

# Early Offer Program



**Information  
for schools**

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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](http://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 off on Study Areas like Arts, Business, Law, Engineering, Science, Information Technology, Pharmacy, Sport and Exercise Science.

Visit the website for the most up to date course list [www.jcu.edu.au/year-12/early-offer](http://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 Nursing Science - Bachelor of Midwifery
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy
- Bachelor of Veterinary Science

## 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.

## Nomination process

- Students are to submit their completed nomination form to their school for consideration.
- Students are to also complete an application to QTAC listing JCU as their first preference once applications open on 1 August 2023 to complete the process.
- Schools are to forward recommended nomination forms to [admissions@jcu.edu.au](mailto:admissions@jcu.edu.au) no later than 13 October 2023.
- Schools are required to select from one of the following recommendations.
- To support schools in their decision-making we have developed a Recommendations Options and Checklist:

Option	Recommendation Options	Recommendation Checklist
Option 1	Recommended for an Early Offer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selected JCU course is available for an Early Offer</li> <li>Academic results (to date) are indicative of success in the chosen JCU course</li> <li>Through a combination of results and other extenuating circumstances, the student is well placed to succeed in their selected JCU Course</li> </ul>
Option 2	Recommended for an Early Packaged Offer with the *Diploma of Higher Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student does not meet the academic or prerequisite requirements for their preference but does demonstrate the motivation and potential to succeed at university.</li> </ul>
Option 3	Not recommended for an Early Offer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school considers it not in the best interests of the student to be recommended for an early offer in the requested course.</li> <li>These applications should not be returned to JCU. The school should discuss their decision with the student and offer alternative career pathways.</li> <li>These students are still encouraged to continue their application via QTAC and will be considered on the basis of their ATAR for the courses they apply for and packaged offers.</li> </ul>

\* Packaged Offer with the Diploma of Higher Education.

A packaged offer is a combination of two or more offers, for example, a pathway course such as the Diploma of Higher Education followed by a Bachelor course. Depending on the course, transition to the Bachelor course is conditional on successful completion of all, or part, of the pathway course. Packaged offers allow students to access additional support, while studying pre-requisites and meeting other entry requirements for their preferred degree. Students who successfully complete the pathway course and meet the conditions of their bachelor offer are guaranteed a place in the bachelor course.

For more information visit [www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study/qtac-packaged-offers](http://www.jcu.edu.au/courses-and-study/qtac-packaged-offers).

## Offer process:

Students will receive a reply within 48 hours of receipt of their recommendation. Students still need to lodge a QTAC application after applications open on 1 August. The JCU Early Offer course must be listed as their first preference for them to receive an official offer through QTAC. QTAC Offers will commence to students from 11 August.

Offers will be made most Fridays from 11 August and, once applications have been submitted to JCU and are finalised. A final offer round will be processed on 20 October. To reduce distractions for students, offers will not be made during the Year 12 external examination period.

Offers made before 20 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.

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