

Careers News February 15, 2021

ANU Applying direct for 2022

Direct applications are available to prospective students who meet all the following criteria:

- Completed Australian Year 11 or International Baccalaureate Year 11
- Currently completing Australian Year 12 studies in 2021 or an International Baccalaureate Diploma in November 2021.
- Applying for an undergraduate program that starts in 2022.

If this does not apply to you, learn more about the application process that matches your qualifications.

What you need to know:

- **Offers released on 9 August 2021 are based on your Year 11 results and these will be honoured for study in 2022 as long as you complete Year 12 and achieve an ATAR**
- If your Year 11 results don't meet entry requirements, we will automatically consider your Year 12 results in the December offer round
- There is no application fee
- You will be required to meet the co-curricular or service requirement - we have adjusted our requirements due to the disruptions of COVID-19, please review the updated co-curricular or service schedule
- You will apply for admission, guaranteed accommodation, and over 200 scholarships all in one application

For information on how we assess your application, please refer to the Domestic undergraduate admission page.

<https://www.anu.edu.au/study/apply/domestic-applications-anu-undergraduate>

ADF Engineering Careers Virtual Information Session (NSW/ACT)

4 March 2021, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Online

Engineers in the ADF spend their careers working with some of the world's most sophisticated hardware and technology. Consider a career in the Navy, Army or Air Force keeping Defence's weapons, vehicles, aircraft, ships and infrastructure operating safely and effectively.

Find out more: <https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/events-detail/uqef7yy>

ADF Gap Year Virtual Information Session

17 March 2021, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Online

Spend an exciting 12 months in the Navy, Army or Air Force, where you'll get paid for meaningful work while travelling Australia, gaining skills for life and making lifelong friends.

Join us for a virtual information session and speak with current serving members about the Australian Defence Force Gap Year.

Find out more: <https://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events/events-detail/yf7xs81>

Sydney UTAS – Nursing in 2 years fast track degree

Direct applications to the University of Tasmania open in August.

Nurses make up the largest health professional group in the world, and a nursing career offers varied opportunities in many healthcare settings and areas such as acute care, addiction, child and family health, community, emergency, mental health, midwifery, oncology – just to name a few.

We offer a two-year fast-track Nursing degree from our campuses in Rozelle and Darlinghurst. As a student, you will work with experienced industry partners including hospitals, local health districts and aged care facilities in Sydney, giving you the hands-on practice that employers value and actively look for in graduates.

On graduation, you will be eligible to apply for registration as a nurse, and ready to begin an exciting career.

<https://www.utas.edu.au/courses/chm/courses/h3r-bachelor-of-nursing-fast-track-rozelle>

UTAS Paramedicine in 2 years fast track degree

Direct applications to the University of Tasmania open in August.

Paramedics provide care to patients in the community and out of hospital settings. This field demands both highly developed clinical skills and the ability to think critically, even in stressful situations.

We offer a two-year fast-track degree from our Rozelle campus, preparing students with opportunities to learn in simulated environments and in the real world. Students practice in the University's ambulance simulation vehicles and at various ambulance stations and other specialist health facilities, like hospitals and aged care.

Paramedics are required to treat patients across the spectrum of illness, from motor vehicle accidents and other severe trauma, to complex medical and mental health cases. They work closely with their colleagues, often in situations that are both physically and emotionally challenging.

If you are compassionate, committed and want to make a difference in your community then a career in Paramedicine may be right for you.

<https://www.utas.edu.au/courses/chm/courses/53a-bachelor-of-paramedic-practice>

AIE | Open Day

15 May 2021, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Ultimo and Online

Discover the courses designed to get you started in game development, 3D animation and visual effects at the AIE Open Day.

AIE Campuses in Sydney, Adelaide and Canberra will be open for you to check out the facilities, meet our teachers and see our student work. We will also be holding a livestream of our Open Day for prospective students in Melbourne and those thinking of studying online.

We will be covering everything you need to know about the:

- careers in games and VFX that we train students for;
- studios and industries that we work with;
- courses we offer – from beginners to professional mastery, and;
- the software, skills and knowledge we teach.

AIE's Open Day will also include presentations on entry requirements and how to apply. Find out how AIE can get you into a creative career.

Find out more: https://aie.edu.au/aie_event/open-day/

AFTT | Open Day

22 May 2021, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

Academy of Film, Theatre & Television, Surry Hills

Experience Australia's most exciting creative arts academy, where taking risks is expected, pushing boundaries is encouraged, and collaboration is key.

If you're searching for information about a career in Film, Acting or Live Production then come along to our open day and learn how to build your creative future.

On the day you'll be able to:

- Explore our Acting, Film and Live Production departments
- Explore the campus facilities
- Speak to current students to get a genuine insight of the course you are interested in
- Find out more from the tutors who run the acting, filmmaking and stage management departments
- Learn about VET Student Loans and how to best finance your studies

Find out more: <https://www.aftt.edu.au/events/open-days/may-open-day>

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Click the link, fill in the form and you will receive your free career guide.

<https://visit.tafensw.edu.au/careerguide>

TAFE Degrees

Achieve your academic and career goals with TAFE NSW Higher Education degrees or articulation and credit transfer from diploma study into degree programs.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/search?q=degrees>

HSC Preparation Course - Years 10-12 Course: Essay Writing

This two-day Essay Writing course focuses on the essay form and related critical thinking, language and punctuation skills for students in Years 10 – 12. The course is relevant to a range of subjects that require the writing of essays for assignments and exams.

<https://cce.sydney.edu.au/course/ESH2>

Job Spotlight

How to become an IT Support Officer

Diagnose and resolve hardware and software issues for computer users

What do IT Support Officers do?

IT Support Officers provide help and advice to people and organisations to sort out their computer software and equipment problems and requirements. From setting up, installing technology and software, to troubleshooting. Updating, servicing, and maintaining IT equipment. Providing training and solutions, they're constantly working to make workplaces more competitive, running more effectively and securely.

If you love IT, enjoy customer service roles and you'd love to work as part of a team but take responsibility for your own workload; a career in IT Support could be worth considering.

About you:

- Strong client focus and genuine desire to help
- Analytical and methodical with great problem-solving skills
- Persistent and patient
- Good communication skills including an ability to explain technical issues in easy-to-understand language
- Extensive knowledge of computer operating systems, hardware and software
- Works well in a team
- Flexible and able to deal with change, committed to continuously updating your knowledge

The job:

As an IT Support Officer, you could be working in a team or in a management role. On a daily basis you could be:

- Helping users to solve problems or providing training (face-to-face or online)
- Finding and fixing faults
- Assessing issues and prioritising them for action
- Network maintenance, monitoring and other administration
- Determining hardware and software requirements and carrying out installations
- Implementing computer networks, designing and maintaining websites, online forms and other apps
- Carrying out repairs or replacement of equipment

Lifestyle Impact: Low

- Part Time opportunities: Low – only around 15% of IT Support Officers work part-time (source: Joboutlook.gov.au)
- Average hours for full-time workers: 41 hours a week (source: joboutlook.gov.au)
- IT Support Officers salary (average) \$68,000* per year (Source: com.au) *salaries vary between industries, your role, and depending on your skills and experience
- Future career growth: Strong (Source: Joboutlook.gov.au)
- Working in IT not only ensures plenty of job security but also opens up lots of opportunities. IT Support Officers are required all over the world and in every industry.

IT Support Officers are most in demand in these locations:

This is a large and growing occupation, with work opportunities available in most regions of Australia – even remote areas. New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria employ the largest shares of workers in this role, but you could work from home anywhere in the country.

How to become an IT Support Officer in Australia

Although you don't need a formal qualification in information technology or digital media to work as an IT Support Officer, having those qualifications could create more job opportunities and allow you to progress faster.

Lots of employers may prefer a bachelor's degree and if you're applying for more technical positions, you'll most likely need a degree in computer science, engineering, or information technology.

If you don't have any formal qualifications, you could still work as an IT Support Officer, you'll need to prove that you have extensive experience with a great resume or portfolio and plenty of professional recommendations.

Step 1 – Choose high school subjects including IT, Digital Media and Business could prove useful. Prerequisites for undergraduate courses may also want you to have English and Maths to Year 12. It's also a good idea to work on your customer service and communication skills.

Step 2 – Complete relevant VET or tertiary qualification e.g.:

[Certificate III Information Technology](#)

[Certificate III Information, Digital Media and Technology](#)

[Certificate IV Information Technology Support](#)

[Diploma of Information Technology](#)

[Advanced Diploma of Industrial Data Communication, Networking and IT](#)

Remember, you may have the option of studying some courses online. You could even complete them part time while you work and gain experience.

Step 3 – Keep up with changes in technology, by continuing your education even once you've got a job.

Step 4 – With work experience, you could move into a supervisory or management role. You could also apply for roles in training or technical sales.

Similar Careers to IT Support Officer

Network engineering

Database administration

Business or systems analysis

[Cyber Security](#)

IT Project Management

[Web Designer](#)

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