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How to Apply

1. Enquiry

Applicants who have questions about studying at Collarts or seeking course advice prior to making an application, can contact the Recruitment Team using one of the following methods:

Telephone:	1300 818 777 (+613 9281 8888)
Online:	Collarts Application Form
In Person:	Wellington St Campus: 208 Wellington Street, Collingwood, Victoria, 3066 Australia

All course enquiries are handled by the Recruitment Team in consultation with the Program Leader who is available to provide any specific course advice.

2. Application

Applications to study at Collarts can be made directly or via the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC).

- **Via Direct Application:** Complete the Online Application Form which can be accessed via the college website at [Collarts Application Form](#)
- **Through VTAC:** Complete the VTAC Application Form, which can be accessed via www.vtac.edu.au.

All written supporting statements, together with the relevant evidentiary documents, should be submitted at the time of application, but if not possible then at the time of interview.

3. Informal Interview

All applications are processed by the Recruitment Team who issue an acknowledgement of receipt and schedule a short informal interview. The interview is intended to assess the applicant's aptitude and understanding of the chosen course of study.

4. Evidence of Educational Qualifications

Applicants must present evidence of completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (or equivalent) or past qualifications and academic records as applicable.

Applicants must provide their evidence as either original documents or certified copies of original documents. Original documents will be copied by Collarts staff and the original returned to the applicant. Copies must be certified by persons authorised under the 1993 No. 156 Statutory Declarations Regulations (Schedule 2). All qualifications will be verified for authenticity:

- Senior Secondary Certificates are accepted from all Australian jurisdictions.
- International Baccalaureates will be checked against authorised schools in the Online Country Index.
- Australian qualifications will be checked against the [National Register of Higher Education Providers](#) and [National Register of VET](#)
- Overseas qualifications will be checked using the Australia Education International, National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition Database (Country Education Profiles Online known as CEP Online)

Applicants may also be asked to provide evidence of English Language Proficiency Scores.

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5. 100 Point ID Check

As part of the admission process, applicants are required to provide evidence of identity by completing a 100-point ID check. To complete the check, applicants must provide at least one primary document in combination with secondary documents to total 100 points. The combination of documents must include a date of birth, current residential address, photograph and signature. Table 2 below lists the acceptable evidence of identity and points value allocated.

EVIDENCE OF IDENTITY TABLE		
Document Type	Document	Points
Primary Documents At least ONE primary document.	Australian Birth Certificate	70
	Passport (Australian or International)	70
	Citizenship Certificate	70
Secondary Documents Allowed to use a combination of secondary documents. If you want to use credit and savings account cards, these must be from different banks. If you want to use more than one utility bill, they must be from different utilities.	Current Australian Driver's Licence	40
	Current Australian Learner Driver's Licence	40
	Current Australian Boat Operator's Photo Licence	40
	Current Australian State or Territory Proof of Age Photo Card	40
	Department of Veterans Affairs Card	25
	Centrelink Card	25
	Property (Council) Rates Notice	25
	Property Lease Agreement	25
	Utility Bill (e.g. Water, Electricity, Gas)	25
	Telephone Account	25
	Credit Cards, Savings Accounts Cards or Bank Statements	25
	Medicare Card	25
	Motor Vehicle Registration or Insurance Documents	25

Table 2: Acceptable 100 Point ID Items for Evidence of Identity

6. Assessment

Completed applications are assessed against the relevant Admission Criteria as outlined in this policy and successful applicants are sent a formal Letter of Offer for a place at Collarts.

7. Letter of Offer

The Letter of Offer is a formal written agreement outlining the contractual arrangements between the student and Collarts that confirms the course of enrolment, duration, campus location, and course-related fees and identifies policies associated with the protection of their rights as a consumer.

Enrolment

Acceptance of Offer

The Letter of Offer requests that applicants carefully read through the document to ensure their personal and intended course of enrolment details are correct and that they understand the conditions of enrolment at Collarts. If the applicants have any questions or concerns, they are encouraged to make contact with the Recruitment Team to clarify before accepting their offer to study.

To formally accept their offered place, applicants are required complete, sign and return the *Agreement Acceptance Declaration* at Section D of the Letter of Offer.

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Confirmation of Enrolment

On completion of the enrolment process, the Registrar will issue an Enrolment Confirmation with details of their Orientation Program. The Orientation Program is compulsory for all students to attend. It is held at the commencement of each trimester to welcome all new students and provide them with information to support their transition to tertiary studies.

Course Credit & Recognition of Prior Learning

Applicants from other providers may be eligible for unit exemption in recognition of prior learning from other providers. This could result in course credit via the grade of 'Advanced Standing' (AS).

Recognition of Prior Learning is an assessment process used to determine the extent to which a student has achieved the required learning outcomes of a unit of study. Where course credit is granted, the student is exempt from attending that particular unit in order to complete their qualification. The maximum number of units for which exemption may be granted is 50% of the total credit points for the course.

An '*Application for Course Credit*' can be downloaded from the Enrolment Resources section of the college website. Applications should be submitted at the time of enrolment (or application to study) where possible. Failing this, applications should be lodged with the Office of the Registrar ten days prior to the trimester's Commencement Date, but no later than five working days before the trimester's Census Date.

For more information on how to make an application for course credit in recognition of prior learning, please refer to the college **Course Credit Policy**.

Deferment

Where a student wishes to defer their enrolment and delay their commencement of study date, the student must lodge an '*Application to Defer the Commencement of Study*' form outlining the reasons for the request. An '*Application to Defer the Commencement of Study*' form can be provided by contacting the Office of the Registrar on 1300 818 777.

For more information on how to make an application to defer, please refer to the college **Deferral, Suspension or Cancellation of Enrolment Policy**.

Fees

The indicative tuition fees for each course of study at Collarts can be found at the '*Fees*' tab for the respective course under the FAQs section of the college website.

Students must meet the liability for tuition fees by Census Date each trimester, having either:

- a) paid in full all tuition fees upfront
- b) paid part of their tuition fees upfront and deferred the balance through FEE-HELP assistance
- c) deferred their entire tuition fee liability through FEE-HELP assistance

FEE-HELP Loan Assistance

Domestic students, who do not wish to pay their tuition fees upfront, may have access to the Government FEE-HELP loan assistance plan to pay their fees. FEE-HELP is available to full-time and part-time domestic students enrolled in a course of study in at Collarts.

Students who are, or would be entitled to FEE-HELP assistance have until Census Date to submit a '*FEE-HELP Form*' which can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Registrar on 1300 818 777. The '*FEE-HELP Information Booklet*' and the '*FEE-HELP Student Brochure*' provide additional information and can be downloaded from the college website.

For further information about the FEE-HELP Loan Scheme, please visit the FAQs section of our website.

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Fee Refunds

The College fee refund policies outline the grounds by which a student may be eligible for a refund of course tuition fees. However, Collarts may, in its absolute discretion, grant a partial or full refund where they determine there are extenuating or compassionate circumstances. Each student acknowledges and agrees to the terms of the College refund policy when signing the *Student Acceptance* document contained in their Letter of Offer to study at Collarts.

If a student cancels (withdraws) or defers their enrolment they must do so before the relevant Census Date to avoid incurring academic and financial penalty. Refunds will not be made for trimester fees once the Census Date of that trimester has passed, unless there are deemed to be extenuating or compassionate circumstances.

For more information about tuition fee refunds and re-crediting a FEE-HELP balance, please refer to the ***Tuition Fee Refund Policy for Domestic Students*** and the ***Deferral, Suspension and Cancellation of Enrolment Policy***. If you have any questions about tuition fee refunds or deferring your enrolment, please contact the Office of the Registrar on 1300 818 777.

Grievance & Appeals

All students or prospective students seeking to enrol in a course of study at Collarts are entitled to access the grievance procedures set out in the college ***Grievance & Appeals Policy for Non-Academic Matters***, regardless of the campus location, their place of residence or the mode in which they intend to study. The policy establishes the principles and processes by which Collarts will investigate, hear and determine grievances to ensure a fair and equitable outcome with regard for college rules, the TEQSA Threshold Standards 2015, and the *Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Act 2000*.

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Student Profile

Table 3 below gives an indication of the likely peer cohort for new students at Collarts. It provides data on students who commenced undergraduate study and passed the Census Date in the most relevant recent intake period for which data is available, including those admitted through via direct application, all offer rounds through a Tertiary Admissions Centre, across all campuses, and international students studying in Australia.

STUDENT PROFILE 2018		
Applicant Background	Number of Students	Percentage of All Students
A. Applicants with Recent Secondary Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admitted solely on the basis of ATAR <i>regardless of whether this includes the impact of adjustment factors such as equity or bonus points</i> Admitted where both ATAR and additional criteria were considered <i>for example portfolio of work, audition, extra test, early offer conditional on minimum ATAR</i> Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was not a factor <i>for example special consideration, audition alone, school recommendation scheme with no minimum ATAR requirement</i> 	0 0 231	0% 0% 51%
B. Applicants with Vocational Education & Training (VET) Study	2	1%
C. Applicants with Higher Education Study <i>includes bridging courses, and internal articulation by credit transfer</i>	22	5%
D. Applicants with Work & Life Experience	180	40%
International Students	14	3%
All Students	449	100%

Table 3: Student Profile for 2018 YTD

Where to get further information

TEQSA National Register <http://www.teqsa.gov.au/national-register>

QILT <https://www.qilt.edu.au/>

Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre <http://www.vtac.edu.au/>

Approvals:

Next Policy Review Cycle: December 2019

As part of the college Policy Review Cycle, this policy was approved by the Teaching & Learning Committee at the meeting of 6 December 2016 and ratified by the Academic Board at the meeting of 14 December 2016. Updated 30 August 2017 as part of the Australian Government "Improving the transparency of higher education admissions" Initiative. Updated by Bridget Haylock 22 May 2019 to include Bachelor of Design (Fashion & Sustainability) information, Student Profile for 2018 YTD data table. Updated English proficiency scores by Bridget Haylock 17 July 2019