

What is the Educational Access Scheme (EAS)?

Sometimes, students are faced with circumstances beyond their control that adversely affect their study experience and final marks. Universities have always allowed for individual consideration of such circumstances in assessing people for entry to many of their courses.

Through TISC's Educational Access Scheme, you can now lodge a single, confidential application that can be considered by any of TISC's member universities.

What sort of situations does the EAS cover?

We've identified four broad categories of circumstances, to give you an idea of the kind of situations that could be considered by the universities. Also, because life doesn't always fit into neat categories, there's a further 'Other circumstances' category to pick up anything that isn't covered elsewhere.

See whether any of the following describe your circumstances:



School environment

For example: experiencing multiple relocations during schooling; attending a school where few students are interested in university study; attending a school in a rural or isolated area.



Financial circumstances

For example: family financial hardship; low socio-economic status background; needing to work excessive hours to support family income.



Family situation

For example: family disruption; death of a close family member or friend; lack of a supportive home study environment; supporting family member/s with illness/disability; indigenous background.



Personal health issues

For example: personal medical condition/disability; accidental injury.



Other circumstances

For example: difficult migrant passage; refugee/asylum seeker status; leaving foster care; any other circumstances not covered above.

How do I apply?

You can submit your EAS application after you have completed your initial TISC application and paid the processing fee. There is no separate fee for the EAS application but be aware of the EAS related deadlines for the TISC offer rounds.

To apply, log in with your TISC Number and click on *Educational Access Scheme* on the side menu.

What documentation will I need to provide?

You'll need to provide some documentation to support your application. This will include a recommendation from your school and your Year 11 and 12 school reports as well as a personal statement from you. You may also need to ask your doctor or other health professional to provide a report. Please do not provide personal character references or resumes as part of your application. Forms can be downloaded from the TISC website.

What about privacy?

We understand that you may need to provide sensitive information as part of your application. We will treat your application in the strictest confidence. Only a small number of authorised people at TISC and the universities will have access to your application and supporting documents.

Where do I get more information?

Go to the TISC website: www.tisc.edu.au, and follow the links from the home page.