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ADFA
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY

OVERVIEW OF ADFA



UNSW
AUSTRALIA



A UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT FOR THOSE WISHING TO EXCEL

The Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) is unique. It provides you with the opportunity to start an exciting career as a junior officer in the Navy, Army or Air Force and undertake tertiary studies at the same time.

There are a variety of officer positions available in many different fields, from Administration and Logistics through to Aviation, Intelligence and Engineering. You could become a Electronics Engineer in the Navy, a Pilot in the Army, or even an Air Combat Officer in the Air Force – there are dozens of exciting careers open to you.

At ADFA, you will learn the leadership and military skills you will need as a junior officer in the Australian Defence Force (ADF). You will also study for a degree from the University of New South Wales (UNSW), one of the world's top 50 universities. You may study an Arts, Business, Engineering, Information Technology, Science or Technology degree with some of Australia's brightest minds, at one of Australia's leading universities.

All information is correct as of April 2015.

LEARN TO BE A LEADER

There are over 1000 officer cadets and midshipmen at ADFA, drawn from across Australia making ADFA arguable the most truly nationally representative undergraduate institution in the country.

At ADFA, the military training is designed to teach you everything you will need to know to commence your job as a junior officer in the Australian Defence Force. The Academy Military and Education Training (AMET) program comprises of classroom and lecture style classes and physical training. During your time at ADFA, you will also undertake challenging and rewarding leadership training tailored to teach you how to lead and excel as an officer in the Australian Defence Force.

There is a strong extra-curricular program at ADFA with over 70 sporting teams and extra-curricular clubs to participate in. Ranging from sports such as basketball, rugby union and tennis through to extra-curricular clubs such as adventure training, CrossFit and a theatre production club, there's a club to cater for many interests.



UNSW is one of the most highly regarded universities in Australia and internationally.

You will have access to the best resources and equipment in the country and a student-to-teacher ratio unmatched by any other university in Australia. UNSW is one of the 'Group of Eight' leading universities in the nation, and is recognised as the Australian university with the strongest links to industry. This means you will get the best education that Australia has to offer. Through a challenging program of studies, you will become one of the most respected graduates in your chosen field. What's more, you will graduate with a world class degree from UNSW.



WHAT DEGREES ARE ON OFFER?

The degrees are more diverse than you have probably imagined. UNSW Canberra at ADFA offers degrees in Arts, Business, Engineering (Aeronautical, Civil, Electrical and Mechanical), Information Technology, Science and Technology (Aeronautical and Aviation).

The following bachelor degrees are available at UNSW Canberra:

- **Bachelor of Arts** BA, BA (CDF) and BA (Hons)
- **Bachelor of Business** BBus, BBus (CDF) and BBus (Hons)
- **Bachelor of Engineering** (Aeronautical) BEng and BEng (CDF) (Aeronautical)
- **Bachelor of Engineering** (Civil) BEng and BEng (CDF) (Civil)
- **Bachelor of Engineering** (Electrical) BEng and BEng (CDF) (Electrical)
- **Bachelor of Engineering** (Mechanical) BEng and BEng (CDF) (Mechanical)
- **Bachelor of Information Technology** BIT, BIT (CDF) and BIT (Hons)
- **Bachelor of Science** BSc, BSc (CDF) and BSc (Hons)
- **Bachelor of Technology** (Aeronautical) BTech and BTech (CDF) (Aeronautical)
- **Bachelor of Technology** (Aviation) BTech

A separate Honours year is available in the Bachelor of Arts, Business, IT and Science, subject to the requirements of the individual services.

In the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degree streams there are various specialisations available, including:

	ARTS	SCIENCE
Aviation		✓
Business	✓	
Chemistry		✓
Computer Science		✓
English	✓	
Geography	✓	✓
History	✓	
Indonesian	✓	
Information Systems		✓
Mathematics		✓
Oceanography		✓
Operations Research		✓
Physics		✓
International and Political Studies	✓	



WHAT TYPES OF JOBS CAN YOU OBTAIN WHEN YOU GRADUATE FROM ADFA?

One of the best things about training and studying at ADFA is that you are guaranteed a career in the Navy, Army or Air Force upon successful graduation, and the roles on offer are seemingly endless, from Engineering to Aviation or Logistics. Whatever you are passionate about, there's a career for you. If you would like to know more about the jobs on offer, call **13 19 01** or visit **defencejobs.gov.au**

ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS RECOGNISED OUTSIDE THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE?

Yes. You will graduate with a degree from UNSW. Not only that, your training will have you primed for a leadership role in whatever field you choose to specialise in. You'll know how to bring out the best in others and have the scope to make decisions – all qualities in high demand by industry leaders around the world.

WE'LL PAY YOU TO STUDY AT ADFA

At ADFA you will be paid to study for your degree. In your first year you will receive a salary package of \$38,956 (excluding superannuation) which increases with each year of study. We will also take care of all your HELP fees (previously known as HECS), medical and dental care and subsidise your accommodation. You will then be paid a salary package of more than \$80,000 per year after you graduate and complete your specific employment training.

THE ADFA EDUCATION AWARD

If you are currently studying Year 11, you could be eligible to apply for the ADFA Education Award. In recognition of leadership potential, and academic and sporting achievements, the most outstanding candidates who apply for the ADFA Education Award will be awarded a tablet device (or similar). Should you be successful, there is no obligation to join ADFA. To apply call **13 19 01** or visit **defencejobs.gov.au/adfa**. Conditions apply.

FINDING THE BALANCE BETWEEN WORK AND PLAY

Whilst training and studying at ADFA, you will live on campus, however you do have spare time to relax. ADFA is located in Canberra and offers an enormous range of leisure, sporting and adventure activities. There are opportunities to go skiing at Thredbo, yachting from ADFA's boat house on Lake Burley-Griffin, hang-gliding or scuba diving. Then again, if you are looking for team sports, ADFA also offers Australian Rules Football, rugby union, rugby league, netball, hockey, soccer, basketball and much more. ADFA also has a well-equipped indoor sports centre, including state-of-the-art weights and cardio equipment, an indoor swimming pool and indoor and outdoor sports courts.

In terms of on-campus facilities, you will find ADFA offers banking, a bookshop, coffee shop, dry cleaning and a hairdresser. The other big plus about ADFA is if you wish to go home in your mid year or end of year breaks, ADFA will pay for your travel costs twice per year.



WHAT ARE THE STEPS IN APPLYING TO JOIN ADFA?

1. Enquiry / Application

To enquire or apply for ADFA call **13 19 01** or visit **defencejobs.gov.au/adfa**. You can book directly into a Your Opportunities Unlimited (YOU) session that is held at your local Defence Force Recruiting Centre. You will be sent application forms, which you will need to complete and bring with you to the session. As it is a competitive process, which can take up to 12 months, it is preferable that you apply in Year 11.

2. Your Opportunities Unlimited (YOU) Session

After applying you will attend a YOU session at your local Defence Force Recruiting Centre. This session will provide you with information about ADFA and career advice from an ADF Careers Counsellor. To make sure you can handle the intellectual and training demands of ADFA, you will also undertake an aptitude test. An ADF Careers Counsellor will explain what to expect.

3. Assessment Day

After the YOU session you will be booked into an Assessment Day where you will undergo a Psychological Interview, a Medical Assessment and a Defence Interview. Your ADF Careers Counsellor will contact you prior to the Assessment Day to make sure you know enough about the job and the Service you hope to join.

4. Officer Selection Board

The Officer Selection Board (OSB) consists of a series of activities designed to test attributes like leadership, teamwork and other individual abilities considered critical to the role you have applied for. You will undergo a formal interview conducted by a panel of military

officers and a psychologist. The OSB activity comprises of a four-day trip to Canberra, which will include a tour of ADFA and the Australian War Memorial. Acceptance into ADFA is then dependent on your final Year 12 results and successful admission into UNSW.

5. University Application

Once you make it through the OSB process, you will need to submit an application to the Universities Admission Centre (UAC) in NSW, listing your UNSW Canberra - ADFA degree as your number one preference. If you are successful and meet the UNSW admission requirements, Defence Force Recruiting and the Universities Admissions Centre will contact you in relation to accepting your offer into ADFA. You will then need to advise Defence Force Recruiting of your intent to accept the offer and complete an online acceptance process for UNSW.

6. Fitness Test

All candidates who have received a Letter of Offer for appointment or enlistment must undergo a Physical Fitness Assessment (PFA) prior to entry. This includes the Multistage Fitness Test (or shuttle run) to measure your aerobic capacity. The aim of the PFA is to determine if you are at a sufficient level of fitness to safely commence training.

ELIGIBILITY

To apply, you should be in at least Year 11 at school, and undertaking a tertiary package or have completed Year 12 with an entrance rank that will qualify you for entry into UNSW. You must also be an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia. Other admission conditions apply.

LIKE TO KNOW MORE?

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