Talented in design, creative thinking and creative making?
UNSW Built Environment recognises that your ATAR or equivalent may not reflect your potential in creative thinking and making. Show us your current creative skills, personality and your ability to think and make by submitting a portfolio. This will be used to assess your potential and suitability to study at UNSW Built Environment.

What should you include in your portfolio?
Your portfolio submission should be a selection of your best creations and should be a combination of where your creative skills and imagination come together. Portfolios can come in many formats and contain a variety of work, including items such as photography, design work, drawing, painting, sculpture, online works, digital art, conceptual art, animation, websites, video work.

Suggested length: 5x A4, PDF submission, please include any links to personal websites, videos or multimedia.

Note: it is essential that the portfolio itself and all the work in it has been created by you. A short statement may also accompany each work(s) within your portfolio. This short statement may describe; the work and the context of this work (i.e. for a school, competition or personal project).

Top Tip on structure/content:
Show your process work and convey your narrative

The end product is not always what’s important. We value creative thinking and iterative process’, so show us how you arrived at your final work.
What idea did you start with? How have you explored this idea and developed the idea to reach the final product? How are you showing this information visually?

How can you show your work visually?
Techniques here may include early sketches of ideas, short written extracts, drawings, process modelling, and any form of experiment that you can document visually to show your process and explain your narrative from idea – product.

Key attributes we are looking for at Built Environment:

• Critical thinker with a curious mind
• Creative potential and passion for design
• We are not looking for highly developed skills, that’s what your degree will provide you
• Creativity, innovation, critical thinking, strong communication and problem solving skills.

Need more information?
Contact UNSW Access and Equity (Students): unswgateway@unsw.edu.au
Learn more about Built Environment portfolio requirements on YouTube.