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TISC applications opening early

Curtin University, Edith Cowan University, Murdoch University and The University of Western Australia are conducting a trial of early conditional offers in Engineering courses to current Year 12 students.

To assist the universities in managing the trial, TISC will open its application portal earlier than usual, on Monday 4 July 2016. This will avoid the need for students to submit multiple applications, and provide them with the greatest level of choice and flexibility throughout the application process. It will also assist in monitoring, reporting on and evaluating the trial.

Applications for all courses will open on 4 July; however, only Engineering courses will be part of the early offer trial.

Despatches to schools

Next week, schools will receive batches of personalised letters for Year 12 students, to help them with the TISC application process. In previous years, these letters have been distributed in late July/early August, together with the printed TISC Guide; however, this year there will be two separate despatches. The printed version of the TISC Guide will be distributed at the usual time. Information on how to apply will be available on the TISC website when applications open.

Schools may choose whether to distribute the personalised letters immediately, or wait until the printed copies of the 2017 TISC Guide are received. If students wish to apply from 4 July, however, they will need to know their WACE Candidate Number, which is printed on the personalised letter.

Details to note

There is no obligation on students to participate in the trial. Students who choose not to participate, or who do not receive an early offer, will not be disadvantaged in any way during Main Round or Second Round offers.

Offers made during the trial will be conditional. Specific conditions will be made clear in the offer letter from the university concerned. Failure to satisfy the conditions will result in the conditional offer being withdrawn. However, students will still be considered for their other preferences in Main Round or Second Round offers.

Students are free to change their preferences at any time during the early offer trial, even if they have indicated their acceptance of that offer, so that their full range of choices is maintained leading into Main Round offers in January 2017. The standard rules surrounding acceptance/deferral of offers will apply for Main Round and Second Round offers.

No offers will be made to current Year 12 students during the WACE written examination period (31 October to 23 November).

Schools may be asked by students to provide letters advising their predicted ATAR and confirming their enrolment in appropriate English and prerequisite courses, where applicable.

Further information

The TISC website will provide further information on the early application and offer process, before applications open on 4 July.

Questions on details of individual universities' early offer schemes should be directed to the Future Students office of the respective institutions.

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