Pathways Programs to University

There are many different ways to get to the same destination, and that applies to university too. Sometimes students do not quite meet the entry criteria to go straight into a university course – maybe their ATAR was not high enough, or they did not attain the minimum study score in a prerequisite subject. The encouraging thing is that many universities have recommended pathway courses to degrees they offer. Below are some of these pathway schemes:

**ACUcom at the Australian Catholic University**

*ACUcom* is a department of the Australian Catholic University that delivers TAFE-level courses. These courses are complete qualifications but are also pathway programs into bachelor degrees at ACU. While the pathways are not guarantees, students who do well in the *ACUcom* courses are usually offered places in relevant bachelor programs. *ACUcom* courses are suited to students who –

- Want a TAFE level qualification
- Do not get the required ATAR to go straight into their chosen bachelor degree
- Want to use the TAFE to university pathway to a bachelor degree
- Want to try an area of study but are not sure they want to commit to a 3-year course

*ACUcom* offers three courses suitable for school leavers:

- **Diploma of Nursing** – (Pathway into Bachelor of Nursing)
- **Certificate in Exercise Science** – (Pathway into Bachelor of Exercise Science)
- **Certificate III in Educational Support** – (Pathway into Bachelor of Education)

For more information on these courses, the cost and how to apply email *acucom.melbourne@acu.edu.au* or call (03) 9953 3321.

**Box Hill Institute Pathways to ACU and Deakin University**

Box Hill Institute places a strong emphasis on providing students with practical knowledge in their chosen area of study, preparing students for further study at *Australian Catholic University (ACU)* and *Deakin University* and beyond.

For a list of **guaranteed pathway courses** to ACU from Box Hill Institute visit [Guaranteed Pathways from BHI to ACU](#)

For a list of **guaranteed pathway courses** to Deakin University from Box Hill Institute visit [Guaranteed Pathways from BHI to Deakin University](#)

**Deakin College to Deakin University**

*Deakin College* (formerly known as MIBT) is a direct pathway to Deakin University, providing students with the experience that supports successful transition to further studies at the University. *Deakin College* offers:
Diploma programs in Commerce, Computing, Engineering, Health Sciences, Management, Media and Communication, and Science which lead into second year Bachelor degrees at Deakin University.

**Deakin College** courses are conducted on three Deakin University campuses in Victoria: Melbourne Burwood Campus, Geelong Waterfront Campus and Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus. Being located on campus enables students to access and enjoy all facilities and services, creating a smoother transition to their degree at Deakin.

Find out more by browsing **Deakin College**

- **Guaranteed Pathways from TAFE to Deakin University**

  The **Deakin Pathways Program** seeks to encourage increased participation in higher education, as well as providing a supported student transition to higher education through supported VET programs. These pathways provide students with a seamless transition from TAFE Diplomas / Advanced Diplomas to Deakin University degrees.

  For further details in regards to the Deakin Pathways Program visit [Deakin Pathways Program](#). Alternatively, email [pathways@deakin.edu.au](mailto:pathways@deakin.edu.au) for assistance or further advice!

- **La Trobe Melbourne to La Trobe University**

  **La Trobe Melbourne** is an alternative entry option to La Trobe University and provides a complete university experience within a personal and supportive environment and a fast-track pathway to an extensive range of degree options.

  La Trobe Melbourne offers a range of Diploma courses, which are equivalent to La Trobe University's first year bachelor degree. Upon successful completion, students enter second year of their Bachelor Degree, choosing a degree from the university's five faculties.

  Programs include:
  - Diploma of Bioscience
  - Diploma of Business
  - Diploma of Health Sciences
  - Diploma of Information Technology
  - Diploma of Mass Media & Communications

  Find out more at [La Trobe Melbourne](#)

- **Monash College to Monash University**

  A **Monash College** Diploma offers a direct pathway into second year at Monash University. Five diplomas are on offer that can lead students to a number of Monash University degree course in arts, art, design and architecture, business, engineering and science. Students should note that entry requirements into Monash College and Monash University do apply.

  Find out more at [Monash College](#)
Monash University – Pathway Options

1. Diploma of Tertiary Studies (DoTs)

The Diploma of Tertiary Studies (DoTs) is designed as an alternative pathway to university study. The one-year full-time course is particularly suited to students requiring additional learning support in their first year of study. The DoTS pathway equips students with the skills to write essays, undertake research, solve problems, think critically, develop projects, and communicate their ideas more effectively. This pathway opportunity is offered at the Peninsula campus and the Berwick campus of Monash University. Providing a direct pathway to Monash University, successful completion of DoTS allows students to apply to progress to the second year of a number of Monash University degrees. When applying for DoTS, students will have the flexibility to choose a stream that interests them from Business, Education or Nursing. It is this stream that forms the first year of their degree, and determines which Monash University degree they can pathway into. Students with a minimum ATAR of 50 and who attain a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL are eligible to apply. Visit DoTS to find out more!

2. Diploma of Higher Education (DoHE)

The Diploma of Higher Education (DoHE) is designed for students who want to study a Bachelor course in science, inclusive of mathematics or related areas at Monash University, but did not get the ATAR they need, or they did not quite meet the entry requirements for entry, having perhaps missed a prerequisite, particularly mathematics. On successful completion of this one-year, full-time course, students can apply to enter the second year in several mathematics and science courses, and gain credit for the subjects they have already studied. The Diploma of Higher Education is offered at the Clayton campus. Students with a minimum ATAR of 65 and who attain a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL are eligible to apply. Visit DoHE to find out more!

UniLink Diplomas: Pathway to a Degree at Swinburne University

UniLink diplomas are an option for students who miss direct entry to a degree or who would benefit from a more supportive style of learning. They are equivalent to the first year of university and can provide a pathway to the second year of a related Swinburne University bachelor degree. Students who successfully complete their diploma course are guaranteed a place in a range of business, information and communication technologies (ICT), and science degrees.

UniLink diplomas are available in the areas of:

- business
- design
- engineering
- information technology

Students wishing to undertake a UniLink course can apply through VTAC and must attain an ATAR of approximately 50 to be eligible for consideration. For more information about the range of UniLink courses on offer, visit UniLink.