

Schools Access La Trobe (SALT) 2010

Information for schools

What is SALT?

The Schools Access La Trobe (SALT) Scheme enables students from selected schools to apply for entry into a degree program at La Trobe University based on school recommendation.

SALT is a category of VTAC Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS), and comes under Category 7 – Under-represented Schools.

SALT is an **early offer scheme**, with students receiving conditional offers in late November / early December 2009, prior to VCE / HSC results coming out.

Which schools participate in SALT?

SALT is only available to selected schools. Schools have been invited to participate in SALT based on:

- their proximity to a La Trobe University campus and either
- the proportion of their Year 12 cohort enrolling at university has averaged 50% or less over the past two years (as defined by 'on-track' survey data in Victoria or similar data in NSW) or
- the school is in a low socio-economic status area as defined by ASES postcodes.

Participating schools are listed at: www.latrobe.edu.au/access

Who can apply for entry through SALT?

Any student attending a SALT school is eligible to apply.

What do schools have to do?

For VTAC applicants:

1. Nominate a SALT co-ordinator and advise Year 12 students who this is.
2. Nominate a closing date for receiving SALT applications from students.
3. Receive SALT application forms and coversheets from each applicant.
4. Use a spreadsheet to be provided by La Trobe University to list and assess each application, ranking them from 1 to 7.
5. Submit the SALT application and coversheet on behalf of the student/s to VTAC. The forms must be received at VTAC by 5pm on October 9, 2009.
6. Submit the completed spreadsheet to La Trobe University by 5pm on October 9, 2009.

For UAC applicants

1. Nominate a SALT co-ordinator and advise Year 12 students who this is.
2. Nominate a closing date for receiving SALT applications from students.
3. Receive SALT application forms from each applicant.

4. Use a spreadsheet to be provided by La Trobe University to list and assess each application, ranking them from 1 to 7.
5. Submit the SALT applications and spreadsheet to La Trobe University by 5pm on October 9, 2009.

How do students apply?

Students applying through VTAC:

1. Complete a VTAC application, listing the SALT course in their preferences
2. Tick 'yes' to applying for SEAS Category 7, in the SEAS online section
3. Download and complete a SEAS Category 7 Under-represented schools' form by the due date set by their school. This form is on the VTAC website
4. Download and complete the La Trobe University SALT cover sheet, accessible via the VTAC MyInfo in the 'SEAS Application & Information section' or via CourseLink
5. Submit SALT application and coversheet to their school Principal (or other person nominated by the school) by the school's closing date.

Students applying through UAC:

1. Complete a UAC application, listing the SALT course in their preferences
2. Download and complete a SALT application form, available from www.latrobe.edu.au/access
3. Submit the SALT application to the school Principal (or other person nominated by the school) by your school's closing date

Note: Students must apply either through VTAC or UAC and NOT both

Does SALT apply to all La Trobe University courses?

No. SALT places are *only available in selected courses*. The courses are listed on [www/latrobe.edu.au/access](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/access)

How many courses can students apply for in the SALT scheme?

Students can apply for **one course** through SALT, and this course must be included in their VTAC/UAC preferences. Of course, students can apply for up to 12 courses through VTAC and 9 through the NSW admission system UAC.

How will students be selected?

The University may make a conditional offer of a place taking into account:

- School recommendation
- The student's application
- The school's university entrance rates over the past two years
- Other SEAS information

Conditional offer of a place

If a student is made a conditional offer, then provided they:

- Satisfy prerequisites and extra requirements (if any)
- Meet the requirements of the VCE/HSC
- Meet the minimum ENTER for the course (if required)

they will automatically be offered a place in round 1 selection in January 2009, **unless** they are offered a place in a course either at La Trobe or elsewhere which is higher on their preference list than the SALT course.

SALT applicants who are not offered a conditional place in November will still be considered through normal selection processes in January 2009.

Students who receive a conditional offer of a SALT place in a course, and who do not receive a round 1 offer, may still receive a later round offer for that course. Students may, of course, still receive offers for other courses.

Can students apply for other categories of SEAS?

Yes. Students applying for entry through SALT are able to apply for consideration under any other SEAS category.

SALT Outcomes

La Trobe University will advise each school in writing of the outcomes of SALT applications from their students. We will tell you who did or did not receive a conditional offer. This letter will be sent to schools at the same time as we are writing to applicants to advise them of the outcome of their application.

Questions?

Contact the Future Students Centre

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