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) is a unique partnership between the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and the University of New South Wales (UNSW), providing training and education for the future leaders of the Navy, Army and Air Force. Working at the intersection of a leading university and a military academy, UNSW has been educating defence leaders in Canberra for half a century.

UNSW is one of Australia’s most respected universities. Our focus on real world research coupled with industry support sees us ranked as one of the world’s top 50 universities with a ranking of 45 in the 2018 QS World University Rankings.

Through our experience in education and achievements in research, we excel in teaching undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral research students across arts, business, engineering, IT and science.

Our undergraduate programs are tailored to the educational needs of members of the Australian Defence Force, while our postgraduate and doctoral research programs attract students from all walks of life and all parts of the world.

UNSW Canberra is the only national academic institution with an integrated defence focus. Its strength is in defence-related, security and engineering research. It also has the best teacher to student ratio in the country.

UNSW Canberra research collaborators include NATO; the US Air Force and US Army Research Office; the Defence Science and Technology Organisation; the Defence Materiel Organisation; and the Department of Veteran Affairs.
Choose ADFA/UNSW as your pathway to a career in the Australian Defence Force...

1. Learn to be a leader and set yourself up for a wide range of career opportunities.

2. Receive a top quality education and study for a degree with UNSW.

3. Start an extraordinary military career that will take you around Australia and the world.

4. Be paid to study, and have your tuition fees paid by the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

5. Study with the best university teacher-to-student ratio in the country and learn from lecturers at the top of their fields.

6. Meet a diverse range of people and make mates who will last a lifetime.

7. Undertake adventure training and personal development programs with the Navy, Army and Air Force.

8. Challenge yourself with exciting and rewarding experiences not available in other universities.

9. Graduate with a guaranteed job in the Navy, Army or Air Force.

10. Take advantage of unique postgraduate courses and scholarship opportunities.
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Available Degrees

The ‘2018 Lowest Rank’ is the adjusted score (i.e., ATAR + Adjustment Factors, more commonly known as Bonus Points) that you would have been required to have to get into a particular degree in 2018.

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<tr>
<th>UAC Code</th>
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ATAR = Australian Tertiary Admission Rank - all states/territories except QLD.
OP = Overall Position (QLD only). Please note these minimum OPs should be used as a general guide only as the conversion can vary from year to year.
IB = International Baccalaureate (diploma only)
ADFA Degree / Job Chart

Note: Army jobs are a guide only. Army Officers are General Service Officers and the job Corps is not determined until Officer training at The Royal Military College - Duntroon (RMC-D).

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Assumed subject knowledge

For some degrees, it is assumed that through secondary school studies or other equivalent studies a student will have achieved a level of knowledge of the subject area (e.g. Mathematics) that is considered desirable for successful university level study. Performance in relevant Year 12 courses is taken into account in the admission of current Australian Year 12 applicants via UNSW’s HSC Plus:  
www.unsw.edu.au/domestic-undergraduate/hsc-plus

Students who do not have the assumed knowledge background are not prevented from enrolling but may be placed at a considerable disadvantage and are strongly advised to undertake a Bridging Program, such as UniLearn:  
www.unilearn.net.au

You can find the assumed knowledge for your desired UNSW Canberra degree in the following table.

ADF Service Requirements

In addition to UNSW Canberra Assumed Subject Knowledge, there may also be some Year 12 subjects that are required for ADF Service. Contact Defence Force Recruiting on 13 19 01 for further information.
## Assumed subject knowledge per state

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<th>State</th>
<th>Bachelor of Engineering (Aeronautical), (Civil), (Electrical) or (Mechanical)</th>
<th>Bachelor of Computing and Cyber Security</th>
<th>Bachelor of Arts</th>
<th>Bachelor of Science Mathematics (for majors in Mathematics, Chemistry, Aviation, Physics, Oceanography)</th>
<th>Physics (for majors in Aviation, Physics, Oceanography)</th>
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| ACT   | Mathematical Methods (assumed) Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable)  
Physics  
Chemistry | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable) | English-major (assumed)  
English-major/minor (highly desirable) | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable) | Physics |
| NSW   | Mathematics (assumed)  
Mathematics Extension 1/Extension 2 (highly desirable)  
Physics  
Chemistry | Mathematics (assumed)  
Mathematics Extension 1/Extension 2 (highly desirable) | English Advanced (assumed)  
English Extension 1 (highly desirable) | Mathematics (assumed)  
Mathematics Extension 1/Extension 2 (highly desirable) | Physics |
| QLD   | Mathematics B (assumed)  
Mathematics C (highly desirable)  
Physics  
Chemistry | Mathematics B (assumed)  
Mathematics C (highly desirable) | English (assumed)  
English Extension (highly desirable) | Mathematics B (assumed)  
Mathematics C (highly desirable) | Physics |
| SA/NT | Mathematical Studies (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable)  
Physics  
Chemistry | Mathematical Studies (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable) | English Studies (assumed) | Mathematical Studies (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable) | Physics |
| TAS   | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Mathematics I or II, Calculus and Applications 1A or 1B, Mathematics Specialised (highly desirable)  
Physics  
Chemistry | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Mathematics I or II, Calculus and Applications 1A or 1B, Mathematics Specialised (highly desirable) | One of the TCE English Group Choices (assumed) | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Mathematics I or II, Calculus and Applications 1A or 1B, Mathematics Specialised (highly desirable) | Physics |
| VIC   | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable)  
Physics  
Chemistry | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable) | One of the VCE English Choices (assumed) | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Specialist Mathematics (highly desirable) | Physics |
| WA    | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Mathematics Specialist (highly desirable)  
Physics  
Chemistry | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Mathematics Specialist (highly desirable) | English or English Literature (assumed) | Mathematical Methods (assumed)  
Mathematics Specialist (highly desirable) | Physics |

*As of January 2018. There is no Assumed Subject Knowledge for the Bachelor of Business*
UNSW has three Adjustment Factors schemes available to eligible applicants who apply for admission. Adjustment Factors are added on to your Australian tertiary admission rank (ATAR/OP/IB) to give you a higher entrance score. This adjusted score is then used to assess your eligibility. A maximum of 10 Adjustment Factors points are available to applicants who apply to UNSW.

HSC Plus

HSC Plus is a program awarding points for strong performance in Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (Year 12) courses relevant to UNSW undergraduate degrees. HSC Plus awards a maximum of five points for students who perform well in subjects during their Australian Senior Secondary Certificate that are relevant to their preferred UNSW degree.

Why did UNSW introduce HSC Plus?

There is a strong correlation between Year 12 course performance and preparation for and success in first year university studies. Students who have undertaken and done well in relevant Year 12 courses are generally well prepared for the demands of university study. A successful first year of university study lays the foundation for a successful and rewarding UNSW experience. By employing strategies that enhance the academic achievement of UNSW students we also improve their employability and increase the range of career options for our graduates.

Am I eligible for points under HSC Plus?

If you complete an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (Year 12) in the year prior to admission* to UNSW, and you complete relevant Year 12 courses as part of that qualification, you may be eligible for points for admission under HSC Plus. To be considered you must be eligible to receive an ATAR or equivalent.

Interstate Year 12 applicants

If you are an interstate Year 12 applicant you can visit the UAC website to see which of your subjects and performance bands are comparable to NSW HSC subjects. First click on the UNSW program you are interested in then open another window to see details for interstate subjects at: www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/admission/interstate.shtml

International Baccalaureate (IB) applicants

If you are an International Baccalaureate applicant you can visit the UAC website to see which of your subjects and performance bands are comparable to NSW HSC subjects.

How many points might I be awarded and for which Year 12 courses?

Applicants will be awarded a maximum of five points for each UNSW preference. The number of points awarded and the Year 12 courses considered are specific to individual undergraduate degrees. This means if you apply for a range of degrees at UNSW you may have a different selection rank for each preference depending on the Year 12 courses you have completed.
How do I apply for HSC Plus?

No separate application is required. For admission to undergraduate degrees at UNSW all applicants completing an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (Year 12) - either in Australia or off-shore - must lodge an application via UAC. Applicants completing the International Baccalaureate also apply via UAC.

If you have a preference for a degree included in HSC Plus at the close of change of preferences AND your performance in a Year 12 course or courses is in the specified band, points will be automatically added to your ATAR or equivalent to increase your selection rank for that preference.

Example

The following example illustrates how HSC Plus works. The applicant below completed the NSW Higher School Certificate. For this applicant you can see the HSC courses undertaken, the performance band achieved in each and the applicant’s overall performance as measured by the ATAR. Also listed is the applicant’s list of UNSW Canberra preferences, HSC Plus points awarded for each preference and the applicant’s increased selection ranks.

Tom receives an ATAR of 75.85 in 2015.

Tom’s UAC preferences for UNSW Canberra:

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<tr>
<th>UAC Code</th>
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HSC Courses

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Educational Access Scheme (EAS)

UNSW is committed to the goals of equal opportunity and affirmative action in education. The EAS (established in 1987) is part of this commitment and is provided for students new to higher education who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage. The EAS allows UNSW to take the circumstances of individual applicants into account when allocating places in undergraduate programs.

Who is eligible to apply for the EAS?
To be eligible to apply for consideration under the EAS you must:
- be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or a permanent resident of Australia (includes holders of a permanent humanitarian visa)
- have experienced long-term educational disadvantage so that your Year 11 and/or Year 12 studies (or equivalent) have been affected by circumstances beyond your control
- achieve an ATAR or equivalent.

Who is not eligible to apply for the EAS?
You are not eligible to apply for consideration under the EAS if:
- you are an international fee-paying student
- you are currently enrolled in or have previously undertaken university, TAFE, college or other tertiary level studies either here or overseas (tertiary being defined as Diploma level or above)
- you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and are applying for entry through the Nura Gili Indigenous Admission Scheme.

Types of disadvantage considered under EAS
The range of circumstances considered under EAS includes:
- financial hardship/low socioeconomic status
- English language difficulties
- refugee status
- disability or long-term illness/medical condition
- severe family illness/death
- attendance at a rural or disadvantaged high school*

*Please note that UNSW does not accept all categories of rural or disadvantaged schools. Please refer to: www.uac.edu.au/eas/schools

ADJUSTMENT FACTORS
(more commonly known as Bonus Points)
How the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) works

Applicants for UNSW’s EAS lodge an EAS application and their circumstances are assessed centrally at UAC according to guidelines agreed to by all UAC participating institutions. UNSW uses the centralised EAS assessment to award successful applicants EAS points to their admission rank.

This means that an applicant’s selection rank is increased and they compete with all other applicants for a place in the course. The allocation of EAS points does not guarantee entry to UNSW or to an applicant’s preferred course - applicants must meet the published cut-off for the course they are applying to.

How to apply for consideration under the EAS

If you wish to apply for consideration under the EAS you must lodge two applications with the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC).

Part 1: UAC Undergraduate - admission to university application

Applicants apply for university entry through the UAC. See the UAC website for details.

www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate

Part 2: UAC Educational Access Schemes (EAS) application

Applicants who have experienced educational disadvantage can lodge an application for Educational Access Schemes (at one or more universities) through UAC. Applicants complete a common form for Educational Access Schemes (EAS) at all participating universities. Booklets containing an EAS application form are available from careers advisers at your school or from UAC. There is no charge for lodging an EAS application.
Elite Athletes and Performers

The EAP Program awards up to five points to students who have excelled in areas of sport, academia, performance, leadership, and/or music on a national or international level.

Activities and/or commitments should have been undertaken in Years 11 and 12.
- Elite athletes will have participated in sport at the level of national or international competition
- Elite performers (including leaders) will have participated in significant national or international productions, competitions or events. An elite performer is a student who has demonstrated excellence through performing arts, scholastic achievement or leadership on a national or international level

The Elite Athletes and Performers Points table provides a guide to the points available under the program.

How to apply for consideration under the EAP

All Elite Athletes and Performers applicants must complete the online application form and ensure that certified documentation is attached to the online application or emailed to: eap@unsw.edu.au by the closing date.

For students applying for entry to UNSW for 2019, EAP applications will be opening mid-2018. Please continue to check the following address for updates: www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/bonus-points

Please note that applications for the Elite Athletes and Performers must be lodged by the end of November 2018.
2018 Elite Athletes and Performers points table

Please be advised that the EAP Program is now under review for entry in 2019. The points table for entry to UNSW in 2018 can be viewed below. The revised table for 2019 will be available in October 2018. UNSW reserves the right to change any degree, admission requirement, points or any other information without notice.* No points awarded ‘For Leisure’

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<th>Academic</th>
<th>Leadership</th>
<th>Sport</th>
<th>Music</th>
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<td>5 points</td>
<td>Australian Junior Chess League - International Representative</td>
<td>Queen’s Scout Award</td>
<td>Member of Australian Team open or underage (all sports)</td>
<td>LMus Diploma Pass</td>
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<td>4 points</td>
<td>Australian Junior Chess League - National Representative</td>
<td>Queen’s Guide Award</td>
<td>State Institute / Sports Academics</td>
<td>Trinity Guildhall LTCL with Distinction</td>
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<td>3 points</td>
<td>Australian Mathematics Competition - Medal</td>
<td>Australian Student Government</td>
<td>AIS</td>
<td>AMus Diploma Pass</td>
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<td>2 points</td>
<td>National Schools Debating Championship - Participant</td>
<td>Duke of Edinburgh Gold (approval by DOE board is required)</td>
<td>Australian Cricketers’ Association</td>
<td>Certificate of Performance (CVCA, CDPA)*</td>
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<td>1 point</td>
<td>Australian Science Olympiad Summer School Participant</td>
<td>School Captain</td>
<td>Australian Schoolboys’ Association</td>
<td>AMEB Grade 8 with Distinction (A or A+)*</td>
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<td>Australian Schoolgirls’ Association</td>
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<td>World Schools Debating Championship - Participant</td>
<td>Regimental Sergeant Major / Cadet Warrant Officer Class 1</td>
<td>Australian School Representative Teams</td>
<td>ABRSM Grade 8 with High Distinction or Distinction</td>
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*No points awarded ‘For Leisure’

**Notes:**
- *Music:* AMus Diploma Pass
- *Music:* Trinity Guildhall ATCL with Distinction
- *Music:* AMEB LMus Diploma
- *Music:* Trinity Guildhall Grade 8 with Distinction

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**Academic:**
- Member of Australian Maths and Science Olympiad Team
- Australian Junior Chess League - National Representative
- Australian Mathematics Competition - Medal
- Australian Mathematics Competition - Prize
- World Schools Debating Championship - Participant

**Leadership:**
- Queen’s Scout Award
- Queen’s Guide Award
- Duke of Edinburgh Gold (approval by DOE board is required)
- State Youth Governor
- Cadet Under Officer (CUO)
- Regimental Sergeant Major / Cadet Warrant Officer Class 1
- School Captain

**Sport:**
- Member of National League Team
- State Open (Senior State Representation) Ranked in the Top 10 in Australia (individual)
- Australian Schoolboys/ girls
- National School Debating Championship - Participant
- Coach Career Management Program
- National Umpiring/ Refereeing

**Music:**
- Leader of Section in Australian Youth Orchestra
- Certificate of Performance (CVCA, CDPA)*
- AMEB Grade 8 with Distinction (A or A+)*
- Trinity Guildhall ATCL with Distinction
- ABRSM Grade 8 with High Distinction or Distinction
- IMEB AMus Diploma
- Trinity Guildhall ATCL with Distinction
- Member of Australian Youth Orchestra / National Choir (e.g. Gondwana Voices)
- Trinity Guildhall Grade 8 with Distinction

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*No points awarded ‘For Leisure’
ALTERNATIVE ENTRY

UNSW does not admit students on the basis of age. All students are assessed on the basis of academic merit and you must have a qualification we accept to be considered for admission. If you do not already have an accepted qualification or your qualifications are below our minimum entry requirements there are a number of alternative entry qualifications that can help you gain entry to UNSW.

The best option for you will depend on your age, previous qualifications and the program you would like to study. Admission is based on your overall academic record, that is your secondary and post-secondary studies. For UNSW Canberra at ADFA candidates, admission is based on the highest entrance rank - whether it is your Year 12 ATAR/OP or other academic qualification, such as TAFE.

Transferring from outside UNSW

From another university
UNSW considers students from other universities (in Australia and overseas) who wish to transfer to an undergraduate degree. If you hold overseas qualifications from a country where English is not the standard language of instruction, you will need to provide proof of English language proficiency - check our English language proficiency requirements.

To have your university studies considered for admission, you should preferably complete one year of full-time study, but a minimum of 0.75 full-time equivalent load (typically the equivalent of six UNSW courses) within one degree at your university. All applications are submitted through UAC.

Special Consideration for Applicants with Tertiary Study (SCATS)
SCATS is for applicants who have undertaken university studies and who are applying for admission to an undergraduate degree. SCATS provides a mechanism for applicants whose secondary and/or tertiary performance has been affected by long-term educational disadvantage due to circumstances beyond their control to have this taken into account in the admissions process. Applicants who have been excluded from UNSW or another tertiary institution are required to submit a SCATS application explaining the circumstances surrounding their exclusion.

UNSW Preparation Program (UNSW Prep 17-19)
The UNSW Prep Program is designed for students who are keen to study at university but have faced challenges in Year 11 and 12 that make them eligible for the UNSW Access Scheme, and who don’t meet the cut off for entry.

UNSW Prep is a one year (18 months for engineering) pathway to a UNSW degree place.

From TAFE or a professional college
By completing an Advanced Diploma or Diploma from a TAFE or Professional College, and accredited under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF), you can be considered for admission for some of the degree programs at UNSW Canberra.

Credit transfer
If you have completed studies at another institution you may be eligible for credit towards your UNSW degree. Credit transfer is not determined until after an offer of admission has been made. The amount of credit awarded depends on how closely your completed subjects relate to the equivalent courses in your UNSW degree.
Alternative qualifications for applicants (21 years or older)

University Preparation Program (UPP)
UNSW’s UPP is designed to assess your academic potential and to provide you with a realistic university environment to develop the skills needed to manage tertiary studies. It is open to domestic students who will be 21 years or older on 1 March in the year of admission to an undergraduate degree and who do not have qualifications which allow university entry. The UPP does not guarantee admission to UNSW but can be used as evidence of recent study when applying for admission.

Certificate IV in Tertiary Preparation (TPC)
The Certificate IV in Tertiary Preparation (TPC) course will help you develop a broad range of skills necessary to gain entry to and succeed in tertiary education and employment. Students who successfully complete the TPC will be eligible to receive the scaled Tertiary Entrance Score (TES). The Universities Admission Centre (UAC) uses the TAFE calculated TES to assist universities in making offers of places to TPC graduates.

The TPC conducted by TAFE can be completed in one year of full-time study or two years of part-time study. To be eligible you will need to:
- be at least 21 years of age or older on 1 March in the year of admission to an undergraduate degree
- complete 10 semester units of study
- obtain a score of 196/300 as a minimum entrance requirement or above 270/300 for more competitive degrees

*Other tertiary preparation programs
You can also gain entry into many of our degrees by completing one of the tertiary preparation programs listed below. To be eligible you must be 21 years or older on 1 March in the year of admission to an undergraduate program.
- Open Foundation Program - University of Newcastle. You must successfully complete the program with at least 20 units of humanities courses
- University Preparation Course (UPC) - University of Sydney.

Post Year 12 applicants
Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS)
UAC’s Qualifications Assessment Service (QAS) provides prospective applicants with an assessment of their qualifications. This may be used as a guide by admissions officers for determining eligibility for courses offered by UAC’s participating institutions.
www.uac.edu.au/general/qas.shtml

Important points about the QAS:
UAC can only assess qualifications from the documents provided and UAC may decline to assess qualifications if the information for a valid assessment is not provided. The assessment is not an application for study at UAC’s participating institutions.
- The assessment is valid as of the date of issue and is based on the confidential common assessment procedures and guidelines approved by UAC’s participating institutions.
- The assessment is a guide only, and UAC’s participating institutions are not bound by the assessment.

Overseas qualifications
If you’re an Australian citizen who completed Year 12 equivalent overseas, or completed the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma anywhere in the world, you can apply through UAC.
THE ADFA
UNSW CANBERRA
ADMISSION PROCESS

The Dual Application Process

**ADF Process**

- Choose and apply for your role at [www.defencejobs.gov.au](http://www.defencejobs.gov.au), call a recruiter or visit your local recruiting centre
- Attend a Your Opportunities Unlimited (you) session (preferably in Year 11 or early 12)
- Attend an assessment day with a psychological interview, medical assessment and ADF interview
- Attend an officer selection board in Canberra
- Receive offer from the ADF
- Accept ADF offer (subject to passing pre-entry fitness assessment and final medical)

**UNSW Canberra Process**

- View UNSW Canberra degree options and application process at [www.unsw.adfa.edu.au](http://www.unsw.adfa.edu.au)
- Decide which degree to apply to based on your career choice
- Apply for UNSW Canberra-ADFA through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au) and any applicable Adjustment Factors schemes (opens in August in the year prior to the year of entry)
- Accept UAC offer

**Welcome to ADFA**

* University Applications open mid August in year prior to admission
Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)

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*Please check dates at: [www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate](http://www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate)

Year 12 applicants - processing charge - approximately $58.
Non Year 12 applicants - processing charge - approximately $68.
Costs increase to approximately $183-$193 after on time applications close.

Further information about offers

What if I’m not made an offer by Defence?

If you do not receive an Australian Defence Force job offer you may be able to reapply to Defence Force Recruiting in the following year. In the meantime you can enrol at another university in a degree program as close as possible to that which you would have taken at UNSW Canberra. If you are successful in your subsequent DFR application and UAC application for the following year, you may be eligible for credit for courses completed at the other university.