



SA & NT

Applying to University Survival Guide

2024-2025



South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre

What is SATAC?

SATAC's job is to process and assess applications for entry to tertiary courses in South Australia and the Northern Territory. They also process applications for selected equity scholarships at University of South Australia and calculate the university aggregate and ATAR for SACE and NTCET students.

You need to apply online through SATAC for the following institutions:

- [Charles Darwin University](#)
- [Flinders University](#)
- [SAIBT](#)
- [Tabor Institute of Higher Education](#)
- [TAFE SA](#)
- [The University of Adelaide](#)
- [Torrens University Australia](#)
- [University of South Australia](#)

The video below provides a concise overview of SATAC:



2025 SATAC Guide

The SATAC Guide provides information about applying for undergraduate and TAFE SA courses through SATAC. Download it now to help you prepare for and complete your application.



This guide is summarised from the [SATAC website](#). You should refer to it regularly for the most current information to assist with your application.

Connect with SATAC

Connect with SATAC to have the latest information and reminders at your finger tips.



SATAC Key Dates

Undergraduate

Some courses have early closing dates which are not listed below. Visit the [SATAC Undergraduate Key Dates](#) page to check if the courses you want to apply for close early.

5 August 2024	Applications open for 2025 study. Application fee: \$60.
30 September 2024	SATAC fee increase to \$210 for applications after this date.
2 December 2024	Equal consideration closing date for other remaining Semester 1 courses.
2 January 2025	Change of preference deadline for Semester 1 offers.
10 January 2025	Mid January offer round. Offers will be emailed by 5pm.
23 January 2025	Second January offer round will be emailed by 5pm.
From 30 January	Every Tuesday and Thursday Further offer rounds emailed Tuesdays and Thursdays

TAFE SA

5 August 2024	Applications open for 2025 study. Applications are free of charge.
30 August 2024	Complete CSPA to be considered in the first offer round.
6 September 2024	First offer round. Offers will be available online from 11 am.
20 September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Response deadline for the first offer round.• Complete CSPA to be considered in the second offer round.
27 September 2024	Second offer round. Offers will be available online from 11 am.
11 October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Response deadline for the second offer round.• Complete CSPA by this date to be considered in the third offer round.
18 October 2024	Third offer round. Offers will be available online from 11 am.
1 November 2024	Response deadline for the third offer round.

Visit the [SATAC TAFE SA Key Dates](#) page further offer round dates throughout November – January.

International Students



Differences for Year 12 International Students

You are considered an international Year 12 applicant if you are studying the SACE or NTCET, IB Diploma, or an interstate equivalent in 2024 and do not hold Australian citizenship, New Zealand citizenship, or Australian permanent residence.

Applying for Undergraduate Courses

International Year 12 applicants to Charles Darwin University, Flinders University, The University of Adelaide and University of South Australia, can apply for undergraduate courses through SATAC.

Courses offered by SAIMT, Tabor or Torrens University Australia are not available to international applicants through SATAC.

Applying for TAFE SA Courses

If you are an international applicant on a **student visa subclass 500** you do not apply through SATAC. Contact TAFE SA on 1800 049 492 or [visit the TAFE SA website](#).

If you hold another visa type you can apply through SATAC. TAFE SA will inform you about your eligibility to study and tuition fees when you enrol. Email admissions@tafesa.edu.au and include your visa number and subclass.

5 August 2024	Applications open for Semester 1 2025.
2 December 2024	Deadline for new applications to be considered in the December offer rounds. New applications and/or changes of preference after this date will be considered if there are places available.
Mid-December to early January 2025	Several offer rounds – offers sent by email from SATAC as results become available from the SACE Board and interstate.
3 January 2025	SATAC's website closed for new applications and changes of preference. Any new applications can be made direct to the institutions.
8 January 2025	Final SATAC offer round – offers sent by email from SATAC. No further offers are made by SATAC after this date.

Making Your SATAC Application

1. Find Courses

Use Course Search to get an idea the courses you want to apply for, including the course name and the SATAC course code.

2. Register with mySATAC

If it's your first time using SATAC, you'll need to create an account. Register using a personal email address (not your school one).

You will need your candidate ID number to apply for undergraduate courses. You can check this number with your school or board of studies.

3. Apply

Once you've registered or logged in, the basic application steps are:

- Read and accept the terms and conditions.
- Complete the personal details page.
- Choose your course preferences.
- Provide details about your qualifications and experience.
- Check your application and submit it.

If you can't complete your application in one go, it will be saved and you can return to it later.

After you've submitted your application, you can log in to:

- Pay your processing fee.
- Provide documents.
- Change your preferences.
- Update your personal details.
- Check and respond to offers.

Listing Preferences

You must include at least one preference in a SATAC application.

- **Undergraduate applicants can list up to six preferences in an application.**
- **TAFE SA applicants can list up to three preferences.**

List courses in the order that you want them – SATAC assumes that your first preference is the course that you most want to study.

If you miss out on an offer to your first preference you will compete for a place in each of your other preferences in the order they are listed.

Use your lower preferences to list courses you would consider if you miss out on your first choice.

Changing Preferences

You can change your preferences online via your application for free. Changing preferences means:

- Adding new preferences to your list
- Changing the order of your preferences
- Deleting one or more preferences

Application demonstration

This video below walks you through each step of the SATAC application process.



Special Consideration and Scholarships

Special Consideration

Current Year 12 students cannot seek special consideration through SATAC.

Year 12 students in South Australia or the Northern Territory can seek consideration from the [SACE Board](#).

Year 12 students in other states should seek special consideration from the board of studies in that state.

Equity Scholarship Evidence

- If you receive a Commonwealth means-tested income support payment you will need Your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN).
- If you don't receive a Commonwealth means-tested support payment, you will need to supply an income statement for each person in your household for the last two financial years.

For consideration for rural or regional ranking, you will need:

- Your permanent residence postcode.
- The state that you moved to for study.
- To provide the names and postcodes of the schools you attended for the last two years of your secondary schooling.

University of SA Equity Scholarships

SATAC process Equity Scholarships on behalf of the University of South Australia. You can apply for an Equity Scholarship through SATAC if you:

- Are an Australian citizen.
- An Australian permanent resident.
- Hold a permanent humanitarian visa.
- Are enrolling in a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) at University of South Australia.

To apply, you need to provide your SATAC application reference number and proof of financial disadvantage and if relevant, proof of rural/regional residence.

Frequently asked questions

Common questions and answers about Equity Scholarships

Get answers

Other Scholarships

SATAC's [participating institutions](#) offer a range of scholarships and grants. Contact the institution for more information about the scholarships on offer.

Student Resources

SACE/NTCET & IB Diploma Tertiary Entrance Guide

Use these booklets for information about the ATAR to prerequisites, scaling, and adjustment factors, and transitioning from school to tertiary studies.



Infographics

Download and stick these 'SATAC Timeline', 'How Selection Works', and 'Changing Your Preferences', infographics in your study space for quick reference.



Applying Interstate

If you want to apply to an interstate institution (except Charles Darwin University in the Northern Territory), visit the relevant state's Tertiary Admissions Centre (TAC) for application processes and fees:

- New South Wales: [UAC](#)
- Queensland: [QTAC](#)
- Tasmania: [University of Tasmania](#)
- Victoria: [VTAC](#)
- Western Australia: [TISC](#)

Good!
Luck!