About the University Connections Program

A partnership between the University of Tasmania, Tasmanian Schools and the Office of Tasmanian Assessment Standards and Certification (TASC), the University Connections Program (UCP) allows year 11 and 12 students to undertake introductory university units specifically designed for senior secondary students.

By successfully completing these units, you receive TCE points, most results are eligible for inclusion in the ATAR and you can apply for recognition of prior learning (credit) towards a range of degrees at the University of Tasmania.

By studying a UCP unit alongside your other TCE subjects, you can expand your knowledge and get a jump start on University!

UCP units vary in how they are delivered. Most are delivered in schools while our extension units are delivered through a combination of online and independent study supported by on-campus workshops. This means you get the opportunity to come to university and attend classes with our lecturers.

Why should you start university early?

There are many benefits to taking part in the UCP, including:

- Study without fees – all UCP units are covered by a scholarship. If you’re an Australian citizen, permanent resident, or New Zealand citizen, you’re considered a domestic student and will receive a full HECS scholarship. Limited scholarships are also available for international students. Please contact our colleges for more information.
- An easier and less stressful introduction to university study.
- An experience that can boost your future education and career.
- The chance to complete your degree sooner.
- The opportunity to complete university units while in year 11 and 12. These units can contribute to associate degrees, degree programs, or diplomas that all add value to your professional qualifications.
Full university units

Full university units help you gain TCE points and can be included in the calculation of your ATAR. On successful completion of a full university unit, your result will be considered for inclusion among your best five results in the calculation of your ATAR.

Some units are offered by the University of Tasmania and are taught in place of – or to fill a gap within – the TASC curriculum. These have no direct correlation with a Tasmanian Assessment, Standards & Certification (TASC) level 3 or level 4 “pre-tertiary” subject. These units are known as ‘full university units’.

You can find more information in the UCP and ATAR section in this booklet. A summary of student results will also be provided to your school/college. Since 2016, UCP full university unit results are scaled like other level 3/4 TASC subjects.

TCE points Yes
ATAR score Yes
University result Yes

Performance project units

Performance project units recognise academic endeavours through on-stage roles in major college music theatre productions or playing in the supporting band/orchestra.

You’ll need to commit to a school production through rehearsal attendance and contribute significantly through individual and ensemble work.

Successful students can count the unit towards their TCE, but you will not receive a contribution to your ATAR score.

TCE points Yes
ATAR score No
University result Yes
All units are offered subject to enrolment numbers. Offerings may be impacted by public health restrictions stemming from COVID-19. For further information, please contact our unit coordinators.

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* Credit points. Please see the UCP website for all current information relating to the University Connections Program, including credit arrangements, ATAR, and TCE points and other relevant information. Visit utas.edu.au/ucp. Please note credit arrangements for 2021 and beyond are subject to changes.

**These units are only offered in specific partner Schools and Colleges.
Outdoor education session, Taroona.
The overall total of UCP units that may be credited into a University of Tasmania CALE course is limited to 25 credit points.

**HMA104**  
*Asian Studies*

Weight: 25%  
Full university unit

**Unit description**  
Asian Studies is designed for students undertaking the Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE) who are enrolled in a Tasmanian school or college. After a general introduction to Asia and Asian Studies, college teachers will use materials made available from the University of Tasmania to teach three major themes (four modules in total):

- **Young Asia** – youth culture, pop culture and the lives of young people
- **Many Asias** – ethnicity and diversity
- **Food in Focus** – Asia’s food challenges, traditional versus changing diets, food and ritual

**Learning outcomes**

After completing the unit, you’ll have developed an understanding of the diversity which exists, not only across Asia, but also within Asian countries in terms of ethnicity, age, and lifestyle. You’ll also learn to reflect on your own knowledge of Asia and will present this new knowledge to an audience.

**Prerequisites or conditions**

Students enrolled in Tasmanian schools and colleges who are over 16 years of age are eligible to undertake the course.

**Teaching format**

The course is structured in the same manner as a pre-tertiary TASC subject. This ensures that you receive plenty of teaching and learning support over a whole school year.

**Other information**

Successful students can count the unit towards their TCE and ATAR score. Successful completion of this unit will gain 25 credit points.
Creative Arts

FSF104
Object Design

Weight: 25%
Full university unit

Unit description
Object Design is about making functional items with a strong design emphasis. You'll attend a symposium that includes designer talks, technical demonstrations, and an introduction to a project brief. Access to University of Tasmania workshops can be organised through each college, with students and staff able to use specialist facilities.

Students need to produce a major design piece for assessment, backed up by a project journal and drawing, model, or project plans.

Completed student works will be presented at a group exhibition, which will also form the basis of your assessment process.

Learning outcomes
On completion of this unit, you'll individually, and in collaboration with others:

- Apply project management skills to produce and realise works, artefacts, and forms of creative expression.
- Demonstrate knowledge of materials, technologies and techniques used in creating an original designed object.
- Apply the technical skills required to create the object that has been designed.
- Demonstrate knowledge of a design icon, designer, design style, or design movement relevant to the project.
- Locate, analyse, and apply information about user needs and design-related influences.
- Develop and evaluate ideas, concepts and processes by thinking creatively, critically, and reflectively.
- Communicate ideas and information using a range of techniques.

Prerequisites or conditions
Design and Production (TASC level 2), Housing and Design (TASC level 3), Computer Graphics and Design (TASC level 2), or an equivalent unit.

Teaching format
- One-day symposium (5 hours)
- Project development at college
- Assessment: Presentation/journal research (20%)
- Reflection (20%)
- Designed object (60%)

Other information
Successful students can count the unit towards their TCE and ATAR score. Successful completion of this unit will gain 25 credit points.

“I think I worked to the best of my ability on this project and was engaged in my learning. I really feel I extended myself to achieve a great outcome.”

Hunter

Students on campus during orientation week, Hunter Street, Hobart.
FCE107
Music Projects 1
(Music Theatre)
Weight: 25%
Performance project unit

Unit description
This is the first of two ‘Performance Project units’. These recognise academic endeavour in on-stage roles in year 11/12 college music theatre productions or playing in the supporting band/orchestra. You’ll need to maintain a commitment to the production through attendance at rehearsals, as well as contribute significantly to the production through individual and ensemble work.

Learning outcomes
At the completion of this unit of study, you’ll be able to:
• Use a range of skills, techniques, and attributes required for consistent ensemble performance over a schedule of performances.
• Implement a successful practice and rehearsal regime that supports the rehearsal process.
• Perform extended role/repertoire with accuracy and consistency over a schedule of performances.

Prerequisites or conditions
Students enrolled in Tasmanian schools and colleges who are over 16 years of age are eligible to undertake the unit. Schools and colleges apply to participate in this program and usually conduct an audition process.

Teaching format
The timetabling of this unit will vary from school to school. In terms of time commitment, including timetabled rehearsals, home preparation time, research, writing tasks, and public performance season, the nominal learning hours should be in excess of 200 hours.

As school/college production rehearsals are often undertaken out of class times, students will receive and must adhere to a rehearsal schedule as developed by the production team and be committed to the performance process and schedule.

Assessment
Internal assessment is ongoing. External assessment is undertaken during the rehearsal and performance season.

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 15 TCE points. However, these results are not eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR.

FCE202
Music Projects 2
(Music Theatre)
Weight: 25%
Performance project unit

Unit description
This is the second of two ‘Performance Project units’. These accredit and recognise your academic endeavour in on-stage roles in year 11 and 12 college music theatre productions or supporting band/orchestra. You’ll be required to maintain a commitment to the production through attendance at rehearsals, as well as contribute significantly to the production through individual and ensemble work.

Learning outcomes
At the completion of this unit of study, you’ll be able to:
• Consistently maintain the ensemble etiquette behaviours of courtesy, consideration, and respect in rehearsal and performance environments.
• Develop and adhere to an effective personal practice regime in order to learn required materials that enables effective rehearsal.
• Demonstrate consistency in terms of tone and balance in rehearsal and performance as per conductor/directional intent.

Prerequisites or conditions
Students enrolled in Tasmanian schools and colleges who are over 16 years of age are eligible to undertake the unit. Schools and colleges apply to participate in this program and usually conduct an audition process.

To undertake FCE202, successful completion of Music Project 1 (FCE107) is required.

Teaching format
The timetabling of this unit will vary from school to school. In terms of time commitment, including timetabled rehearsals, home preparation time, research, writing tasks, and public performance season, the nominal learning hours should be in excess of 200 hours.

As school/college production rehearsals are often undertaken out of class times, students will receive and must adhere to a rehearsal schedule as developed by the production team and be committed to the performance process and schedule.

Assessment
Internal assessment is ongoing. External assessment is undertaken during the rehearsal performance season.

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 15 TCE points. However, these results are not eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR.
FCJ110
Music Technology Projects 1
Weight: 25%
Full university unit

Unit description
This unit will develop your awareness of what’s required for musical expression, using a range of music technologies. You’ll also learn how this can be achieved at a professional level. Using industry-standard audio design tools, you’ll engage in problem-based learning, requiring you to analyse, experiment with, reflect on, revise, and develop your craft and skill as a music technologist.

Learning outcomes
• To develop an understanding of sound creation and manipulation.
• To experience and become familiar with professional tools and skill sets relevant to the field.
• To develop an understanding of and to be able to apply appropriate standards for the delivery of music technology projects.
• To develop organisational skills to support the realisation of required project briefs as both an individual and as a member of a production team.

Prerequisites or conditions
Students enrolled in Tasmanian schools and colleges who are over 16 years of age are eligible to undertake the course. Some prior experience with music technology tools is desirable but not mandatory.

Teaching format
The course is structured in the same manner as a pre-tertiary TASC subject. This ensures that you receive plenty of teaching and learning support over a whole school year.

Assessment
Modules 1 and 4 are assessed internally by the student’s school/college teacher. Modules 2 and 3 are assessed by a panel incorporating University of Tasmania staff and the student’s teacher in an interview situation with the student.

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 15 TCE points. Subject results are also eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR, where applicable.

“... I learnt a lot about myself and grew my confidence to have discussion about concepts such as culture, equality, poverty and modernity.”

Isabelle
Music Technology
Projects 2

Weight: 25%
Full university unit

Unit description
This unit builds upon existing knowledge and experience gained in the prerequisite FCJ110 unit. You’ll develop an awareness of what’s required for musical expression using a range of music technologies, as well as how and why this might be achieved at a professional level. Using industry-standard audio design tools, you’ll engage in problem-based learning, requiring you to analyse, experiment with, reflect on, revise, and develop your craft and skill as a music technologist.

Learning outcomes
• To develop an understanding of sound creation and manipulation relevant to tertiary-level entrance requirements.
• Familiarity with professional tools and development of skill sets relevant to the field.
• A refined understanding of and ability to apply appropriate standards for the delivery of music technology projects.
• Consolidated organisational skills to support the realisation of required project briefs as both an individual and as a member of a production team.

Prerequisites or conditions
Successful completion of Music Technology Projects 1 (FCJ110) is a requirement.

Teaching format
The course is structured in the same manner as a pre-tertiary TASC subject. This ensures that you receive plenty of teaching and learning support over a whole school year.

Assessment
Modules 1 and 4 are assessed internally by the student’s school/college teacher. Modules 2 and 3 are assessed by a panel incorporating University of Tasmania staff and the student’s teacher in an interview situation with the student.

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 15 TCE points. Subject results are also eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR, where applicable.

Foundation
Practical Study

Weight: 25%
Full university unit

Unit description
This ‘Full university unit’ is the first of two providing an intensive course of study in music performance or composition. It’s designed to build skills for a successful entry into the Bachelor of Music.

Learning outcomes
On completion of this unit, you’ll be able to:
• Demonstrate an understanding of the nature of instrumental performance or presentation of musical compositions, developing reliable strategies to improve performance; in particular, effective practicing/composition techniques, designed to make best use of available time, communicating with and coordinating rehearsal times with associated musicians.
• Demonstrate effective communication, information, literacy, and analytical skills by engaging in specific activities to enhance the development of critical understanding of performance/composition issues (weekly instrumental/composition class, performance practice, assessment presentations, attendance at and critique of professional performances).

Prerequisites or conditions
Students enrolled in Tasmanian schools and colleges who are over 16 years of age are eligible to undertake this unit. It’s beneficial if a student has undertaken the TQA Music 3C syllabus in year 11 to equip them with a solid practical and theoretical background.

Teaching format
This course is structured in the same manner as a pre-tertiary TASC subject to ensure students receive the breadth of teaching and learning support over the whole school year. Students are required to invest significant time in skill development as well as concert attendance and critical listening activities. Students are required to demonstrate independence in their learning to develop a performance program or presentation of compositions and maintain a portfolio containing a range of prescribed and optional tasks.

Assessment
Mid-year assessments (part formative, part summative) are conducted in term 2 in each of the schools/colleges. The culminating (summative) performance recital or composition presentation occurs in late-October/early November. These are panel assessments involving classroom teachers and Conservatorium staff. Students are also required to complete a written portfolio of work throughout the year.

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 15 TCE points. Subject results are also eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR, where applicable.
FCP120
Advanced Practical Study

Weight: 25%
Full university unit

Unit description
This ‘Full university unit’ is the second of two aimed at providing an intensive course of study in music performance or composition. It’s designed to build skills for a successful entry into the Bachelor of Music.

Learning outcomes
On completion of this unit, you’ll be able to:

- Demonstrate significant understanding of the nature of instrumental performance or compositional development.
- Learn reliable strategies to improve performance, such as practicing and compositional techniques.
- Engage in classroom conversations, research, and independent learning activities to develop musical ideas for interpretation through performance/presentation.
- Demonstrate strong instrumental/compositional skills leading to the development of a significant recital/presentation of your works.
- Deepen your musical understanding.
- Develop a challenging repertoire or musical composition that is to performance-standard.

Assessment
Mid-year assessments (part formative, part summative) are conducted in term 2 in each of the schools/colleges. The culminating (summative) performance recital or composition presentation occurs in late-October/early November. These are panel assessments involving classroom teachers and Conservatorium staff. Students are also required to complete a written portfolio of work throughout the year.

Other information
Students enrolled in Tasmanian schools and colleges who are over 16 years of age are eligible to undertake the unit. To undertake FCP120, successful completion of Foundation Practical Study (FCP113) is required.

Note: FCP113 and FCP120 cannot be studied concurrently.

Performance strand
Ongoing instrumental tuition is required. Recommended instrumental/vocal technical standard is AMEB Grade 7 or equivalent.

Composition strand
Success in FCP113 composition strand.

Teaching format
This course is structured in the same manner as a pre-tertiary TASC subject to ensure students receive the breadth of teaching and learning support over the whole school year. You’ll be required to invest significant time in skill development, as well as concert attendance and critical listening activity. You are also required to demonstrate independence in your learning to develop a performance program or presentation of compositions, and to maintain a portfolio containing a range of prescribed and optional tasks.

FCA118
Songwriting

Weight: 25%
Full university unit

Unit description
A focused course of study in song writing designed to build your skills to prepare you for a successful entry pathway into the Bachelor of Music Degree.

Learning outcomes
On completion of this unit, you’ll be able to:

1. Use musical elements and techniques on your ability to:
2. Communicate an understanding of musical language through the analysis and presentation of songs.
3. Reflect and convey ideas (20%)
4. Demonstrate knowledge and application of music technologies to record own songs (20%)
5. Participate and engage in songwriting tasks autonomously and collaboratively (5%)

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 15 TCE points. Subject results are also eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR, where applicable.

Teaching format
This unit is structured in the same manner as a pre-tertiary TASC subject to ensure students receive the breadth of teaching and learning support over the whole school year.

Assessment
The assessment of this unit will be based on your ability to:

1. Use musical elements and techniques in the creation of songs (35%)
2. Communicate an understanding of musical language through the analysis and presentation of songs (20%)
3. Reflect and convey ideas (20%)
4. Demonstrate knowledge and application of music technologies to record own songs (20%)
5. Participate and engage in songwriting tasks autonomously and collaboratively (5%)

Prerequisites or conditions
Successful completion of Contemporary Music (TASC M2C215117) is recommended. In this TASC course, you’ll engage in a range of desirable musical activities including focused listening, analysis, composing, using music technology, WH&S issues in contemporary music settings and developing an awareness of Music Business practices.

If you have not followed this pathway, you may be required to attend an interview/audition and present a folio of original songs to demonstrate technical and musical ability.
Accounting, Management and Entrepreneurship

Credit into a bachelor’s degree
The overall total of UCP units that may be credited into a TSBE course is currently limited to 25 credit points.

BFA113
Accounting and Financial Decision Making (semester 2 unit)

Weight: 12.5%

Unit description
This unit will help you understand the role that accounting plays in providing accountability. We move beyond introductory accounting and explore the important role that accounting has in organisations, society and the environment. After completing this unit, you’ll have the fundamental management and financial accounting knowledge, tools for analysing organisations’ external reports and a comprehension of how of accounting can be used to address social responsibility, ethical conduct and sustainability.

Learning outcomes
• In this unit, you’ll learn to:
• Explain and apply the fundamental principles of management and financial accounting.
• Explain how accountability can inform the practice of accounting and analyse the role of accounting in addressing social responsibility, ethical conduct and sustainability.

Prerequisites or conditions
There are no prerequisite units for BFA113 Accounting and Accountability.

Teaching format
This unit is based around a weekly 90-minute online workshop. Workshops will be used to introduce the various topics that we cover in the unit, to demonstrate case studies, and for you to complete case studies. You’ll be given learning materials such as PowerPoint slides and workshop illustrations that will be used during the semester. You should bring the relevant materials to each workshop. Having attended a workshop on a particular topic, you’ll be asked to undertake various tasks related to that topic. This may involve the following:
• Watching online recorded seminars
• Preparing answers to selected questions and problems which will be made available online on MyLO. Your lecturer will inform you of any online independent study tasks that are required to be completed before the following workshop.

Assessment
Mid-semester test (20%), Case study assignment (20%) and Final test (60%).

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 8 TCE points. Subject results are also eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR, where applicable.

Business students visiting local entrepreneur Kim Seagram at Stillwater, Launceston.
BMA114
Sports and Recreation Management

Weight: 25%
Full university unit

Unit description
This unit gives you an initial experience that will be beneficial after completion of college.
BMA114’s primary focus is on the sport industry, including professional sport, amateur sport, for-profit sport participation, non-profit sport participation, sporting goods, and sport services. The unit introduces you to the different managerial and administrative components of the sport industry at local, state, national, and international levels.
Class discussions and assessment will help you gain the skills to function as a professional manager in the sports marketplace. In addition, you’ll be exposed to different sports careers, the requirements for entrance into various employment areas, and trends in the industry.

Learning outcomes
In this unit, you’ll learn to:

- Effectively communicate an argument supported by sports management (SM) academic literature or other accepted literature in SM.
- Demonstrate knowledge, attitudes, and skills for digital age work and learning.

Prerequisites or conditions
None specified.

Teaching format
This is a full-year unit taught across all four terms of the school year. Please check with your college for timetable details. Enrolment will be held in the second week of class.
Teaching will comprise weekly classes taught by college teachers in each of the four school terms. Tutorials will be incorporated into the class sessions.

Assessment
Multiple assessment items across Terms 1–4 including quizzes, literature review, reflections on learning, and written assignments (80% of final mark). Final capstone assessment piece (20% of final mark).

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 15 TCE points. Subject results are also eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR, where applicable.

“I thoroughly enjoyed this class. It was one of the first subjects I had done where I was able to learn in and outside the classroom and about something I love. I was able to see the relevance of the unit in my community and apply what I had learned.”

Flynn
BAA203
Entrepreneurship

Full Year Unit
15 TCE and eligible for ATAR-Unit
Coordinator: James Riggall

Unit description
Entrepreneurship looks at business through the lens of design, creativity, and innovation. The study of entrepreneurship teaches you to create business opportunities out of problems that ordinary customers face in their day-to-day lives.

This unit will help you develop your own entrepreneurial mindset. You’ll learn self-motivation, resourcefulness, and persistence. You’ll build on your passion for implementing new ideas and solving problems for people. You’ll learn how to bounce back from failures and to calculate and manage risk. Plus, you’ll have the chance to work in a team to develop your own business concept and develop a lean business plan and project pitch. This puts the principles you’ve learned into practice.

Learning outcomes
This unit teaches you about modern best-practice approaches to entrepreneurship.

You’ll learn:
• How to cultivate your own entrepreneurial mindset.
• How to come up with ideas and identify business opportunities.
• How to use design thinking principles to develop compelling products and services.
• How to use the lean startup methodology to learn faster than your competition.
• How to use minimum viable products (or MVPs) to validate your product in the market.
• How to build a successful business model around your product or service innovation.
• How to pitch your idea to investors, customers, and potential employees.

You’ll put these principles into practice when you develop your own business concept, lean business plan and investor pitch.
Marine and Antarctic Credit into a bachelor’s degree

As a full unit offering within the UCP, students who successfully complete this unit will gain 12.5 credit points in a Bachelor of Marine and Antarctic Studies/Bachelor of General Studies.

XAS101 A Practical Introduction to Temperate Marine Biology

Weight: 12.5%
Full university unit (Intensive offering)

Unit description
Want to be a Marine Biologist? Your journey starts here. This predominantly field-based unit is designed to engage, challenge, excite, and inspire you through an experiential and hands-on marine science program.

This unit will introduce you to concepts of ecological theory and practice, allowing you to apply marine biology theories, techniques, and sampling methods during a practical field investigation of species diversity within temperate marine habitats. Emphasis will be placed on developing an ability to design, collect, and interpret biological data.

It will encourage you to explore issues threatening marine biodiversity plus important local fisheries, including climate change, overharvesting, invasive species, pollution, and habitat destruction.

Learning outcomes
On completion of this unit, you’ll be able to:

- Understand key ecological concepts and identify key threats for marine ecosystems.
- Write an essay on a key threat to marine ecosystems, synthesising current knowledge and potential solutions.
- Maintain an accurate field diary, recording all aspects of a rigorous scientific sampling program.
- Understand and apply scientific methods.
- Collect, enter, and interpret biological/environmental data.
- Use data sets to draw a rank abundance curve.
- Present scientific data and communicate research findings in oral form.
- Understand environmental factors influencing diversity and adaptation in intertidal communities.
- Competently use instruments and field identification guides to conduct fine-scale monitoring of biological communities.

Prerequisites or conditions
Students should to have completed (or be concurrently enrolled in) at least one of the following college courses: Life Sciences 2, Environmental Science and Society, or Biology 3. You’ll also need a moderate level of personal fitness for the five-day field trip to Maria Island, where you’ll be accommodated in basic cabins or camping grounds (subject to availability and student numbers).

Field excursion fee
This unit is covered by a HECS scholarship. However, there is a field excursion fee of $645 per student to cover transport from Hobart, all meals, accommodation, field sampling and diving equipment, and support staff.

Teaching format
75 hours (Intensive five-day field trip including lectures on Maria Island, Tasmania, one full-day workshop and presentations at IMAS Waterfront Building, Salamanca, and essay writing, due within two weeks after returning from the field trip). Learning materials will be available from March, subject to any public health restrictions around COVID-19. The field trip will run from 20 to 24 April, and the workshop and final student presentation will be on 25 April at IMAS Waterfront Building, Salamanca.

Enrolments close four-weeks prior to the field excursion and there is a unit quota of 24 students.

Expressions of interest can also be registered at imas.utas.edu.au/mariaisland

Assessment
Field aptitude and quizzes (40%) Field Journal (20%) Group presentation (20%) Essay (20%)

Other information
Students who successfully complete this unit receive 8 TCE points. Subject results are also eligible for inclusion in the calculation of the ATAR, where applicable.
KSM101
A Primer of Marine and Antarctic Science

Weight: 12.5%
Extension unit
(Intensive 8-week offering)

Unit description
Ever dreamt of exploring the world’s oceans and journeying to the Antarctic? Take this online unit in Marine and Antarctic Science to prime yourself for a career exploring our blue planet!

70 percent of the planet is covered by ocean. In this unit, we explore the origins of life in the oceans, iconic and ‘weird’ marine life, give insight into ‘a day in the life’ of an oceanographer, and explore a number of topics highly relevant to modern society including technologies for ocean science, responding to climate change, threatened species, and sustainable management of marine resources.

This unit is taught through four online modules:

Module 1: Marine life – topics of marine life and the ecology of temperate and high latitude marine ecosystems.

Module 2: The Ocean system – the interactions between physical, chemical, geological and ecological features.

Module 3: Climate Change and multiple stressors - the role of the oceans in climate change and how climate change affects ocean life.

Module 4: Stewardship of the oceans – how human activity impacts the oceans and the responsibilities of humans in ocean stewardship.

The modules are designed to introduce you to the different elements of Marine and Antarctic Science and have been compiled by 35 researchers from the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) who are world leading experts in marine ecology and biodiversity, oceans and cryosphere’s and fisheries and aquaculture and will challenge, excite and inspire you.

Learning outcomes
On completion of the Unit, you’ll be able to:

• Explain the diversity of marine life, with a focus on temperate/Antarctic ecosystems, and to recognise the values of marine ecosystems and the threats to them.
• Summarise the ocean as a driver of the Earth’s system and explain some of the scientific tools and methods used to measure characteristics of the ocean.
• Identify key stressors on the ocean and assess the evidence for drivers of climate change.
• Outline approaches to sustainable management of the ocean to retain its critical values and functioning in the Anthropocene.

Prior knowledge and/or skills
As an extension unit offered through UCP, this unit is designed for college students who have studied or are studying subjects such as Science, Environmental Science, Biology, Life Sciences, Chemistry or Maths. Prior knowledge and/ or experience in marine environments is desirable. Excellent writing skills and associated skills in use of online resources are minimum standards for this unit.

Teaching format
The unit is taught over 8 weeks and involves 7.5 hours of engagement. This includes online video lectures with associated online tasks and Zoom tutorial sessions.

The unit is taught in four modules, delivered online via pre-recorded video lectures available via MyLO. In support of the video lectures, regular Zoom tutorial sessions are run by the Unit coordinator where lecture content and assignment tasks are discussed and feedback on assessment tasks is given. The Zoom sessions also foster collegiality and collaboration amongst the student cohort.

Assessment
Module Tweets 5% (composed of four module tweets worth 1.25% each); Module Quizzes 20% (composed of four modules quizzes worth 5% each); Fake news rebuttal 15%; Essay 30%; Final Exam 30%. Final online exam occurring at the end of May (TBA). Results will be formally released with all Semester 1 results at UTAS.

Other information
Results in this unit in 2021 will not contribute to your TCE/ATAR. This unit is available HECS-free. Applications open on the 28th January with enrolments closing four-weeks prior to Unit commencement on the 8th April when all online learning modules will be made available via MyLO.
Applied Learning

Credit into a bachelor’s degree
As a one-semester unit offering within the UCP, students who successfully complete this unit will gain 12.5 credit points in a Bachelor of General Studies.

XAS101
Learning Through Work (Full year)
Weight: 12.5%
Extension unit

Unit description
This extension unit supports the assessment and internship requirements of the TCE unit Learning Through Internship (LTI215117).

During this unit, you’ll prepare for, participate in and reflect upon an industry internship experience. Workshops and events provided by University College will immerse you in a range of authentic workplace experiences designed to enrich the TCE unit and develop transferable employability skills.

You’ll also be supported in the design, development and presentation of your industry-based project, which will be completed during your internship. You’ll learn about design thinking principles and have an opportunity to apply this knowledge to address your identified industry problem or solution. Experiences that will be provided by University College include:

• Collaboration with existing industry partnerships to provide a suite of internship opportunities.
• Development of an application process to further enhance transferable employability skills.

Learning outcomes
On completion of this unit, you’ll have a clearer understanding of your own occupational and educational pathway options. Your internship experience will immerse you in your industry of choice, helping you make connections with local industry partners. The application process will help you develop transferable skills that will boost your self-confidence and better equip you to apply for future jobs. By understanding and implementing design thinking principles, you’ll also become a more effective problem solver and learn to draw from your own skills to make a meaningful contribution to the workforce.

Prior knowledge and/or skills
As an extension unit offered through UCP, the unit Learning through work requires you to be concurrently enrolled in Learning Through Internship (LTI215117). Visit utas.edu.au/ucp for more information.

Teaching format
This unit consists of eight face-to-face workshops across a 12-month period. These workshops are supported by a series of online modules that need to be completed by students.

Other information
Results in this unit will not contribute to your TCE/ATAR.
Application and admission

The first step towards application and admission is for you to choose the unit you wish to enrol in. Information on the programs available can be found in this handbook, as well as the UCP website: utas.edu.au/ucp

In addition, university staff may visit schools to provide information and advice on the college programs. It’s important to discuss your choices with parents, carers and teachers to explore your eligibility and how the program will fit with your TCE study.

Apply

Application forms are available on the UCP website. The application process is as follows:

Step 1: Choose
Choose the units you would like to study from the 2021 University of Tasmania College unit offerings.

Step 2: Complete the application form
Complete a UCP Application for Admission and Enrolment Form 2021. This form will be accessible via the UCP website in January 2021 at utas.edu.au/ucp

Same units will require parental and/or school permission for admission into the UCP.

Step 3: Complete the Electronic Commonwealth Assistance Form (eCAF)
The eCAF form is to ensure that students receive a scholarship to cover their tuition fees. If this form is not completed and submitted, your enrolment cannot proceed.

After your online application has been received, you will be sent a link to complete the eCAF online.

Enrol

After the completed application and documentation has been approved by the University, you’ll be enrolled in the relevant program in your chosen units. You’re encouraged to submit your application early in the 2020 school year. It’s recognised that some units start later in the year (for example the Arts, Music and Performance units). All forms must be returned by a final census date. Census dates for individual units of study will be communicated to schools. The eStudent Centre is the University student portal where you can view your enrolment, update personal details, and access results. Every student is issued with an email account and password details in order to access the online student portal and university email information. Instructions will be included in the information sent to students with their ID card. Students will also be given information on how to access and use eStudent Centre including an online eTour to familiarise themselves with the online process.

Costs

All students are liable for any textbooks/stationery costs and costs associated with attending workshops.

Domestic students
Domestic students will receive a HECS scholarship when they complete the Commonwealth Assistance Form (CAF) after enrolment. If this form is not completed and submitted, your enrolment will be cancelled (see section above on steps to applying).

International students
Limited scholarships are available. Please contact UConnect at utas.edu.au/students/admin/u-connect or email HAPUCP.enquires@utas.edu.au

Study materials
If you have questions about study materials, content or delivery of the program, you should speak with the specific University Coordinator for that particular unit.

Their contact details can be found in the College information and units section later in this booklet. University facilitators for the individual programs will provide a program of study, resources, workshops, and academic assistance. Some programs will require access to MyLO, which is the online learning system used at the University of Tasmania.

Results
The UCP has a range of delivery methods and so the finalisation and publication of results will depend on which program you are enrolled in.

Students provide permission for their results to be released to their school or college at the time of application.

Full university unit results are submitted in early December to TASC for inclusion in the calculation of TCE and ATAR.

Extension unit results are made available in late January of the year following enrolment and completion.

Performance project unit results are typically made available in mid-to-late December.

All UCP students are enrolled as University of Tasmania students.

You need to check your emails regularly and access your results through the University eStudent online portal.

Note that UCP students do not receive individual letters or academic transcripts of their units unless they have made specific arrangements with the academic coordinator for this purpose.

ID card and email
The University provides an ID card for all enrolled students. The card is used for Library transactions and also to pay for printing at various computer labs across each campus. Students will need to present their Student ID Card at university exams and on request any time they use university facilities after-hours.

Most university communication will be done through your university webmail account. A username, password, and email address will be provided. You’ll be able to login wherever you have internet access. It’s important that you check your University of Tasmania webmail account regularly.

Withdrawals
If you wish to withdraw from a unit or a program, you should speak to the subject teacher at your school and contact the unit coordinator at the University.

On finalisation of a UCP withdrawal request, the University may inform your school or college. UCP students can withdraw without academic or financial penalty.

Number of UCP units that students can study
There is no limit to the number of UCP units you can study (students need permission from the University of Tasmania to study more than two units in a school year). You are advised to discuss the selection of units with your teachers, parents or carers. However, the University may impose limits as to how much credit you can receive into a bachelor’s degree. Details are provided in the individual unit information in this handbook.
Collaboration between the University of Tasmania and the Tasmanian Assessment, Standards & Certification (TASC) allows results in some UCP units to be counted towards the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) in Tasmania. The ATAR is based on the best five results in TASC level 3 or 4 courses and may include full university units of the UCP. Full university units of the UCP typically count for the same credit as TASC level 3 courses, although several are about half as much as a TASC level 3 course (i.e. they are 12.5% university units).

In order to provide for the inclusion of any 12.5% university units in the calculation of your ATAR, all TASC level 3 or 4 subjects you have completed have their score halved. Each half score is then deemed to be the “equivalent” of a 12.5% university unit. The best 10 half scores (with at least 6 in Year 12) are then selected to determine the ATAR.

Please note: students who reside outside of Tasmania should contact their home state’s Tertiary Admission Centre for advice on the possible inclusion of results from their study at the University of Tasmania in the calculation of an ATAR.

Scaling is calculated and applied each year, and will be applied to relevant UCP units studied. The scaling process is determined by TASC and is applied to all accredited senior secondary courses at TASC level 3 or 4 and to approved* University of Tasmania units at foundation level and above. For more information about scaling, visit the TASC website tasc.tas.gov.au.

Frequently asked questions

Am I able to repeat or retake a UCP unit to attempt/achieve a higher mark?

Unfortunately, under current legislation, it’s not possible for a student to retake units of study as a Commonwealth supported student for which they have received a pass grade or better.

Do I already have a place reserved for me at the University in my chosen course after I complete year 12?

No. When you have completed your year 11/12 studies, you’ll need to apply to the University as a commencing student in your chosen course. You can apply for credit for the units you have studied, subject to university approval.

For Music units

The Conservatorium of Music now makes early offers to year 12 students who have successfully completed FCP113 and/or FCP120.

Will I be required to submit assignments and sit exams?

You’ll be required to undertake all prescribed assessments for UCP units in the same way as a regular University student. Depending on the unit, you may be required to submit assignments by the due date and/or sit exams during the assigned exam period along with your fellow class members.

UCP, the ATAR, and TCE

Extension units

Some units are known as ‘extension units’. These are offered in close alignment with a TASC level 2 or 3 pre-tertiary subject. They extend your knowledge and experience beyond the linked pre-tertiary subjects. For example, our Learning through Work unit is designed for students studying Learning through Internship 2, while our Primer in Marine and Antarctic Studies unit is a perfect subject for those studying Environmental Science, Physical Science or Biology, but would like to know more about their respective interest area.

You’ll also receive a result for the UCP Extension Unit that can be accessed through the University of Tasmania online portal at estudent.utas.edu.au. The result you receive for a UCP Extension Unit does not contribute to your ATAR but it may contribute to your future university studies.

Information about units

At present, UCP units are available in the College of Arts, Law and Education, College of Business and Economics, College of Sciences and Engineering and University College. Information and unit descriptions are provided in the following sections. Please note: unit offerings may be subject to change. For the most up-to-date listing of units available, visit utas.edu.au/ucp.

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