



# ANU Direct Entry Scheme 2025

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Key dates:

1 October 2025	Deadline to accept early offers (academic, accommodation and scholarship)
1 November 2025	Degree change of preference opens for all programs except for Bachelor of Health Science and Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology
	Document upload opens
30 November 2025	Final date to add Bachelor of Visual Arts or Bachelor of Design as preferences
	Final date to add Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours)-Science and Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours)-Humanities and Social Sciences as preferences
	Deadline to provide all supporting documents.
14 December 2025	Change of preference closes for the rest of the programs (December round)
Late December 2025/Early January 2026 (date TBC upon ATAR results release date)	Final, unconditional offers released (based on the better of your Year 11 and Year 12 results)
29 December 2025	Application portal reopens for change of preferences (Not all programs are available for preference changes.)
30 January 2026	Final deadline to accept offers-December and January round (Academic + Scholarship) offers

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## Part 1: Admissions

### How do I accept my offer?

You need to accept your ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer before 1 October 2025.

To accept your offer, you will need to log in to the application portal and click on the offer tab to view your offer. Respond to **all** components of the offer:

- Click on respond in the Admission section to respond to your academic offer.
- Click on respond in the Scholarship section to respond to your Scholarship offer (if applicable).
- Click on respond in the Accommodation section to respond to your accommodation offer (if applicable).

Your response to each section of the application will be recorded separately. You can download a copy of this offer by clicking on the little cloud next to your offer.

### How do I defer my offer?

Accept all parts of your ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer for now. Once you receive your final offer in December/January, you will have the option to defer your degree offer for up to 12 months. You cannot defer accommodation; however, you are still under the Accommodation Guarantee if you reapply once it gets closer to the intake you deferred your academic offer to. Check your Conditions of Award to see if a scholarship can be deferred.

### What conditions are attached to my ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer?

Once you accept your ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer, ANU will honour it as long as you finish Year 12 and achieve an ATAR or ATAR equivalent. You are not required to receive a specific ATAR score. You will still need to meet other program prerequisites (e.g. mathematics, chemistry).

You need to keep the degree you have been offered somewhere in your preferences list going into the final offer round. This will ensure you retain your early offer in the event you are unsuccessful in receiving a new offer to a higher preference.

Accepting your early offer does not prevent you from receiving offers from other institutions.

## I received an offer to my first preference and I'm happy with it. Do I need to do anything?

Applicants must accept the offer they have received by 1 October 2025. If you are satisfied with the offer for your current first preference, no further action is required upon offer acceptance. At the final offer stage, this offer will be reconfirmed, provided you complete Year 12 with an ATAR or equivalent.

## Do I need to apply through UAC to secure my offer?

If you have already completed and submitted an ANU Direct Entry Scheme application to ANU, you should not include ANU preferences on your UAC application, as these preferences will not be considered. The only exception is for the **Bachelor of Health Science**. Please note that no additional offers for the Bachelor of Health Science will be issued through the early offer application process. If you were not successful with this preference, you may list the Bachelor of Health Science as your sole ANU preference on your UAC application.

## Why did I not receive my first degree preference?

Offers are made to your highest eligible degree preference. If you did not receive an offer to your first preference, this means your results were not competitive enough to receive an offer to that degree preference at the early offer stage.

For now, accept your ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer and keep it somewhere in your preferences list. In the December offer round, your final set of preferences will be reassessed using the better of your Year 11 or your Year 12 results. If you are competitive for a higher preference in the final offer round, you will receive a new offer that will supersede your early offer.

**Please note** there will be no more offers issued to the Bachelor of Health Science through the direct application process.

If you were unsuccessful in receiving an offer to your preferred degree in the final offer round, you can explore internal transfer options after one or two semesters of study. This is a particularly common entry pathway for Law degrees.

## How come I received an offer for a program I didn't apply for?

The offer you receive might differ from your top 5 preferences if you were not eligible for any of their selected preferences. In such cases, the offer letter will not include a rank due to a system limitation we are aware of. You can email [admissions@anu.edu.au](mailto:admissions@anu.edu.au) to find out your ANU Selection Rank.

**Please note**, if you update your preferences and are again not eligible based on your year 12, we will duplicate the above process.

## Why didn't I receive an ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer?

There could be several reasons:

**Selection Rank:** Does the selection rank meet the program's entry requirements? For ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer assessments, we consider your Year 11 selection rank, which includes your raw Year 11 rank plus any adjustment factors. Note that programs with a selection rank of 97 or above apply a maximum of 5 EAS adjustments and none for subject, performance, or elite athlete adjustments.

**Prerequisite Requirements:** Did you meet all the program's prerequisite requirements?

**Additional Criteria:** Did you apply for programs with additional criteria (e.g., a portfolio or supplementary form) and did you achieve a PASS outcome for these additional criteria?

If all of the above are met but still no offer, please email [admissions@anu.edu.au](mailto:admissions@anu.edu.au) for a review.

## How do I find out why I didn't receive an offer?

You can contact our team by sending an email to [admissions@anu.edu.au](mailto:admissions@anu.edu.au). Please include your full name and application number. We will then provide a detailed explanation in writing.

## I wasn't eligible for an ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer, what should I do now?

If you did not receive an offer due to missing supporting documents, you should upload the required documents when the portal reopens in November. If the reason for not receiving an offer was not meeting the selection rank requirement, your application has been placed on the waitlist. It will be automatically reassessed during the final offer round, using the higher of your Year 11 or Year 12 selection rank.

## How is my ANU Selection Rank calculated?

Your ANU Selection Rank is calculated using a complex mathematical model that uses your Year 11 results, your school's average ATAR performance in previous years, and any adjustment factors you are eligible for.

Your ANU Selection Rank may be different for different degree programs, since some degrees only accept limited adjustment factors (including Bachelor of Law, PhB programs and R&D programs).

To ensure the best possible outcome for your application, your final set of preferences will be reassessed in December/January using the better of your year 11 or your final ATAR (or equivalent) results.

## Change of degree preference

From 1 November 2025, you can change your degree preferences within the direct application portal. You can rearrange your current preference or add new ones (with the exception of Bachelor of Health Science and Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience and Psychology).

If you change your preferences and receive a new offer to a higher preference in December/January, this new offer will supersede your ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer. You should keep the degree you received in your ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer somewhere in your final preferences, as a back-up if you are unsuccessful in receiving a new offer to a higher preference.

Change of preference closes on:

- 30 November 2025 for Visual Arts & Design degrees,
- 30 November 2025 for PhB degrees, and
- 14 December 2025 for all remaining degrees.

## Further Document Upload

From 1 November 2025, you can add more supporting documentation in the direct application portal, such as documentation for equity adjustment factors. The deadline for document uploads for the final offer round is 1 December 2025.

## Will I need to upload my Year 12 Results?

No, applicants' Year 12 results will automatically be received by ANU upon release.

## Flexible Double Degrees

ANU Direct Entry Scheme offers are made to a Flexible Double Degree group, rather than two specific degree programs. You do not need to choose which two degrees you want to study at the early offer stage.

When you confirm your final offer acceptance in January, you will be asked which two degrees you want to combine. You will need to meet the minimum entry requirements for a degree in order to be able to select it in a combination in December/January.

## What if I'm unhappy with my outcome in September, can I appeal the decision?

Once Year 12 ATAR/equivalent results are released, your application will undergo reassessment. At this point in the process, the assessment is still ongoing. You can only appeal this decision once final outcomes are issued in December or January. After receiving the final outcome, you will have the opportunity to appeal, and more information about the appeal process can be found <https://study.anu.edu.au/apply/appealing-admissions-decision-undergraduate-graduate-coursework-and-higher-degree-research>.

## Part 2: Scholarships

### Are more scholarships still available?

As part of the direct application process, you will have been automatically considered for most ANU scholarships (provided you ticked the box to indicate your interest in scholarships).

Scholarships that require final ATAR results have not yet been offered and will be offered in later rounds, once ATARs are available.

The majority of scholarships available via the ANU Direct Entry Scheme have already been offered in the September round. However, scholarships declined by applicants in September will be offered to the next person in line during later offer rounds. There will be further merit listing and re-issuing of remaining scholarships in the final offer round once all admissions offers are released.

### Can I change my degree preferences and keep a scholarship?

Please check the award conditions, since it will depend on which scholarship you have been offered. If it is a College or program-specific scholarship, then you will forfeit the scholarship if you receive a new degree offer that makes you ineligible for the scholarship.

If you applied for a Flexible Double Degree, then scholarship offers are made based on your indicative degree combination. If you do not/are unable to select that program in the final offer rounds and change to a different program, you may be ineligible for your scholarship.

### Can I defer a scholarship offer?

You will need to read the Conditions of Award associated with your scholarship. Typically, Clause 7 of the Conditions of Award will indicate whether the scholarship can be deferred. The Tuckwell Scholarship cannot be deferred.

## Part 3: Accommodation

### Am I locked in if I accept my ANU Direct Entry Scheme accommodation offer?

At this stage, we recommend accepting all components of your ANU Direct Entry Scheme offer, including accommodation. You will have the opportunity to change your mind and decline your final offer at a later stage.

You will only be asked to pay a deposit after you accept your final accommodation offer in December/January. You will need to accept your accommodation offer and pay the acceptance fees within 72 hours of accepting your final offer.

If you decline your September accommodation offer, you will no longer be eligible for an accommodation offer in later rounds through the ANU Direct Entry Scheme process, and you will need to apply for accommodation separately through the ANU Accommodation portal.

### Can I be reconsidered for a different accommodation?

ANU guarantees an offer of accommodation but cannot guarantee it will be for your preferred residence. If you have received an offer for a residence outside of your preference in the first round, you will have an opportunity to request a change of preference. Accommodation change of preference opens from 3 November to 16 November 2025. You will receive email correspondence containing instructions, change of preferences for accommodation cannot be completed through the ANU Direct Entry Scheme application

portal. Please remember that you must accept your early offer in September to be eligible to request a change of preference.

### Can I apply for accommodation now if I said 'no' initially?

You will need to apply for accommodation separately through the [ANU Accommodation portal](#) (search ANU accommodation portal). Applications open on 1 September 2025. You will receive your accommodation offer separately to your final degree and scholarship offers, outside the direct application portal.

As a first-year, domestic undergraduate student you will be covered by the ANU Accommodation Guarantee provided you receive and accept an ANU degree offer. Accommodation offers outside of the ANU Direct Entry Scheme process are released on a rolling basis from December.

### Can I see the accommodation before I decide?

Absolutely! Our accommodation team can organise a tour of any of our residences during weekdays. Please reach out to the ANU accommodation team via [uni.accom@anu.edu.au](mailto:uni.accom@anu.edu.au) to arrange it.

If you are unable to visit the campus, you can always take a virtual tour available on our website under each residence. <https://study.anu.edu.au/accommodation/our-residences>

### When will I receive more information about my contract and arrival?

Once you accept your final accommodation offer on the ANU Direct Entry Scheme portal, we will email you further details about your accommodation, including a contract and access to our portal to pay Acceptance Fees. Once the fees are paid, your allocated residence will send you a welcome email containing relevant information to ensure a smooth transition to on-campus living.

The Acceptance Fees consist of two weeks of rental payments, a refundable deposit, a student registration fee and a residential committee fee. For more information regarding the specific amounts for your allocated residence, please see the Residential Fee Summary <https://study.anu.edu.au/accommodation/support-resources/fees-occupancy-agreements>

### Can I defer my accommodation offer?

Unfortunately, we are unable to defer your offer of accommodation through the ANU Direct Entry Scheme process. If you have deferred your offer to ANU, we encourage you to submit a separate application through the accommodation [portal](#) (search ANU accommodation portal) when applications open (usually in early September), indicating your circumstances so we can process the application as a priority.