

# Checklist for parents and carers of year 12 students



Use this checklist to help guide your teen on their path to university.

## ○ Discuss degree preference list

What does your teen want to study? The first preference should be the degree they most want to study. Remember preferences should include back up options.

## ○ Assist with early offer application

Apply for our free Early Entry Program\* via [newcastle.edu.au/early](https://newcastle.edu.au/early). Early offers are based on year 11 results and offers are conditional on completing the HSC or equivalent. Round 1 applications close on 3 September, with offers released on 10 September.

## ○ Encourage your teen to apply via UAC

Encourage your teen to apply through UAC, which will consider entry to a degree using their ATAR results. Apply for the Schools Recommendation Scheme through this application. Apply before the early bird cut-off date (refer to UAC website) for the discounted price. [uac.edu.au](https://uac.edu.au)

## ○ Explore Open Day with your teen

Open day is a chance to discover what life is like on campus. Talk with current students and academics, attend program sessions and learn about scholarships, academic support and alternate pathways, plus much more. This is a great opportunity for your teen to make final decision on the degree they most would like to study.

### 2026 Open Days

**Newcastle** Saturday 15th August

**Central Coast** Saturday 29th August

## ○ Apply for accommodation

Help your teen with their accommodation application. Places are competitive so ensure they apply as soon as applications open.

[newcastle.edu.au/accommodation](https://newcastle.edu.au/accommodation)

## ○ Scholarships

We have hundreds of scholarship programs available with over 1,000 individual scholarships on offer ranging from \$1,500 to \$75,000.

[newcastle.edu.au/scholarships](https://newcastle.edu.au/scholarships)

## ○ Support your teen through HSC exams

Encourage your teen to do their best but not to stress. If they don't receive the marks they are hoping for, we are the largest provider of alternate entry programs in Australia. There's a place for them at the University of Newcastle.

## ○ Acceptance of offer

If your teen received an offer to study with us, remind them to follow the instructions on the offer email to accept their offer within seven days to secure their place.

## ○ Assist them to enrol to university

Once they have accepted an offer to the degree they would like to study, they need to enrol for study. Make sure they have their Unique Student Identifier (USI) and Tax File Number (TFN) handy.

[newcastle.edu.au/enrol](https://newcastle.edu.au/enrol)

## ○ Preparation for university

Your teen can sign up for free short courses through NUPrep on core topics within academic skills, maths, sciences and education to help prepare for study at university.

[newcastle.edu.au/nuprep](https://newcastle.edu.au/nuprep)

## ○ Welcome Week attendance

Encourage your teen to come along to Welcome Week to make their transition to university life easier by attending social and academic activities. They can sign up to clubs and societies and make new friends by getting involved. Attend the parent information session.

[newcastle.edu.au/welcome-week](https://newcastle.edu.au/welcome-week)



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