

Early Offer Program



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Guidelines for schools

Year 12 students graduating this year, may be able to receive an early offer for a course. To participate in JCU's Early Offer Program, students are to work with their school on a recommendation and list JCU as their first preference in QTAC when applications open. To support their success at uni, they may be required to meet entry requirements and subject prerequisites for their chosen course.

Early Offer Program benefits

For students:

- Receiving an early offer will allow Year 12 students to start making plans for next year straight away! They will also have access to JCU's support services earlier ensuring they have a seamless transition to university life.

Eligibility

Any domestic student who is currently undertaking Year 12 or the International Baccalaureate qualification in Australia. International students completing Year 12 in Australia can apply directly to JCU at any time to be considered for a conditional offer. Visit the website for more information www.jcu.edu.au/international-students/apply/undergraduate-student.

JCU Courses available in the Early Offer Program

Most of JCU's courses are included which covers Study Areas like Arts, Business, Law, Engineering, Science, Information Technology, Pharmacy and Exercise Science.

Visit the website for the most up to date course list www.jcu.edu.au/year-12/early-offer.

There are some exclusions such as the following courses:

- Bachelor of Dental Surgery
- Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery
- Bachelor of Midwifery
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy
- Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Honours)

Recommended assessment process for schools

Schools are encouraged to adopt a process that fits with their academic and career programs. JCU is not prescriptive in how this assessment process is managed within schools.

The recommendation should be based on the student's academic performance, motivation, talents, passion and capabilities to demonstrate their likelihood of success at university.

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Nomination process

- Students complete an application to QTAC listing the JCU course they wish to receive an Early Offer for as their first preference once applications open on 4 August 2026.
- Students submit their completed nomination form to their school for consideration.
- Schools are to forward recommended nomination forms to admissions@jcu.edu.au no later than the 9 October 2026, when nominations close.

Offer process:

Students will receive a reply within 5 business days of receipt of their recommendation. The JCU Early Offer course must be listed as their first preference for them to receive an official offer through QTAC.

Offers will be made most Fridays from the beginning of September, once applications have been submitted to JCU and are finalised. A final offer round will be processed in mid-October. To reduce distractions for students, offers will not be made during the Year 12 external examination period.

Offers made before mid-October will be conditional on the student meeting entry requirements and subject prerequisites. Other conditions may also apply which will be outlined in the offer.

Students who do not meet the entry requirements will be offered a packaged offer, which may include completing a subject/s in the JCU's pathway program, JCU Prep. You can find more information at the JCU Prep website www.jcu.edu.au/pathways-to-university/jcu-prep

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