

Year in Review

December 2025



UOW
COLLEGE
AUSTRALIA

Transforming lives through education

Our academic pathway programs, English Language, and Vocational Education and Training courses are supported by a comprehensive student support framework designed to help our students succeed in their studies.

In collaboration with the University of Wollongong, UOW College provides an exceptional education and a supportive and inclusive community where every student can thrive.

About this Booklet

This booklet is designed to support understanding of the UOW College Australia student profile. UOW College plays an important role in providing pathway courses to the University of Wollongong in Australia, as well as to other UOW campuses around the world.



Student profile

Total enrolments across all courses in 2025

3251

Top student citizenships:

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|---------------|-------------|
| 1. Australian | 3. Japanese |
| 2. Chinese | 4. Nepalese |
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Domestic

Academic Pathway Programs

828

Vocational Education & Training

277

International

Academic Pathway Programs

147

Onshore

17

Offshore

ELICOS

712

Onshore

1270

Offshore

Study Tours

Total student participants

964

Setting up students for success at UOW


At UOW College, our role goes beyond delivering education, we offer students the opportunity to access it. We provide critical pathways that help students transition to the University of Wollongong, ensuring they are well prepared to succeed in their future studies. Through our courses and dedicated support, we equip students to confidently step into university life and achieve their academic aspirations.

Student profile

Understanding students who transition to UOW after studying at UOW College in Australia.

945

Students commenced their studies at UOW in 2024.



Top UOW courses students progress into:

- Bachelor of Computer Science
- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)
- Bachelor of Nursing

Top student citizenships:

1. Australian
2. Chinese
3. Bangladeshi
4. Vietnamese

454

Academic courses

68

Vocational courses

423

English Language courses

11

Aunty Linda Cruise Scholarships provided fee-free study opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in 2024 & 2025.

Empowered by our people

Today, we are proud to have a diverse and talented team, who represent the communities and students we serve.

Our commitment to fostering an inclusive, supportive, and flexible workplace helps us ensure we are a desirable place to work, as our employees acknowledge.



UOW College
staff members

24/7



“

There's something really special about watching someone discover their own potential.”

Kelly McMullan
Program Manager (Fitness)
UOW College



Academic Pathways

Our academic pathway programs support both domestic and international students through Diplomas, Foundation Studies, and university preparation courses designed for those who do not meet the requirements for direct entry into the University of Wollongong.

23

Academic pathway programs offered

40

Guaranteed pathways into degrees at the University of Wollongong

Our student population in 2025

1239

Total student enrolments in academic pathway programs

736

Returning students

992

Commencing students

1006

Domestic

233

International

Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT)

81%

Had a positive overall experience, compared to a national average of 76%.

92%

Were happy with facilities and resources, compared to a national average of 83%.

79%

Rated support and services positively, compared to a national average of 71%.

89%

Rated teaching practices positively, based on a national average of 80%.

*Based on QILT Student Experience Survey 2023 and 2024.

Vocational Education and Training

Continued growth across the Vocational Education and Training (VET) portfolio saw the expansion of high-demand programs and delivery locations, alongside stronger industry and community partnerships. Flexible models and workforce-focused training extended delivery beyond traditional classroom environments.

98%

Developed the skills they expected from the training.

96%

Developed the knowledge expected from the training.



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Vocational
nationally
recognised
qualifications

New commencing students

349

Students enrolled in
full qualifications.

158

Students enrolled
in statements of
attainment.

Outcomes

247

Full qualifications
issued.

147

Statements
of attainment
issued.

96%

Were satisfied with
the training.

97%

Felt the trainers
made the subject as
interesting as possible.

* Vocational Learner Survey Jan - July 2025

English Language Courses

The English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students (ELICOS) program at UOW College provides high-quality English language instruction designed to improve proficiency for students planning to study, work, or live in an English-speaking environment.

With a focus on language, literacy, communication skills and cultural understanding, our ELICOS courses are integral for many international students seeking a pathway to further study.

ELICOS programs are delivered both in Australia and offshore through our strategic partnerships, ensuring access to quality English language education.

These courses also prepare students for entry into University of Wollongong degrees delivered in Australia and offshore, supporting academic success through English language preparation.

Top student citizenships (onshore):

1. Japanese
2. Chinese
3. Saudi
4. Bangladeshi



1270

Offshore students
undertaking
English for Tertiary
Studies.

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712

Onshore students
undertaking
English for
Academic
Purposes, English
for Tertiary Studies,
or General English.

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426

of the onshore
students were
participating
in Study Tours,
studying
integrated English.

Transnational Education

UOW College transnational Education programs provide opportunities for students to study UOW Courses from their home country. The College collaborates with quality institutions to ensure our students maintain strong academic records.

In these partnerships, UOW College provides course materials, comprehensive staff training and support and maintains rigorous quality assurance standards.

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Global partnerships

Expanding offshore partnerships

In 2025, UOW College formalised three new international partnerships to deliver programs offshore:

- **New Oriental Vision Overseas Consulting Company (NOVO), China**
Delivering Foundation Studies in Beijing, Zhengzhou, and Guangzhou.
- **Hebei International Education Exchange Centre (HIEESC), China**
Delivering Diplomas in Business and IT in Baoding and Tianjin.
- **Language Institute of Chiang Mai University (LICMU), Thailand**
Delivering English for Academic Purposes in Chiang Mai.

Established partnerships

English Programs

- **Central China Normal University (CCNU), Wuhan, China**
A Joint Institute offering pre-session English for Tertiary Studies.
- **Beijing Jiaotong University (BJTU), China**
A twinning arrangement where students concurrently undertake English for Tertiary Studies with their degree studies over a one year period.
- **Zhengzhou University (ZZU), China**
Students complete a UOW degree at ZZU including undertaking ETS concurrently with their first year of degree study.

Academic Programs

- **Global Online Accelerator Program, India**
Delivered through a partnership with the WorldGrad.



Study Tours

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For over thirty years, UOW College has welcomed Study Tour groups from international universities, high schools and education partners, offering a diverse range of tailored programs. These programs combine academic learning with cultural immersion, providing a rewarding and professional experience.

Program formats include:

Integrated: Students join open English classes with other UOW College students.

Closed: Private English classes and activities tailored exclusively to each group's needs.

Customised: A flexible mix of closed and integrated classes, available for both under-18 and adult students.

Program highlights

963

Study Tour and Language groups hosted

211

Students enrolled in closed programs

329

Under-18 students enrolled in closed programs

36

Total number of partners/agreements

Homestay

Our Homestay and Study Tour programs are closely intertwined, providing personalised experiences and connections to local homestay hosts. The Homestay program facilitates and monitors accommodation options for international students by linking

them with local host families, allowing for paid stays in their homes. These hosts offer invaluable support providing guidance, cultural insights and a welcoming environment that enhances the overall experience for students and participants.

Program highlights

1015

Students placed with Homestay hosts

\$1.75 million

Contributed to the local community through student hosting in 2024

248

Active homestay hosts in the program





Advancing our Strategic Plan

As we continue to create opportunities for students, strengthen our relationship with the University of Wollongong, and adapt to the evolving landscape of higher education in Australia we remain committed to expanding access to education for future learners.

Goal 1

Our education is student-focused

Goal 3

Our actions drive innovation and growth

Goal 2

Our ways of working enable our people

Goal 4

Our diversity supports our community to thrive



Staff Awards

This year, we are proud to celebrate the individuals receiving our Staff Awards – team members who have been recognised by their colleagues for consistently showcasing our core values of Excellence, Collaboration, Innovation, Integrity, Passion, and Courage throughout 2025.

Employee of the Year - 2025 Winner: Hannah Ostwald

Collaboration - Individual

Winner: Liz Thomas

Collaboration - Teams

Winner: Block Delivery Pilot Team

Courage

Winner: Alison Ianni

Excellence in Professional Service

Winner: Hannah Ostwald

Excellence in Teaching Leadership

Winner: Kelly McMullan

Excellence in Teaching

Winner: Sheridan Reilly

Innovation

Winner: Leighton Alcock

Integrity

Winner: Elke Bancroft

Passion

Winner: Sara Treble

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Any references to the number of students who have continued their studies at the University of Wollongong are based on enrolments during this reporting period, not enrolment in the College course itself. All figures were accurate at the time of printing; however, student data may change over time.

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