

Australian Fee-based Enrolment 2008



Message from the Vice-Chancellor



The University of Adelaide's Australian Fee-based Enrolment scheme is all about choice for the individual. It allows you to make your own choice - based on your merits - about the program you would like to enrol in and,

quite possibly, the career you would like to pursue.

By studying at Adelaide, you will receive a quality educational experience from an institution that has a history of innovation and tradition.

The University of Adelaide is a member of the Group of Eight universities, which represents Australia's leading universities. Our strong research focus ensures we consistently produce world-class research, which also feeds into our teaching programs. These programs are taught by our excellent staff, many of whom are international leaders in their respective disciplines.

A degree from Adelaide means you are earning a qualification that is respected throughout Australia and the world. We are committed to producing graduates recognised globally for their creativity, knowledge and skills, as well as for their culture and tolerance.

I encourage you to browse this publication and find out why fee-based enrolment at the University of Adelaide could be right for you.

Professor James A. McWha
Vice-Chancellor and President

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Why Choose The University of Adelaide?

Wide ranging expertise in academic disciplines

The University of Adelaide is proud of its record in offering a variety of entry pathways for people wishing to pursue tertiary studies.

We offer a large number of programs which provide enormous career choice and diversity. We have one of the best student-to-staff ratios in the country.

Our staff are leaders in their field and modern teaching facilities mean that your time at Adelaide will be a great springboard into the rest of your life.

Vibrant campus life

Campus life at the University of Adelaide includes:

- careers service
- employment service
- university fitness centre on campus
- a range of student support services including counselling in finance, education and welfare, and workshops in language and study skills
- childcare facilities
- banking and Australia Post
- medical centre
- Radio Adelaide - the largest community broadcaster in South Australia
- currently more than 100 student clubs and societies, including some of South Australia's best amateur sporting teams
- the Adelaide University Union, a major focus for social and cultural activities for students.

Living in Adelaide

Adelaide is more affordable than most other Australian capital cities. The cost of accommodation and transportation is significantly less than in Sydney and Melbourne.

Students have a range of accommodation options to suit all budgets and preferences close to the city; it is very easy to get around either by public transport, bike or on foot.

The University of Adelaide Village accommodation for students provides excellent security and support whilst offering independent living and comfort.





Australian Fee-based Enrolment

What does an Australian Fee Based Enrolment place mean?

An Australian Fee-Based Enrolment (AFBE) place means that the student is responsible for the real cost of their program. Students studying in Commonwealth Supported Places (what used to be called HECS, the Higher Education Contribution Scheme) are required to contribute to the cost of their program by making a payment to the Commonwealth Government; the Government then subsidises their place.

The number of subsidised places is determined by the Government. Under the AFBE system, students pay a set fee for their program directly to the University or defer their payments through FEE-HELP; the minimum entry requirements are set by the University in advance (see page 8).

Why choose an AFBE place?

Applying for an AFBE place means that you can make your own choice and qualify for entry to a program on your own merits. While competition for the quota of Commonwealth Supported Places means that entry scores vary from year to year with demand, AFBE places have a pre-determined entry score set at a level at which it is considered you can reasonably expect to succeed in the program.

Choosing an AFBE place is investing in your own future - you study the program that you want to do, and that leads to the career you choose.

Who will come to Adelaide for AFBE places?

AFBE places will be available to students from Adelaide, regional and country South Australia and interstate. To qualify for an AFBE place you need to be an Australian citizen, Australian resident or New Zealand citizen.

What programs can you choose at the University of Adelaide?

The University of Adelaide teaches undergraduate programs in a wide range of disciplines. The programs in which AFBE places are available are listed in the table on page 8, together with the level of achievement required for entry. As with Commonwealth Supported Places, applications can also be made on the basis of previous higher education studies, completed TAFE qualifications or special entry tests. These applications will be ranked on merit and assessed against entry levels set by the University.

Detailed information about the academic programs offered, their content and structure can be found in the program information leaflets available from our Student Centre or on the web at: www.adelaide.edu.au/programs/ug/

Fees

In an AFBE place you will pay the real cost of your education. This fee will secure you a place at a university with the highest quality staff, teaching facilities, computer systems and libraries. This means that you will be taught by leaders in their disciplines and have the opportunity to continue on to postgraduate programs and cutting edge research after your first degree.

The schedule of fees is given on page 8. Fees differ between programs, reflecting the different costs of teaching and maintaining discipline expertise.

Commonwealth Loan Scheme FEE-HELP

The Commonwealth has introduced a scheme to help students pay their University fees, the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP). HELP is available to both Commonwealth Supported students making their student contributions and to AFBE students paying their tuition fees.

FEE-HELP enables students to borrow money for their tuition fees from the Government, and defer payment in the same way as Commonwealth Supported students. The FEE-Help limit is indexed each year and is \$81,600 for all Programs except medicine and dentistry in 2008 (for students studying medicine and dentistry the limit is \$102,000).

Only Australian citizens and holders of permanent humanitarian visas are eligible for a FEE-HELP loan; New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas do not have access to FEE-HELP.

Debts accrued under FEE-HELP will be indexed to the consumer price index (CPI) but are otherwise interest free. A 20% loan fee applies to FEE-HELP loans for undergraduate courses of study (for example, a loan for tuition fees of \$1000, will attract a loan fee of \$200, so that the debt is \$1200). FEE-HELP is re-paid as part of PAYE income tax when students are earning over a set threshold. AFBE students can choose whether to pay their fees up front or take up a FEE-HELP loan, provided that they meet the eligibility criteria described above.

Detailed information about FEE-HELP and other Higher Education Loan Program loans can be obtained from Centrelink or on the web: www.goingtouni.gov.au/

Application Procedures

All applicants are automatically considered for a Commonwealth Supported Place. To be considered also for an AFBE place at the University of Adelaide, simply answer 'yes' to the question on UniWeb.

Indicating an interest in an AFBE place does not preclude you from being considered for a Commonwealth Supported Place.

If you indicate an interest in an AFBE place you may receive an offer to both a Commonwealth Supported Place and an AFBE place and be able to choose between them.

Semester one commencements

Applying through the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC)

www.satac.edu.au/uniweb/

Applications for admission to undergraduate programs at all tertiary education institutions in South Australia are coordinated through the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC). The *SATAC University Guide*, published in August each year, provides comprehensive information on the tertiary institutions, programs offered and application procedures.

Applicants who are Australian citizens and permanent residents (South Australia and interstate) and New Zealand citizens must apply through SATAC.

Further information on how to apply through SATAC, including how to apply on UniWeb, is available at www.satac.edu.au/uniweb/ or in the *SATAC University Guide*. The Guide will be distributed through schools and may be purchased from newsagencies in South Australia and interstate from early August.

Semester two commencements

Students who wish to apply to commence study in semester two should contact the Student Centre at the University of Adelaide in May for further details of programs available and application procedures.

Late applications

Applicants to the University of Adelaide are able to opt for consideration for an AFBE place at any time through the application cycle.

Applications will also be accepted from prospective students who have not previously applied to SATAC. Please visit the website for dates and more information: www.adelaide.edu.au/afbe/

Notification of offer

Semester 1 The majority of offers for AFBE places will be made in mid-January. Further offers may be made following the February round of offers for Commonwealth Supported Places.

Semester 2 Offers for Semester 2 will be made in mid-July.

How is your SATAC application processed?

Preferences

Students can apply for up to six university programs through SATAC. Applicants must list these programs in order of preference, with their most desired program as reference number 1.

When it is time to offer students places in programs, the universities, through SATAC, will offer a Commonwealth Supported Place to the highest listed preference for which their tertiary entrance rank (TER), or equivalent, qualifies them. Any applicant who has also indicated interest in an AFBE place at the University of Adelaide will then have that application considered.

If you have a University of Adelaide program as a higher preference than the program for which you are offered a Commonwealth Supported Place, and you meet the AFBE TER (or equivalent), you will also receive an offer for that program. This means that you could receive an offer for an AFBE place and a Commonwealth Supported Place. (You may accept only one of these offers.)

Bonus points

The University of Adelaide offers two bonus points for successful completion of Specialist Mathematics, and two bonus points for successful completion of a Language Other Than English. If a candidate successfully completes more than one Language Other Than English, only two points will be given.

The Fairway Scheme offers up to six bonus points to students in high schools designated as under-represented in participation in the three SA Universities. Schools are notified each year of their inclusion in the Fairway Scheme.

Bonus points are added automatically to your university aggregate, and a new TER is calculated for University of Adelaide programs only. Please see www.adelaide.edu.au/student/admission/year12

The University selects you on the basis of your adjusted TER.

Responding to offers

When you receive an offer you will be given instructions on what you need to do to respond to your offer.

Selection into programs

Refer to table overleaf.



Selection into Programs - How the SATAC preference system operates

The examples that follow compare the experiences of four students seeking places at the University of Adelaide. Applications to universities interstate are not affected by the outcome of their South Australian applications.

EXAMPLE 1

Rebecca has applied through SATAC, listing Commerce at Adelaide as her first preference and Economics at Adelaide as her second preference. Her other preferences are for programs at other South Australian universities. Rebecca achieves a TER of 88. Suppose that the Commonwealth Supported TER for Commerce at the University of Adelaide is 90, and for Economics it is 72. The TER for an AFBE place in Commerce is 80.

Outcome: Rebecca will receive a Commonwealth Supported offer to Economics, but will also receive an AFBE offer to Commerce. She can accept either one of these offers.



EXAMPLE 2

Sarah has applied for Commerce at Adelaide and has as her second preference a program at another South Australian university. Sarah's TER is 87. The TER for the Commonwealth Supported Place that she applied for at the other University is 85 and for the Commonwealth Supported Place for Commerce at Adelaide it is 90.

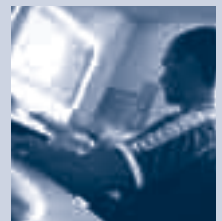
Outcome: Sarah will not be offered a Commonwealth Supported Place in Commerce at Adelaide, but she will receive an offer of an AFBE place. She will also be offered a Commonwealth Supported Place at the other South Australian university.



EXAMPLE 2

Joseph has also applied to Commerce at the University of Adelaide, but he has placed a program at one of the other South Australian universities as his first preference. Joseph's TER is 87, and this qualifies him for a Commonwealth Supported offer at the other South Australian university.

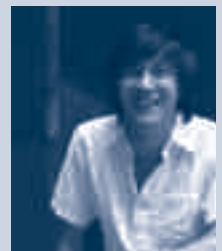
Outcome: Though he has listed Commerce as his second choice, and the AFBE cut-off score for this program is 80, he will not be considered for a place, because Commerce at Adelaide is a lower preference than the program that he has been offered. Joseph will receive a Commonwealth Supported offer to the program he has listed as his first preference.



EXAMPLE 4

David has applied for a place in the Law/International Studies double degree program at the University of Adelaide. His second preference is the International Studies program (also at the University of Adelaide). With a TER of 92, David misses out on a Commonwealth Supported Place in the double degree program but he is offered a Commonwealth Supported Place in the International Studies program.

Outcome: With this TER, David will also be offered an AFBE place in the Law/International Studies program. David may choose to accept the Commonwealth Supported Place in International Studies and also accept an AFBE place in Law (single degree). This way he will be able to study both International Studies and Law as he originally intended. This is an exception; see Question 7 on page 7.



Your Questions Answered

Question 1

How do I ensure that I am considered for an AFBE place at the University of Adelaide?

You must answer 'yes' to the question on UniWeb which asks if you wish to be considered for an AFBE place at the University of Adelaide. (Answering 'yes' does not mean that you must accept an offer to an AFBE place; it means that you have left the option of considering such a place open.)

Question 2

How are the fees set?

The fees are set according to the real cost of teaching the degree, and will vary according to the courses and discipline area of your degree.

Question 3

How will I be notified of an AFBE offer?

SATAC will first make offers to Commonwealth Supported Places. Then, two days later, offers will be made to eligible applicants for AFBE places.

Question 4

Can I transfer from an AFBE place to a Commonwealth Supported Place in later years?

Students will be able to apply to transfer to a Commonwealth Supported Place with the exception of the Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery. Limited numbers of these places become available as students defer or discontinue their studies. The selection for transfer will be assessed on academic merit.

Question 5

How do I pay my fees?

Full details will be provided to you in your enrolment pack; fees are charged each semester according to your enrolment. Remember that you can gain assistance in paying your fees from the FEE-HELP scheme if you meet the eligibility criteria.

Question 6

What happens after I accept my offer?

You will receive information from the University of Adelaide about how to enrol, and how to get course and program advice.

Question 7

I am interested in studying a double degree; how does AFBE work for double degrees?

The general rule is that you may not accept two offers: you must choose between an AFBE place and a Commonwealth Supported Place if you have two offers. Law double degrees are the exception to this rule.

Students who have a Bachelor of Laws double degree program as one of their preferences may receive an offer of an AFBE place in the double degree program and an offer of a Commonwealth Supported Place in the single (non-law) program. Whether you receive offers for both of these will depend on how you organise your preferences, see *Example 4* on page 6. If this happens, you may choose to accept the option of a Commonwealth Supported Place for the single (non-law) program, while at the same time accepting an AFBE place in the single Law program.

The ability to combine a Commonwealth Supported and an AFBE place does not apply to any other combined or double degree program. Students who accept an offer of an AFBE place in other combined or double degree programs will be paying full fees for the whole of their program(s).



AFBE Programs

Year 12 results of interstate and International Baccalaureate applicants are assessed by SATAC and converted to a TER. Alternative entry pathways are available. The fees listed here are for programs available in 2008.

Academic Program	Duration	Annual Fee ¹	AFBE TER	AFBE IB	Academic Program	Duration	Annual Fee ¹	AFBE TER	AFBE IB
Bachelor's Degree:					Health Sciences/Mathematical Sciences		\$18000	85	29
Agriculture	3	\$18000	68	24	International Studies	3	\$15000	70	24
Arts	3	\$15000	70	24	International Studies/Arts	4	\$15000	70	24
Arts (Asian Studies)	3	\$15000	70	24	International Studies/Economics	4	\$15500	75	25
Arts (European Studies)	3	\$15000	70	24	Laws (graduate entry) ²	3.5	\$16000	n/a	n/a
Arts/Economics	4	\$15500	70	24	Laws (UG) (undergraduate entry) ⁷	4	\$16000	85	29
Arts/Music ³	5	\$15500	70	24	Mathematical & Computer Sciences	3	\$18000	70	24
Arts/Science	4	\$16500	70	24	Mathematical Sciences	3	\$18000	73	25
Business Information Technology	3	\$16000	75	25	Media	3	\$15000	70	24
Commerce	3	\$16000	80	27	Media/Arts	4	\$15000	70	24
Commerce (Accounting)	3	\$16000	80	27	Media/International Studies	4	\$15000	70	24
Commerce (Corporate Finance)	3	\$16000	80	27	Medicine and Surgery ⁴	6	\$38000	90	31
Commerce (International Business)	3	\$16000	80	27	Music ³	3	\$16000	n/a	n/a
Commerce (Management)	3	\$16000	80	27	Music Education ³	3	\$16000	n/a	n/a
Commerce (Marketing)	3	\$16000	80	27	Music Studies ³	3	\$16000	n/a	n/a
Computational Graphics	3	\$18000	72	25	Nursing ⁴	3	\$16000	75	25
Computer Science	3	\$18000	72	25	Oenology ⁵	4	\$18000	80	27
Computer Science (Software Engineering)	3	\$18000	72	25	Oral Health ⁴	3	\$34000	70	24
Dental Surgery ⁴	5	\$38000	90	31	Psychology (Honours)	4	\$18000	90	31
Dental Surgery - Later Year Entry ²	-	\$38000	n/a	n/a	Rural Enterprise Management ²	1	\$18000	n/a	n/a
Design Studies	3	\$16000	75	25	Science	3	\$18000	68	24
Development Studies	3	\$15000	70	24	Science (Agricultural Science)	3	\$18000	70	24
Development Studies/Economics	3	\$15500	70	24	Science (Animal Science)	3	\$18000	80	27
Economics	3	\$16000	75	25	Science (Animal Science) (Pre-Vet Stream)	3	\$35000	80	27
Economics (International Agricultural Business)	3	\$16000	75	25	Science (Biomedical Science)	3	\$18000	80	27
Economics/Finance	4	\$16000	75	25	Science (Biotechnology)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Aerospace) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (EcoChemistry)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Architectural)	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Evolutionary Biology)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Automotive) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (High Performance Computational Physics)(Hons.)	4	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Avionics & Electronic Systems)	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Marine Biology)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Chemical) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Molecular and Drug Design)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Civil & Environmental) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Molecular Biology)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Civil & Structural) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Nanoscience & Materials)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Computational)	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Natural Resources)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Computer Systems) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Optics & Photonics)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Electrical & Electronic) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Petroleum Geoscience)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Mechanical) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Space Science & Astrophysics)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Mechatronic) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Science (Viticulture)	3	\$18000	80	27
Engineering (Mining) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Social Sciences	3	\$15000	70	24
Engineering (Petroleum) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Social Sciences/Health Sciences	3	\$16500	85	29
Engineering (Pharmaceutical) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Teaching/Arts	4	\$14250	75	25
Engineering (Software Engineering) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Teaching/Economics	4	\$15000	75	25
Engineering (Sports)	4	\$18000	80	27	Teaching/Maths & Computer Sciences	4	\$16500	75	25
Engineering (Sustainable Energy)	4	\$18000	80	27	Teaching/Science	4	\$16500	75	25
Engineering (Telecommunications) ⁶	4	\$18000	80	27	Wine Marketing (Internal or External)	3	\$15000	68	24
Environmental Studies	3	\$15000	70	24	Diploma:				
Finance	3	\$16000	75	25	Instrumental Music ⁸	2	\$16000	n/a	n/a
Finance/Mathematical & Computer Sciences	4	\$17000	75	25	Languages ⁹	1	\$16270	n/a	n/a
Food Science & Technology	4	\$18000	68	24	Wine Marketing (external)	2	\$15000	55	24
Health Science	3	\$18000	85	29					

¹ These are indicative fees. Actual fees will depend on individual courses of study. ² Not available to school leavers. ³ All music programs require an audition. ⁴ Other selection criteria apply. ⁵ Pathway through B.Sc. (Viticulture). ⁶ A number of double degree combinations are available in Engineering - please contact Student Centre or consult the Engineering Program Information Leaflet. ⁷ Law can be studied as a stand alone degree or combined with the following: Arts, Commerce, Computer Science, Design Studies, Development Studies, Economics, Environmental Science, Finance, Health Sciences, International Studies, Mathematical & Computer Sciences, Media, Science, Social Science, (all 5.5 years) and Engineering (except Aerospace, Mechatronic and Petroleum), which is a 6.5 year combination. Contact Student Finance for fee information. ⁸ Offered part time only. ⁹ Studied concurrently with an approved program in which student is enrolled.

Information Sources

The University of Adelaide website: www.adelaide.edu.au

University publications available from our Student Centre

- Undergraduate Prospectus
- Undergraduate Scholarships booklet
- Program Information leaflets on specific disciplines
- Accommodation booklet
- *Studying Interstate: Find Yourself at the University of Adelaide*
- via the web: www.adelaide.edu.au/publications/future

Other helpful publications

- Commonwealth supported students (HECS-HELP) and FEE-HELP booklets - produced by the Department of Education, Science and Training, available from Centrelink or the Student Centre, or visit: www.goingtouni.gov.au

- *Parents Help With Careers* - available from Centrelink
- *SATAC Guide* - produced by the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC). Website: www.satac.edu.au

Other helpful websites about study

- Centrelink - *Are You Planning to Study or Train?*: www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/individuals/st_index.htm
- *Ozjac - Australian Job and Course Explorer*: www.curriculum.edu.au/ozjac
- Graduate Careers Council: www.gradlink.edu.au
- *My Future - Australia's Career Information Service*: www.myfuture.edu.au

Other helpful websites about Adelaide

- SA Tourism Commission: www.southaustralia.com
- Visitors' Guide to Adelaide: www.adelaide.sa.gov.au/discover/visitor/index.htm

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