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Year 12 applications for tertiary study in 2027

As Year 12 students across the country sit their final exams, more than 160,000 applications have already been lodged for tertiary study in 2027.

The Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admissions Centres (ACTAC), representing tertiary admissions centres across Australia, has released data showing the number of applications from Year 12 students* in each state/territory.

Applications for Semester 1, 2027 remain open, but students are encouraged to apply as early as possible, as some courses have special entry requirements or earlier closing dates.

Year 12 applications* as at 30 September 2026

NSW/ACT	**Qld**	**SA/NT**
52,119	30,026	12,525
Tas	**Vic**	**WA**
5,085	51,128	10,459

***** Note that Year 12 applications include undergraduate applications from domestic students completing an Australian Year 12 qualification or the International Baccalaureate. The data is for applications through the TAC only and does not include applications made direct to individual institutions.

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About ACTAC

The Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admission Centres (ACTAC) was established in the 1970s as the group that facilitates communication and co-operation between tertiary admissions centres in Australia and New Zealand. Tertiary Admissions Centres are:

- Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) servicing Queensland
- South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC) servicing South Australia and the Northern Territory
- Tertiary Institutions Service Centre (TISC) servicing Western Australia
- Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) servicing NSW and the ACT
- The University of Tasmania (UTAS)
- Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) servicing Victoria

The New Zealand counterpart is the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA)