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Deferral of enrolment

A student who has been admitted to, but has not enrolled in, a course of the University may apply in writing to the Director, Student & Academic Services, stating the circumstances necessitating such an application to defer enrolment in the course to which the student has been admitted. The Director, Student & Academic Services may grant a request to defer enrolment for a period up to but not exceeding 1 year. The Director, Student & Academic Services may grant a request to defer enrolment in the course for a period exceeding 1 year after consultation with the Dean of the relevant faculty, having regard to the circumstances concerned. The Director, Student & Academic Services will notify the student of the decision. A student granted a deferral of enrolment who fails to apply to enrol in the course from which they have deferred by the date specified in the deferral approval must reapply for admission before they can enrol. (Extract from University Rule 3)

Faculty of Health Science – Deferral conditions

Information on applying for a deferral in the Faculty of Health Science will be sent with the letter of offer. All applications for deferral from Faculty of Health Science courses must be made no later than two weeks after the offer date. Applicants for deferral will need to demonstrate strong family, personal or financial grounds for their application to be considered. Applications will be assessed by the Head of School, or nominee, in consultation with the Faculty Executive Officer. In the Faculty of Health Science a student who has been granted a deferral is required to enrol in the course within the University requirements and timeframe, no late applications will be accepted. In accordance with University Rule 3 students who fail to enrol by this date will forfeit their place in the course and will be required to reapply for admission. Specific restrictions on deferral apply to the following courses:

Bachelor of Exercise Science The option of deferring an offer of a place in the Bachelor of Exercise Science is permitted for Year 12 school leaver applicants who have scored a high ranking. A maximum of seven (7) deferral places is available per year. This restriction is applied due to the Bachelor of Exercise Science being a quota-restricted course. Only applications received before the 31st of January will be considered.

Bachelor of Health Science / Bachelor of Radiation Science (Medical Imaging) Due to the small number of places available in this course, deferral is not offered.

Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery MBBS An applicant who wishes to defer may apply on the appropriate form (<http://www.utas.edu.au/students/forms/ga/deferral.pdf>) to the Academic Registrar for permission to defer his or her first enrolment for a period of one year. The School of Medicine normally imposes an upper limit of FOUR on the number of deferrals granted in any year. The option of deferring an offer of a place in the MBBS is limited to Commonwealth Supported Place applicants who have scored a high ranking. Students in the following categories are not eligible to defer their entry to the course –

- Students who have accepted Medical Rural Bonded Places or Medical Rural Bonded Scholarships

- Students whose UMAT scores would exceed their expiry date during the deferral year
- Students whose UMAT scores fall within the bottom half of their intake category

Where more than 4 students in any one intake apply to defer, the reasons presented for wishing to defer will be taken into account in reaching a decision.

Bachelor of Pharmacy The option of deferring an offer of a place in the Bachelor of Pharmacy is permitted for Year 12 school leaver applicants who have scored a high ranking. A maximum of two (2) deferral places is available per year. This restriction is applied due to the Bachelor of Pharmacy being a quota-restricted course. Only applications received before the 31st of January will be considered.

Bachelor of Nursing Due to the high demand for places in this course, deferral is not normally offered. Deferral will be granted only under exceptional circumstances and the decision to grant deferral will be made on an individual basis with the Head of School.