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The following pages feature undergraduate degree programs and information for domestic students, including SATAC codes, selection ranks and more. For international CRICOS codes, visit flinders.edu.au/international



Acknowledgement of Country

Flinders University acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the lands and waters on which its campuses are located. These are the Traditional Lands of the Arrernte, Dagoman, First Nations of the South East, First Peoples of the River Murray & Mallee region, Jawoyn, Kurna, Larrakia, Ngadjuri, Ngarrindjeri, Ramindjeri, Warumungu, Wardaman and Yolngu people. We honour their Elders past, present and emerging.

At Flinders, it's all about your global career

Choose your degree

Flinders University offers a range of flexible degrees across International Relations & Political Science. Choose a degree that reflects your passions and graduate with the skills and knowledge to take your place in an ever-changing world. Study on campus or choose from a range of topics offered online.

Be taught by leaders

Flinders' international relations and political science degrees are taught by teachers who are leaders in their fields. Our close industry links with leading partners, practical Work Integrated Learning (WIL) placement opportunities and a strong focus on future policy trends will help you graduate job-ready. Our international relations and political science experts will teach you how policies are developed and implemented, preparing you for careers in government, non-government and not-for-profit organisations in Australia and abroad.

Gain real-world experience

Flinders' Work Integrated Learning (WIL) enables you to gain work experience while you study. You'll have the opportunity to gain real-world experience through placements, practicums, field studies and simulated workplace settings and assessment activities. Flinders aims to provide each and every student with access to a WIL opportunity during their studies.

Broaden your horizons and add an elective to your degree to explore space law and policy. You'll learn how to innovatively tackle problems in space, and gain skills that you can take with you to any industry. And, if you're looking for a global experience, it's the first step before taking part in our Vienna Space Internship Program.



From 2024, International Relations & Political Science courses will be available at both Bedford Park and our new city campus

New Flinders city campus

Located in the growing heart of the CBD, the North Terrace & Riverbank Precinct, Flinders' new city campus is metres away from the central Adelaide Railway Station, making study at Flinders open to all.



International Relations & Political Science



Develop global skills

Flinders' international relations and political science degrees will teach you the skills to play a part in world events and drive political, social and economic change through exciting careers in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors.

Study with international experts

Study with SA's largest group of international relations and political science experts, and gain practical experience through industry placements and opportunities to travel to Indonesia, China, Japan, USA and elsewhere, including unique internship opportunities with the US Congress (Washington) and Consulate (Melbourne).

A career in diplomacy, international aid or global consulting

An incredible breadth of career opportunities awaits you in a range of international organisations, in the public or not-for-profit sectors, or as a diplomat. You could work locally for a government department or an SA-based business, pursue a corporate career helping set international policy or help change the world with organisations like Amnesty International or Projects Abroad.

No. 1 in SA in Political Sciences*

* 2022 Academic Ranking of World Universities, public SA-founded universities only

Top 300 in the world for Public Administration**

** 2022 Academic Ranking of World Universities

Take your studies global



Flinders University's links with world-class universities and organisations enable you to undertake an exchange program or internship that will enhance your international relations and political science experience.

There are opportunities all over the world, and over 120 of our students have studied or worked in the US since 2000, some for a semester or more.

For those interested in an experience closer to home, you can also participate in internationally relevant internships onshore, with a variety of organisations in Adelaide and across Australia.

Key affiliated international institutions in North America, Europe and Asia include:

- Georgetown University – Washington, USA
- York University – Toronto, Canada
- Uppsala University – Uppsala, Sweden
- UNESCO-IHE, Institute for Water Research – The Netherlands
- Hiroshima University – Hiroshima, Japan
- Nankai University – Tianjin, China
- Parahyangan Catholic University – Bandung, Indonesia
- International Network of Universities
- Department of Defence – Adelaide and Canberra
- Defence Science and Technology Group – Adelaide and Canberra
- Cabinet Office, Department of the Premier and Cabinet – South Australia
- Department of Human Services
- Amnesty International
- Australian Consortium for In-Country Indonesian Studies (ACICIS)
- Universitas Gadjah Mada – Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS & POLITICAL SCIENCE

Bachelor of International Relations and Political Science

Bachelor of International Relations and Political Science (Honours)

In this degree you'll develop an understanding of how to drive policy development at home and abroad. You'll graduate with a comprehensive understanding of key political, social, economic and strategic relations within the domestic and global communities.

SATAC code (Bedford Park)	244191
SATAC code (Honours) (Bedford Park)	244271
SATAC code (Festival Plaza)	284491
Prerequisites	None
Assumed knowledge	None
2023 selection rank	60.00
2023 selection rank (Honours)	70.00
Guaranteed entry selection rank	70.00
Guaranteed entry selection rank (Honours)	80.00
TAFElink	Cert IV or above
TAFElink (Honours)	Dip or above
Adjustment factors	Yes

3 years full-time

Honours
4 years full-time

Part-time available

Deferrable

- Learn the policy and political skills that will be needed by the policy-makers and leaders of tomorrow – in Australia and around the world.
- Study policy areas such as social policy, Indigenous affairs, multiculturalism, education, trade, economic development, foreign affairs and human rights.
- Gain real-world understanding of how Parliament and public agencies work through placement opportunities.
- Meet professionals working on current international ventures and build your international professional profile.
- Engage with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and defence officials in simulated activities.
- Experience South Australian politics first-hand through the South Australian Parliamentary Internship and the South Australian Government Cabinet Office Internship, or take your studies overseas with the Washington Internship Program.

Career opportunities

Your degree could open up a range of employment opportunities, including:

- policy analyst
- diplomat or public service officer
- journalist or digital media content maker/manager
- international aid or development worker
- electorate officer
- research officer, analyst or assistant
- intelligence, security or political analyst.

Potential employers include:

- federal, state and local government
- international aid sector
- not-for-profit sector
- private sector
- consulting firms.

Combined degrees

Explore your interests and unlock more career opportunities by combining degrees.

By combining your degree with a qualification in another discipline, you'll connect diverse knowledge in unique ways and develop specialised abilities to help you stand out from the pack. Studying a combined degree at Flinders is the key to enhancing your career opportunities. Example degree combinations:

Bachelor of Languages/Bachelor of International Relations and Political Science

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 214921

Leverage your love of languages into a career engaging with political, social and cultural issues in Australia and around the world.

Bachelor of International Relations and Political Science/Bachelor of Arts

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 244191

Combine your interest in political, social and cultural issues with the complex critical thinking skills required to solve some of the world's greatest challenges.

Other combinations

Bachelor of Accounting

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 244001

SATAC code (Festival Plaza) 284041

Bachelor of Business

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 214761

SATAC code (Festival Plaza) 284071

Bachelor of Business (Human Resource Management)

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 224401

SATAC code (Festival Plaza) 284081

Bachelor of Business (International Business)

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 224411

SATAC code (Festival Plaza) 284091

Bachelor of Business (Management)

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 224361

SATAC code (Festival Plaza) 284101

Bachelor of Business (Marketing)

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 224371

SATAC code (Festival Plaza) 284111

Bachelor of Business Economics

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 244061

SATAC code (Festival Plaza) 284131

Bachelor of Criminology

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 234661

Bachelor of Laws and Legal Practice

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 244111

Bachelor of Laws and Legal Practice (Honours)

SATAC code (Bedford Park) 244121

For a full list of combined degree options visit flinders.edu.au/combineddegrees

Washington Internship Program

The Washington Internship Program provides you with an opportunity, unparalleled in Australia, to experience political life in Washington DC.

Flinders has been sending students on this unique seven-week placement in the US Congress since the program's inception in 2000. To date, we've sent over 127 students to Capitol Hill.

The program can give you a unique insight into US politics and an appreciation of the workings of the American political system.

As a participant in the program, you will work full-time in the office of a member of the United States Senate or the US House of Representatives. The goal of the internship is to provide an experience of political life in an influential congressional office and the many tasks, priorities and pressures of that office.

To find out more visit: flinders.edu.au/washington-internship-program



"I've had several 'pinch myself' moments... You never know what historic world events might unfold during the Washington Internship Program, and being able to witness those events from within the global centre of power that is the US Congress is an experience unlike anything else."

Mariah Spronk

Intern, 2022 Washington Internship Program

"If I had the chance to do this again, I would... you will make new friends, experience different cultures, see Washington up close, and develop all the skills necessary to help you gain employment post-study."

Kyle Whenan

Intern, 2022 Washington Internship Program



South Australian Parliamentary Internship

2022 was the 27th anniversary of the prestigious South Australian Parliamentary Internship Program.

The program gives you the opportunity to experience how Parliament operates from the inside, enhancing both your degree and future career opportunities.

Interns will work attached to the office of a Member of Parliament while completing a public policy research project nominated by the member, under the formal supervision of a member of the Flinders academic staff.

Starting at Flinders

One of the world's top universities, Flinders offers students a supportive, inclusive education in an unrivalled study environment.



Flinders is ranked in the top 2% of universities in the world*

* THE World University Rankings 2023 as a percentage of the total number of universities in the world according to the International Association of Universities

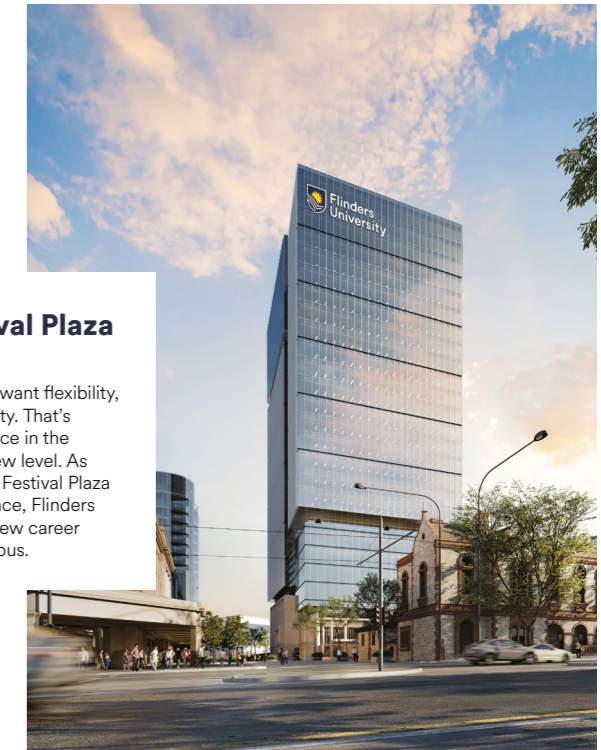
This is Flinders

Flinders' Adelaide campuses include the Bedford Park campus, featuring an award-winning hub and plaza, with retail, food outlets and a state-of-the-art sport and fitness centre.

Flinders at Tonsley houses state-of-the-art facilities and close links to industry. In 2024, our Victoria Square CBD campus will move to the stunning new Flinders at Festival Tower on North Terrace, right beside the Adelaide Railway Station.

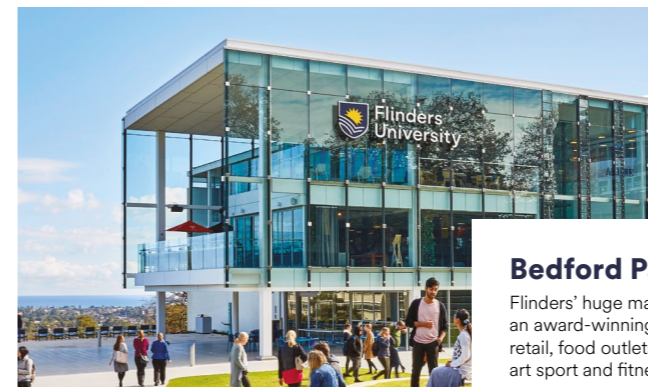
Take a virtual tour of Flinders University and explore our amazing locations. It's the next best thing to being here!

[Flinders.edu.au/vr](https://flinders.edu.au/vr)



Flinders at Festival Plaza – opening 2024

Flinders University students want flexibility, convenience and connectivity. That's why we're taking our presence in the Adelaide CBD to a whole new level. As an anchor tenant in the new Festival Plaza development on North Terrace, Flinders will offer new courses and new career pathways in a new city campus.

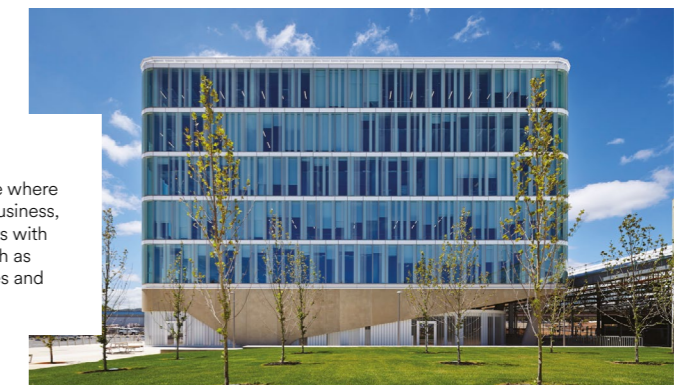


Bedford Park

Flinders' huge main campus features an award-winning hub and plaza, with retail, food outlets and a state-of-the-art sport and fitness centre.

Tonsley

Flinders at Tonsley is a place where our students interact with business, and where business interacts with our researchers in areas such as engineering, medical devices and nanoscale technologies.



Getting to Flinders

Transport options

The Flinders Railway Line gets you from the CBD to Tonsley in a super-fast 20 minutes, or to Bedford Park in just 22 minutes. And with free Campus Connector and Tonsley Link bus services running 7am – 6pm Monday to Friday, getting to and from your studies is simple. You'll be able to schedule your day without worrying about missing a single lecture!

flinders.edu.au/loop-bus

Plan your trip to Flinders:

adelaidemetro.com.au/routes/flndrs

The Flinders railway line is now open

The new Flinders train line has made travel easier and more convenient than ever, linking Bedford Park to our Tonsley campus and the Adelaide city centre, now just 22 minutes away.

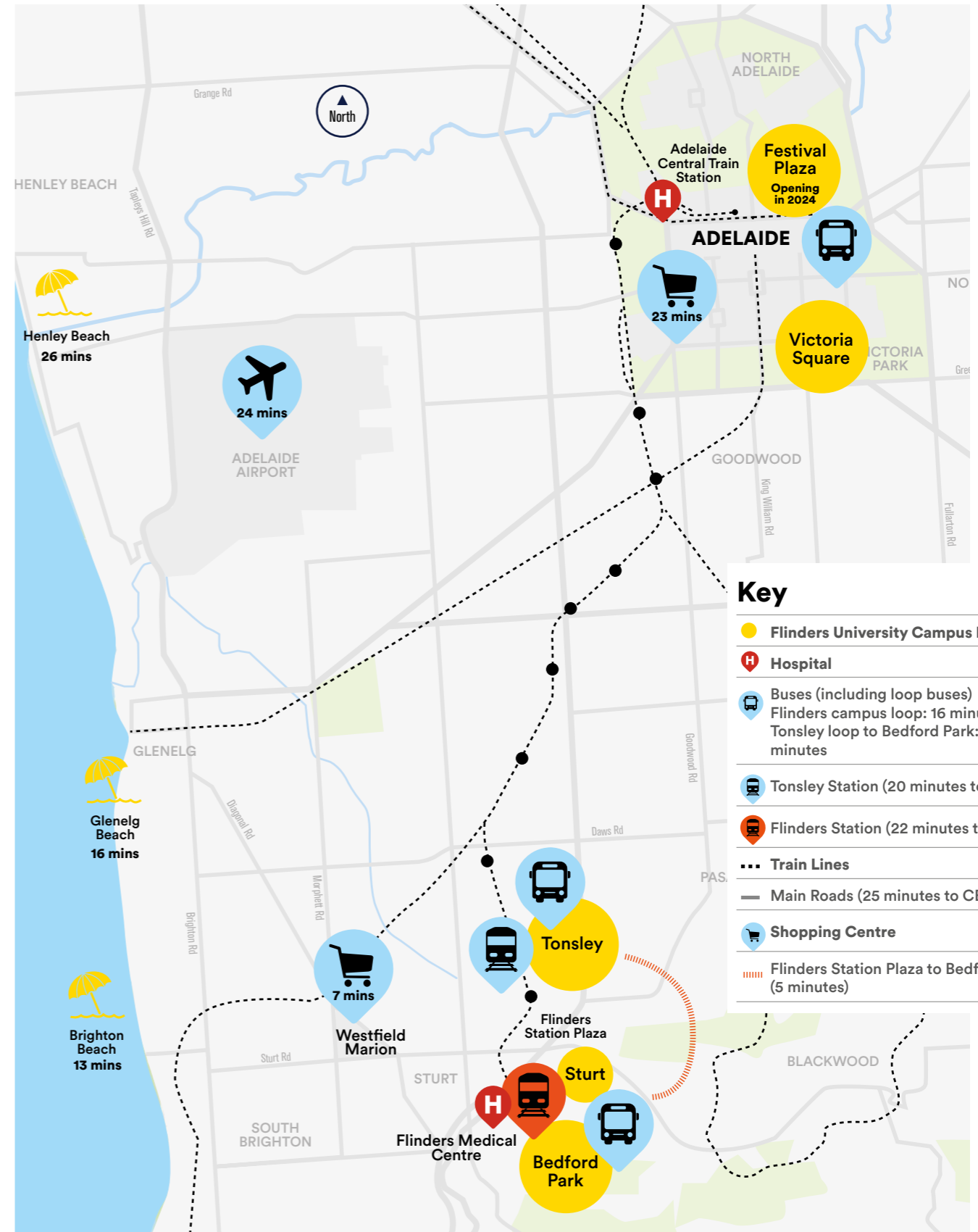
A new link from the north

Opened in June 2022, the electrified Gawler Rail Line provides services from the northern suburbs to the CBD, with express services expected to take around 48 minutes from Gawler to the CBD.

Plan your trip to Flinders CBD:

adelaidemetro.com.au/routes/gawc

Gawler to Festival Plaza in 48 minutes



Get more out of your study

Combined degrees

Combining your degree with a qualification in another discipline will give you more expertise and expand your career prospects. Studying a combined degree at Flinders will help you stand out from the crowd. A combined degree is a combination of two Flinders bachelor degrees. As a combined degree graduate you will have two qualifications in just one to one-and-a-half years of extra study.

There are dozens of combinations available, so why not explore your interests and find out where a combined degree could take you?

Our combined degree programs are designed to enhance your educational, academic and professional qualifications while minimising the cost and length of your studies. Flinders' combined degrees allow you to undertake in-depth study in exciting combinations that aren't usually available in single degrees.

finders.edu.au/combineddegrees

Combine your Bachelor of

Criminology with

Law and Society, International Relations and Political Science

Laws and Legal Practice with

Arts, Business, Criminology, Psychology, International Relations and Political Science

Medical Science with

Engineering (Biomedical) (Honours)

Psychological Science with

Criminology

Business (Human Resource Management)

Business (Marketing)

Sport, Health and Physical Activity

Languages

Science (Forensic and Analytical Science) with

Archaeology

Criminology

Begin your journey to a successful career

Flinders diplomas

Flinders' diploma-level qualifications give you the chance to experience university life without having to commit to long-term study.

The one-year Diploma in Business, Diploma in Sports Management, Diploma in Laws, or Diploma in Arts give you the chance to explore a range of interests, and successful completion allows you to apply for up to one year of credit towards a range of bachelor degrees, and guaranteed entry to the following courses:

- Bachelor of Archaeology
- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Business (Human Resource Management, International Business, Management, Marketing, Sports Management)
- Bachelor of Business Economics
- Bachelor of Creative Industries (Digital Media, Film and Television, Interactive Design, Theatre and Performance, Writing and Publishing, Festivals and Arts Production)
- Bachelor of Disability and Community Inclusion
- Bachelor of Disability and Developmental Education
- Bachelor of Engineering Science
- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of International Relations and Political Science
- Bachelor of Laws
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours)
- Bachelor of Laws and Legal Practice
- Bachelor of Laws and Legal Practice (Honours)
- Bachelor of Science

Standard University admission requirements apply.

The Diploma in Sports Management will teach you the core skills needed to begin a career in sports management, backed by over 100 hours of practical and hands-on training with Port Adelaide players, management and staff.

The Diploma in Language offers a solid foundation for learning and using a language of your choice, and will help you develop cross-cultural knowledge and skills that are invaluable in international workplaces.

finders.edu.au/diplomas

Pathways to study

Whether you are a school leaver or returning to study at a later date, there are many ways to gain admission to Flinders University. Explore your options and find the entry path that's right for you.

If you have secondary education

Year 12 entry

Most Year 12 applicants enter university via the traditional entry method, where offers are made to eligible applicants with the highest selection rank until all places in the degree are filled. Your selection rank is used by Flinders to assess your admission to a course and is based on your ATAR plus any adjustment factors for which you are eligible.

finders.edu.au/year12

Guaranteed entry

If you achieve an ATAR equal to or above the published guaranteed entry selection rank (and you meet course prerequisites) you will be guaranteed a place at Flinders. We offer guaranteed entry for most courses.

Indigenous Admission Scheme

The Indigenous Admission Scheme provides an alternative pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, who may not have been able to gain entry to university by traditional means, with the opportunity to study at Flinders.

See page 16 for further details.

Elite Athlete Pathway

If you've officially represented your school or state at a national level competition, we'll consider your school's recommendation about your academic potential when you apply.

finders.edu.au/study/sport/elite-athletes

Research Project B Pathway

If you have strong results in the Research Project B subject you will be considered for entry into Flinders on the basis of your Year 12 results and Research Project B performance.

finders.edu.au/study/pathways/year-12-entry/research-project

School Recommendation Program

We may consider your school's recommendation about your academic performance as part of your admission into Flinders.

uniTEST

If you're in Year 12, uniTEST is available to enhance your chances of getting into Flinders. We will select students based on their Year 12 results (60% weighting toward the ATAR selection rank) and uniTEST results (40%). Flinders will also consider applicants based on their uniTEST results (100%) as a standalone entry score (subject to SACE completion and any course prerequisites or specific admissions requirements). If you take the test and don't do well, we will only consider your highest selection rank.

finders.edu.au/unitest

If you haven't achieved the results you expected

If you haven't achieved the results you expected in Year 12, there are a number of pathways to your preferred degree. You can start studying one course and move to another via internal transfer or Flinderslink.

finders.edu.au/study/pathways/flinderslink

Pathways to study

If you have work and life experience

Foundation Studies

The Foundation Studies program has been designed to introduce you to university study in a supportive learning environment. Open to people from all backgrounds, Foundation Studies provides a pathway to gain entry to most degrees at Flinders and offers guaranteed entry into some degrees.

flinders.edu.au/study/pathways/foundation-studies

Military pathways

Use your military service in the Australian Defence Force as a pathway to a Flinders University degree.

flinders.edu.au/study/pathways/military-veterans

Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT)

Adult entry to university via the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) enables people aged 18 years and over to apply to study at Flinders. Applications are made via SATAC.

satac.edu.au/stat

Alternatively, you may wish to consider an undergraduate certificate or diploma. These shorter courses allow you the opportunity to explore your interests and to progress to further study. Certificate courses are Commonwealth supported.

flinders.edu.au/pathways

If you have some higher education

Tertiary Transfer

If you have completed at least one semester of full-time equivalent study at university, you may be able to transfer to study at Flinders University using your grade point average (GPA).

TAFElink

Flinders offers guaranteed entry to selected degrees for applicants who have completed a TAFE/VET Certificate IV or higher-level qualification, as long as degree prerequisites are met.

flinders.edu.au/tafelink

TAFE SA Dual Offers

Flinders University together with TAFE SA offer dual offer pathways in various disciplines.

Work Integrated Learning

When it comes to landing a job, practical placements can give you the edge you need to succeed.

Flinders' Work Integrated Learning (WIL) will improve your employability by helping you better understand the day-to-day skills employers are looking for, and by giving you the chance to gain real experience in a workplace environment directly related to the course you're studying.

You might take on a work placement or internship, gain hands-on experience through field education, or get involved in projects with industry or community organisations.

Your WIL experience will be designed to help you gain that edge.

[Flinders.edu.au/WIL](https://flinders.edu.au/WIL)

Student support

Whatever you decide to study at Flinders, we're always here to help you succeed.

Careers & Employability Service

The Careers and Employability Service helps give you the edge in your career. CareerHub, our online employment portal, offers personalised job opportunities, career planning, programs to help you broaden your skills and experience, access to employer events and career-related resources. Whatever you are studying, CareerHub can help you find your direction and start your career.

flinders.edu.au/careers

Flinders Connect

Flinders Connect can help with everything from enrolment and fees to exams and graduation. You can also access Flinders Connect for specialist services in admissions, careers and IT help. A range of support services is also available.

flinders.edu.au/flindersconnect

Flinders Library

Our extensive library is more than a book repository. We provide a range of services such as computing and printing, document delivery and one-on-one librarian appointments for assistance with search strategies and finding resources for your assignments.

library.flinders.edu.au

Flinders Living

Flinders is the only university in Adelaide that gives you the opportunity to live on campus, and both University Hall and Deirdre Jordan Village are located within the Bedford Park campus. The wide range of social, sporting and community activities also enhances the student experience at Flinders Living.

flinders.edu.au/living

Flinders University Student Association

The Flinders University Student Association (FUSA) continues a long tradition of active student involvement and represents the rights and interests of students. FUSA manages social events, non-sporting clubs and societies, and the student publication Empire Times, and helps with academic, administrative and welfare issues.

fusa.edu.au

Health, Counselling & Disability Services

Managing your health is important. We have facilities and services available to help you look after your physical and mental health.

flinders.edu.au/hcd

Horizon Award

The Flinders Horizon Award program sits alongside your academic studies; it is an innovative program that provides further opportunities to develop your professional skills and gain new experiences and insights that will benefit you now and in your future career.

flinders.edu.au/horizon

Transition to university

Starting at university is a big step; let's make it easier. The Student Learning Centre provides a range of services from writing and mathematics support to assistance with study and time-management skills.

students.flinders.edu.au/study-support/slc

Yungkurinthe Student Engagement

Yungkurinthe Student Engagement is committed to increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student access, participation, retention and success at Flinders University. Providing a range of services and supports for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, our team of highly qualified staff is dedicated to supporting you throughout your student journey.

flinders.edu.au/study/indigenous-students

Indigenous Admission Scheme

The Indigenous Admission Scheme provides an alternative pathway for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, who may not have been able to gain entry to university by traditional means, with the opportunity to study at Flinders.

Are you eligible?

To be eligible for the Indigenous Admission Scheme you must be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person in accordance with the Commonwealth definition, which requires you to:

- be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, and
- identify as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, and
- be accepted as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander in the community in which you live or have lived.

You may be currently studying Year 12 or be a non-school leaver.

How to apply

1. Apply for the course you want to study through the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC). You will get an application number from SATAC that you will need for your Indigenous Admission Scheme application form.
2. Complete the Indigenous Admission Scheme application form online (finders.edu.au/indigenousadmissions). If you are having trouble completing an online application, you can request a paper-based application via ias@finders.edu.au or call us on 08 8201 3033.
3. An interview is part of the application process, but you will be notified about this.

Application and interview dates

First round applications close late November and second round applications close early January for semester 1. For our midyear intake to a number of courses, applications close in June.

finders.edu.au/indigenousadmissions



“I originally chose Flinders as they have one of the best facilities for future teachers and fantastic student engagement. Studying at Flinders has been a wonderful experience that has given me the opportunity to discover what I truly want into the future while also providing me with support in every way imaginable. Flinders and Yungkurinthe have given me the opportunity to meet others with similar ambitions and goals as myself and find the benefit of an education in places I would never have thought to look. As a proud Indigenous woman, I want to use my degree to work in First Nation communities to help our young people make it through their high schooling experience and onto their own future aspirations.”

Emilee Pyrke

Bachelor of Arts,
Conditional entry to Master of Teaching (Secondary)

Study abroad/scholarships

Over 450 scholarships worth \$2.4 million in total – ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000.

Take your studies overseas

Why wait until you graduate to explore the world? Flinders' Learn Without Borders could see you studying overseas, gaining a unique perspective and immersing yourself in a different culture, language and lifestyle. Our global study programs are designed to allow students to take their Flinders study overseas and earn academic credit toward their Flinders program. With 70+ overseas partner universities, why wait until you graduate to see the world?

finders.edu.au/learn-without-borders

Explore Flinders scholarships

Flinders offers a generous range of scholarships for students in undergraduate courses. With over 450 available scholarships, including scholarships to students from low socio-economic backgrounds, students from rural and regional areas, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, you may be eligible for support that will help you achieve your goals at university.

finders.edu.au/scholarships

“I always knew I wanted to study overseas at some stage during my degree. A semester exchange gave me the chance to complete topics that weren't available in my home university and experience life in a city that is very different to my own. Having completed a semester overseas, I now have an edge over the countless other students that are completing the same degree as me and have formed memories that will always stay with me.”

Annelise Smith

Bachelor of Business
(Advanced Leadership)

“The Wyndham Richardson Scholarship Fund has been invaluable to reduce the financial pressure during studies, especially now that I am in the later years of my degree.”

Ryan Rowston

Bachelor of Computer Science

Wyndham Richardson Scholarship Fund recipient

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Contact us

Our friendly staff are available to answer your questions:

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International students should contact:

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