



WAAPA Dance Applications – Audition Information

After receiving your application and payment you will be contacted by post and given the appointment details for your audition. You can download a timetable of the auditions held around Australia from the WAAPA website (waapa.ecu.edu.au). If you cannot attend the audition near or in your city you should indicate this on the slip at the bottom of the letter. The Dance Department will accept DVD auditions from those who are unable to attend in person though you must carefully follow the instructions provided on the website for download.

Completing the application form

Please ensure you complete the application form completely and thoroughly. The application form asks you to provide details of your secondary (school) studies and any other study completed (TAFE, university etc) done previously. Please complete this section carefully and include transcripts where available. We understand that many applicants are studying Year 12 and do not yet have results to attach. In this case please write "sitting year 12 this year" and indicate if you are sitting university entrance examinations or not. Your latest school report will suffice until your final results are available. Please read the section over the page referring to Bachelor of Arts offers.

The audition

You should arrive 30 minutes before the start time so you can prepare yourself to start class on time.

Applicants for all courses will be required to participate in a classical and modern class. Bachelor of Arts applicants will need to have their one minute solo performance ready with the accompanying music. **Bachelor applicants should already have sent a 300 word paper on why they wish to study at WAAPA and what they hope to do after graduating to the Admissions Officer prior to the audition.** If you did not attach this with your application, please email it to educationandarts@ecu.edu.au.

Clothing requirements for the classes are; tights with feet; footless tights; leotards; soft shoes and; pointe shoes if you are participating in the pointe class (applicants unfamiliar with pointe work should not attempt this part of the audition).

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The audition session is listed as being 5 hours long. It is difficult to predict how long the process will take and you should be prepared to be flexible with finish times. This is particularly true for the Bachelor applicants who need to perform their solo piece as well as being interviewed individually. BA and ADPA applicants who get interviewed early may be released before the predicted 5 hour time span. We regret that it is possible we may run behind schedule.

Notification of audition results

When the audition tour is completed, we will process the results as soon as possible and inform you by post. It will take about a month. The letter we send out to those who were successful in the audition is not a formal offer; it will inform you of your success and ask you to return the slip at the bottom of the letter indicating if you want to receive a formal offer from us. Official offers will be sent out just before Christmas and will include instructions on how to go online to accept your formal offer and set up your enrolment.

Important information regarding Bachelor of Arts (Dance) offers: Applicants who are successful in the audition process for the Bachelor course will receive a letter informing them that subject to University entrance requirements (These requirements include a minimum ATAR score and a pass in Year 12 English). Edith Cowan University will make them a formal offer should they wish to receive one. We cannot make a formal offer until we have seen your Year 12 results (ATAR, TER, UAI, OP, etc). If you sat Year 12 university entrance subjects this year then as soon as you receive them you must send me a certified copy (photocopy stamped & signed by pharmacist, JP, CD etc) of your results including the entrance score. We will not be able to send you a formal (confirmed) offer until we have received and assessed these results.

Student accommodation

If you wish to stay at student housing you must make a separate application to the Student Housing office at Edith Cowan University (<http://www.ecu.edu.au/fas/village>). **Do not wait until you are informed of your audition result or you have made up your mind whether you wish to come to WAAPA before applying.** Places are very limited and to have the best chance of success you should apply straightaway regardless of your current intentions.

I hope this information assists you. Please email the Faculty of Education & Arts Student Information Office with any queries.



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