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# **Choose Avondale**

Our purpose is to transform lives through Christian higher education. We will model lifelong learning as a calling, not just as a career by engaging you in authentic, faith-based learning and discovery. Our values of excellence, spirituality, wellbeing, integrity and service form our foundation and enable you to have a transformational learning experience. Our commitment to you is that we will nurture and care for the whole person, empowering you to serve your world for good.

At Avondale, we want you to have an exceptional educational experience. This means not only connecting with and studying alongside other students, but also building up experiences relevant

to your future career. In addition to lectures and tutorials from expert staff and industry professionals, you'll have opportunities to develop practical skills and build your CV through clinical and work placements as part of your course. Our team is deeply committed to helping you discover and fulfil your potential.

We're proud to provide high-level individual teaching and support, with easy and regular access to lecturers and small class sizes so you can get the most out of your study.

Students, graduates and employers recognise the quality of our courses in Nursing, Teaching, Business, Ministry and Theology, Arts, Counselling,



Outdoor Leadership and Individual Support. We rank number one in Australia for overall educational experience and teaching quality, and number one in New South Wales for learner engagement, learning resources, skills development and student support, according to The Good Universities Guide 2025.

We're continually renewing our curriculum, reshaping our approach to community engagement and connecting our students with future employers through work placements. Our focus is on quality and impact. Through education and research, we want to make measurable improvements to your life and the lives of those you love.

# Australia's hest-kept university secret

Avondale's history of providing quality higher education that improves lives goes back more than 125 years. We are known for quality educational experience, with *The Good Universities Guide\** and the federal government's QILT surveys\*\* recognising the excellence of our courses and graduates.

Our courses are distinctive because of the quality of teaching and student experience, including opportunities for placements and practical experience embedded within our courses. This combination of practice with knowledge delivers work-ready graduates.

# **Our story**

Established by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1897, we're proud of our pioneering heritage and we've changed with the times to offer highly regarded courses in nursing, teaching, business, ministry and theology, arts, counselling and other areas. We welcome students from all faiths and walks of life and create opportunities that build on their aspirations, values and capabilities.

Today, thousands of Avondale alumni serve their world for good.

You'll find our campuses in Lake Macquarie, halfway between Newcastle and the Central Coast, and at Sydney Adventist Hospital in Wahroonga on the North Shore of Sydney.

<sup>\*</sup>The Good Universities Guide 2025

<sup>\*\*</sup>Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching surveys 2025

# **Caring**

Avondale is the university that cares. We're distinguished not only by the impact our graduates make but also by the high quality of our education experience—setting a benchmark for teaching quality and student growth opportunities.

# **Growing greatness**

We're committed to growing the diversity of student experience and the impact of our research without ever sacrificing quality. We're committed to delivering a quality of student service and experience that is unmatched.

# **Expect better**

We're seeking to serve students better so our graduates are equipped to make a positive difference. We'll help you through the application process, explain your options and help you enrol.

#### We offer:

- A research-backed wellbeing character development program
- Individual access to lecturers and tutors
- Quality teaching and peer support
- Organised work placements and connections with future employers
- On-campus accommodation

We focus on the creation of education opportunities that build on the aspirations, values and capabilities of all students.





Full-Time Employment\*

\*The Good Universities Guide 2025















NURSING
TEACHING
BUSINESS
ARTS
COUNSELLING
MINISTRY AND
THEOLOGY

# Choose your campus or study online

With two amazing campuses to choose from and many of our courses offered online, you will find an option that best suits your needs.



# Find out how to join Avondale in 15 minutes!

We know you're busy, so we want to make choosing a course as simple as possible. That's why we offer a free one-on-one chat with an expert student advisor, who can tell you about each course and how you can enrol.

You're welcome to bring family members or friends to help discuss your options and visit us on campus or book a time online. There's no obligation—we just love the opportunity to tell

more people about Avondale and to give you the chance to decide if this is the place for you to start your dream career.

Our appointments are normally 15 minutes, but we're happy to spend more time with you. We keep things clear and concise so the process of getting into Avondale is smooth, enjoyable and easy to understand.

Book your chat now or talk to us today.

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## **Bachelor of Nursing**

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Sydney or Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 63 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent
	International students: IELTS of at least 7.0 with no sub-band below 7.0
Fee support	Commonwealth Supported Place subsidy that pays part of your fees* FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* *For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.

#### About the course

Avondale's Bachelor of Nursing is ranked as the #1 undergraduate nursing course in Australia for overall educational experience — The Good Universities Guide 2025.

Gain practical and supported learning experiences studying on either our Sydney or Lake Macquarie campuses. Cutting edge clinical learning begins in our purpose-built simulation learning centres, followed by 800 hours of practical, supported learning across a wide range of clinical placement locations.

Both campuses offer a vibrant learning environment. Our Sydney campus provides the opportunity to live and work at the Sydney Adventist Hospital, the largest private hospital in New South Wales. We have a strong focus on equipping nurses with the skills to improve lives by providing high-quality, holistic nursing care that prepares you for excellent career opportunities across Australia and overseas.

#### **Features**

- Personalised support and career preparation from lecturers and professional staff
- State-of-the art simulation centres for training at both Sydney and Lake Macquarie campuses
- Diverse range of clinical placements organised for you across New South Wales, including in hospitals, aged care, mental health facilities and community nursing
- Flexible, paid work opportunities just minutes from where you learn
- · Range of scholarships available, including for First Nations and rural students
- Affordable accommodation onsite at Sydney and Lake Macquarie campuses

#### **UAC** code

Bachelor of Nursing **150209** (Lake Macquarie) **150210** (Sydney) CRICOS code: 057311C





### **UAC** codes

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) 150204

CRICOS code: 090540D

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Secondary) 150205

CRICOS code: 090542B

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood) (Birth – 5 years) currently n/a on UAC

CRICOS code: 083263A

Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Teaching 150211

CRICOS code: 057315K

# Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Secondary) Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood)(Birth - 5 years) Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Teaching

Duration	4 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus or online*  *Teaching subject area dependent (English, History, etc)
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 63 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent
	International students: IELTS of at least 7.5 with no sub-band below 7.0 and at least 8.0 for speaking and listening
	<ul> <li>Write a personal statement covering your:</li> <li>motivation to become a teacher</li> <li>experience in working with children</li> <li>talents, interests and abilities</li> <li>values</li> </ul>
Fee support	Commonwealth Supported Place subsidy that pays part of your fees* FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* *For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.

### **About the courses**

Our undergraduate teaching courses are **number one in Australia** for overall educational experience, student support, learner engagement, and teaching quality (*The Good Universities Guide 2024*). They give you the practical experience, skills, and access to networks you need to teach in schools in Australia and overseas. With three courses to choose from, each gives you the opportunity to specialise in your preferred area of teaching.

#### **Features**

- · Christian perspective on teaching and learning
- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers
- Opportunities to secure paid work in schools as an aide while you study, providing experience, a network of contacts and an income
- Range of work placements organised for you by us from your second year, with the opportunity to complete at least one placement in a rural or remote setting
- · Graduates accredited to work in schools across Australia
- The Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) and Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Secondary) can be completed online\* offering great flexibility









### **Bachelor of Business**

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus or online* *Selected units
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 60 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent
	International students: IELTS of at least 6.5 with no sub-band below 6.0
Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees*  *For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.

#### About the course

Learn how to lead effectively, manage budgets and inspire others to achieve business goals. Our Bachelor of Business offers personalised teaching, opportunities for work placements, access to industry experts and the grounding to join professional bodies, giving you an edge in securing the job you want. The degree provides you with the knowledge and skills sought by employers—including creative thinking, innovation, problem solving, systems design, and people management.

#### **Features**

- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers
- Opportunities for work placements—some as paid internships—throughout your course
- Opportunities to learn from industry experts
- Strong ethics focus, preparing you to model integrity throughout your business career
- Our course is accredited by CPA Australia and Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand
- Graduating from the human resources major qualifies you for membership of the Australian HR Institute

### **UAC** code

Bachelor of Business **150206** CRICOS code: 057303C





# **Bachelor of Ministry and Theology Bachelor of Theology**

Duration	BMinTh: 4 years full-time (or part-time equivalent) BTh: 3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus or online
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 63 (for Bachelor of Ministry and Theology) or 60 (for Bachelor of Theology) or above after adjustment factors or equivalent
	International students: IELTS of at least 6.5 with no sub-band below 6.0
Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* *For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.

#### **About the courses**

Our Bachelor of Ministry and Theology and Bachelor of Theology equip you with the knowledge and skills to build a strong church and community. The Bachelor of Ministry and Theology degree helps you grow spiritually and prepares you for employment in Seventh-day Adventist and other Christian churches and organisations. With practical experience opportunities, strong church connections and one-on-one support, you'll be work-ready when you graduate. The Bachelor of Theology degree helps you grow spiritually and may assist with entry into the Bachelor of Ministry and Theology.

#### **Features**

- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers
- · Australasia's only provider of training for a career as a Seventh-day Adventist minister
- · Work placements in local churches provide opportunities to gain practical experience from year one
- Bachelor of Ministry and Theology offers an optional major in Chaplaincy
- Provides a foundation for further study in a Master of Arts (Theology) degree, opening a wider range of career opportunities
- Delivered on campus or online, which allows you to balance study with work or family commitments

### **UAC** codes

Bachelor of Ministry and Theology **150207** (On campus); **150208** (Online) CRICOS code: 059851C

Bachelor of Theology **150212** 

CRICOS code: 059850D





#### **Bachelor of Arts**

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus or online* *selected units
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 60 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent
	International students: IELTS of at least 6.5 with no sub-band below 6.0
	Additional requirements for students who choose to specialise with a major or minor in Music or Mathematics*  *See arts.ayondale.edu.au for more information.
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Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees*  *For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.

### About the course

Our Bachelor of Arts offers the opportunity to explore a range of areas that help you understand society and your role in it. You will develop the ability to problem solve, research, analyse and think critically—skills employers value. Build your degree from units in Communication, English, History, Music, Psychology, Visual Arts and more. You can shape your degree around an area that interests you. If you want to study in small classes, with the opportunity to discuss content in depth with lecturers and to develop a worldview, you will benefit from this degree.

Majors and minors:

MUSIC
ENGLISH
HISTORY
COMMUNICATION
VISUAL ARTS
CHAPLAINCY
RELIGIOUS STUDIES
GEOGRAPHY
MARKETING

And more...

**Features** 

- Opportunities for work placements throughout your course
- Selected units offered online, providing flexibility in the way you complete your course
- Opportunities to learn alongside industry experts
- · Opportunities for exhibition and publication
- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers
- · Access to network of industry-based alumni who can serve as mentors

### **UAC** code

Bachelor of Arts **150200** CRICOS code: 057294K





### **Bachelor of Arts (Counselling)**

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus or mixed mode
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 60 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent
Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* *For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.

#### About the course

Our Bachelor of Arts (Counselling) gives you the skills to support the mental health and wellbeing of others. In your degree, you will integrate counselling skills with psychotherapeutic theories, develop an in-depth understanding of mental health and emotional disorders, and apply counselling skills to specific client groups. With a one-day-a-week placement in your final year, you will be work-ready after you graduate. You will also have the opportunity to choose from a range of other areas to complete the required units for this degree, including Chaplaincy or Psychology.

#### **Features**

- Experiential learning using case studies and examples from clinical practice
- · Clinical placement with up to 100 hours of face-to-face counselling organised for you by us
- Qualifies you for provisional membership of the Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia
- The option to complete undergraduate requirements in psychology while completing training in clinical counselling
- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers
- · Integrated within a Christian worldview

#### **UAC** code

Bachelor of Arts (Counselling) 150201

CRICOS code: Not available for international students



# **VET Courses**



# **Vocational Education and Training**

Whether you're looking to upskill, re-skill or simply broaden knowledge, Avondale provides industry relevant training and practical skills in a supportive learning environment. Offering a sought-after learning experience, these nationally recognised courses could help you launch, change or accelerate your career.

### Pathway to success

A VET course provides multiple pathways that can lead directly into a career or into further study. At Avondale a Certificate III provides entry into most undergraduate certificate courses, a Certificate IV provides entry into undergraduate courses and a Diploma may provide credit for selected undergraduate course electives.



Individual Support

# **Career** opportunities

- Aged-Care Worker
- Home and Community Care Worker
- Personal Care Worker



# **CHC33021 Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing)**

Duration	6 months
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	Be 16 years or older, and; Complete a language, literacy, and numeracy skills assessment
Fee support	Full fee paying Payment plans available
Intakes	Two per year

#### About the course

The Certificate III in Individual Support gives you the skills to provide personalised support to older people—at home or in care. You will learn how to ethically and safely help a diverse range of clients meet their goals and aspirations by supporting their physical and emotional independence and wellbeing. With placements as part of the course, you will have opportunities to practice your skills in the workplace. With an ageing population, roles for aged and disability careers are projected to increase.

### **Features**

- One-on-one career coaching from trainers and assessors working in the industry
- 120 hours of work placement required
- · Skills in problem solving, person-centred support and teamwork
- No exams

RTO: 91191 CRICOS: Not available for international students



# **Outdoor Leadership**

# SIS40621 Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership

Duration	12 months
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Fee Support	Full fee paying Payment plans available
Entry requirements	Domestic students: 17 years or older, and; Demonstrate a Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) at a Year 12 level or AQF 3 or higher
	International students: 18 years or older on first day of course, and; Demonstrate a Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) at a Year 12 level or AQF 3 or higher, and; Demonstrate English language proficiency

### About the course

A Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership is designed to give you skills to supervise and lead in recreational activities. While providing you training in a range of adventure activities, you will learn how to manage groups, develop activity plans, work in remote areas and make high levels of judgements about logistical, technical, safety and emergency response issues. This course is delivered with a focus on resilience and wellbeing. A Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership can provide entry into University and Diploma of Outdoor Leadership.

RTO: 91191 CRICOS: 112221M

# **Career** opportunities

- · Sport, Recreation and Outdoor Centres
- Wilderness Adventure and Camping Tourism
- Adventure Therapy Programs



# SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership

Duration	12 months
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Fee Support	Full fee paying \$15,010 Vet Student Loans available for eligible students
Entry requirements	Domestic students: 18 years or older, and; Demonstrate a Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) at a Year 12 level or, AQF 4 or higher, and; Have a Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership or be able to demonstrate significant outdoor recreation experience
	International students: 18 years or older on first day of course, and; Demonstrate a Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) at a Year 12 level or AQF 4 or higher, and; Have a Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership or be able to demonstrate significant outdoor recreation experience, and; Demonstrate English language proficiency

### About the course

A Diploma of Outdoor Leadership is designed to take your outdoor recreation skills to the next level. This course focuses on providing you with management and senior leadership skills including facility and equipment management, recreational planning implementation and evaluation in the outdoor recreational sector. A diploma provides entry into an undergraduate course and advanced standing for the outdoor education minor in our secondary teaching degree.

RTO: 91191 CRICOS: 1089451

# **Career** opportunities

- Senior Leadership Roles in Sport, Recreation and Outdoor Centres
- Managing Wilderness Adventure and Camping Tourism
- Adventure Therapy Programs
- Outdoor Education Teacher\*
  - \*Training qualifications required



# Student life

Avondale's focus is on delivering a high-quality educational experience for every course. You'll receive personalised support from lecturers and staff who are committed to ensuring you get the most out of your study.

#### **Accommodation**

Make the most of your Avondale experience by living on campus—Lake Macquarie or Sydney. Our residential halls are central to both campuses, giving our students easy access to classes and campus life.

### Student associations

Our student associations are here to help. With one association on each campus, our student leaders are your representatives for student voice, exciting social events and new initiatives that enrich the student campus life experience.

# **Student support services**

Access tailored academic guidance, counselling and career development resources to nurture your personal and professional growth. From tutoring to mental health support, our dedicated team ensures a supportive environment, empowering you to thrive academically and personally.

### Food on campus

7@Avondale is the main hub for great food on the Lake Macquarie campus. Whether you're wanting a hot drink before class or lunch with friends or visitors, we have you covered.

### Spiritual life

Spirituality is at the centre of everything we do. Whether it's a worship gathering, talking to our campus chaplains or just doing life with friends, there's always some way to connect and feel supported in your faith journey.

### Sport and fitness

Embrace an active lifestyle by becoming involved in our diverse weekly sporting competitions. Enjoy our sport and recreation facilities and the scenic walking tracks around our Lake Macquarie campus.







# Campus life

The Avondale experience—it's so much more than just what happens in the classroom. The community and lifestyle are what makes studying at Avondale so unique. There are plenty of on- and off-campus opportunities to connect with other students, be more active through team sport and serve as part of the greater Avondale community.

## Lake Macquarie campus

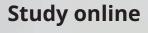
Our main campus is located only 45 minutes from Newcastle and 90 minutes from Sydney in Lake Macquarie, New South Wales.

## Sydney campus

Our Sydney campus is home to the School of Nursing and Health and is located on the grounds of the Sydney Adventist Hospital, the largest private hospital in New South Wales.

### **International students**

Avondale provides an idyllic Australian experience for international students. Located on the east coast, you'll be surrounded by the some of Australia's most popular destinations such as Sydney and Newcastle. Local features include breathtaking beaches, adventurous water sports and picturesque hiking paths.







# **Academic support**

Students have 24 hour access to academic tutoring services on campus and remotely. Our tutors will support you with essay writing, referencing, numeracy, literacy and more.

### **Chaplaincy support**

Chaplains support your spiritual and personal development journeys. From Bible studies to prayer groups, from spiritual emphasis weeks to weekly worship gatherings, our chaplains will enrich your Avondale experience.

# **Counselling services**

Qualified counsellors provide support, free of charge, to students on both campuses. Counselling support is available to online students via video and call technology.

### Student equity support

We foster an inclusive learning culture and make provision for students who need academic and personal assistance (including indigenous, disability, welfare, finance and language support) on both campuses.



# **Travel opportunities**

Many of our students travel interstate or overseas as part of their course—with the opportunity to live and work in diverse often remote communities on work placement, work experience and service learning trips.

Specialist staff organise work placements for students in Education and clinical placements for students in Nursing during their degree, and annual trips for students in Education to build capacity and facilities in communities across Asia and the South Pacific.

# **Scholarships**

Want to reduce the cost of your study? We offer a range of scholarships and grants to students who choose Avondale.

Find out more at avondale.edu.au/ scholarships.



# **How** to apply

1 Choose your course and commencing semester

Visit avondale.edu.au/courses to see what you can study and choose your course and semester

**2** Review the admission criteria

Review the admission criteria at avondale.edu.au/apply.

3 Submit your application
Apply directly online at avondale.edu.au/apply or via the

Universities Admissions Centre. And remember, we're here to help you with your application.

**Provide your documents** 

Once you apply, our team will be in touch with important information. They may ask you to provide certain documents to ensure you satisfy the admission criteria.

Respond to your offer

When your application is successful, you'll receive an offer of study. Congratulations! Respond to the offer to secure your place.



### International students

For information about applying as an international student, scan this QR code.





**Avondale** also offers:

# Postgraduate courses in:

| Education and Teaching

Business

| Ministry and Theology

| Counselling

Nursing

| Lifestyle Medicine

Arts

# **Higher Degree by Research**

Doctor of PhilosophyMaster of Philosophy

# Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses in:

Outdoor Leadership

| Aged Care

# Pathways to University



There's more than one way you can get into your chosen degree. Avondale University offers pathway programs and other entry options to help you develop the skills you need to succeed at university and beyond.

# High School Student

# **Early Entry**

Early Entry is our early offer program that helps Year 12 students secure a place at Avondale University before their final results are released. We look at the results achieved in Year 11 rather than their ATAR.

# Non-School Leaver Tafe/VET Student

### **Entrance Tests**

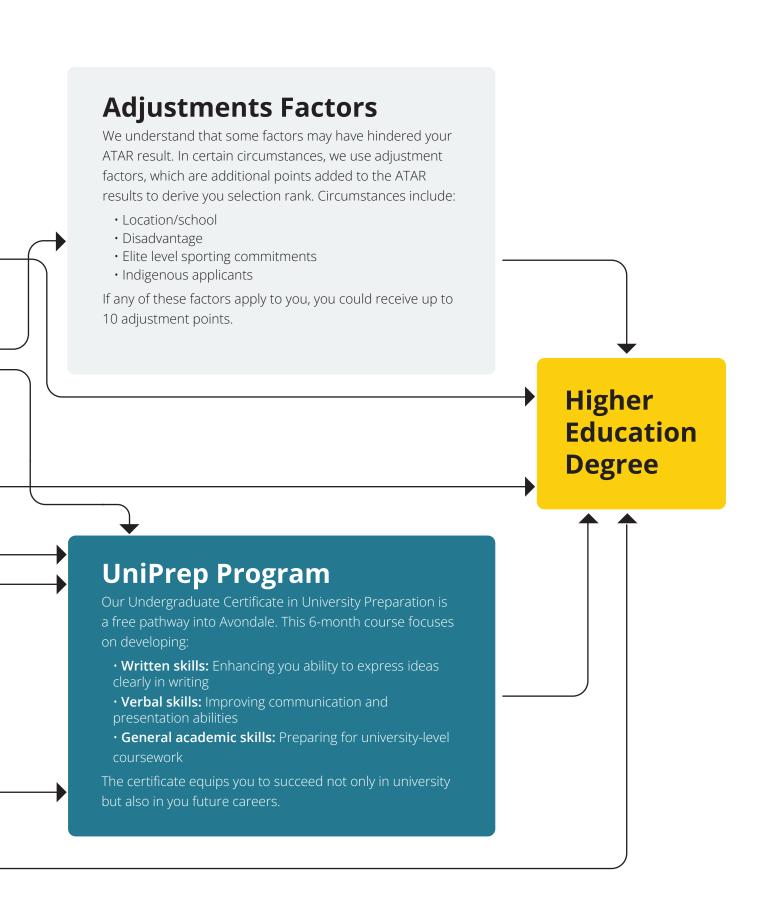
If your ATAR isn't high enough or you didn't receive one, you can sit tests to receive entry into a degree.

# **VET Qualifications**

For direct entry into a bachelor degree, we accept:

- **Certificate IV or diploma** in any field. Advanced standing may apply for units completed as part of a diploma.
- **Certificate III** for any undergraduate certificate\* as well as Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Arts, or Bachelor of Arts (Counselling)

\*Excludes Undergraduate Certificate in Science







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