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TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS SERVICE CENTRE
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Information for Year 12 students, 2026

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Who is TISC and what do we do?

- TISC calculates scaled scores and ATARs.
- We also broadly manage the undergraduate university admission process, particularly for WA Year 12s.
- We publish the TISC Guide and other brochures.
- We conduct information presentations – like this one – for school groups.
- We run the Skills for Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT).
- Owned by the four public universities but are a neutral body.
- Aim to enhance participation in Higher Education.

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Entry requirements

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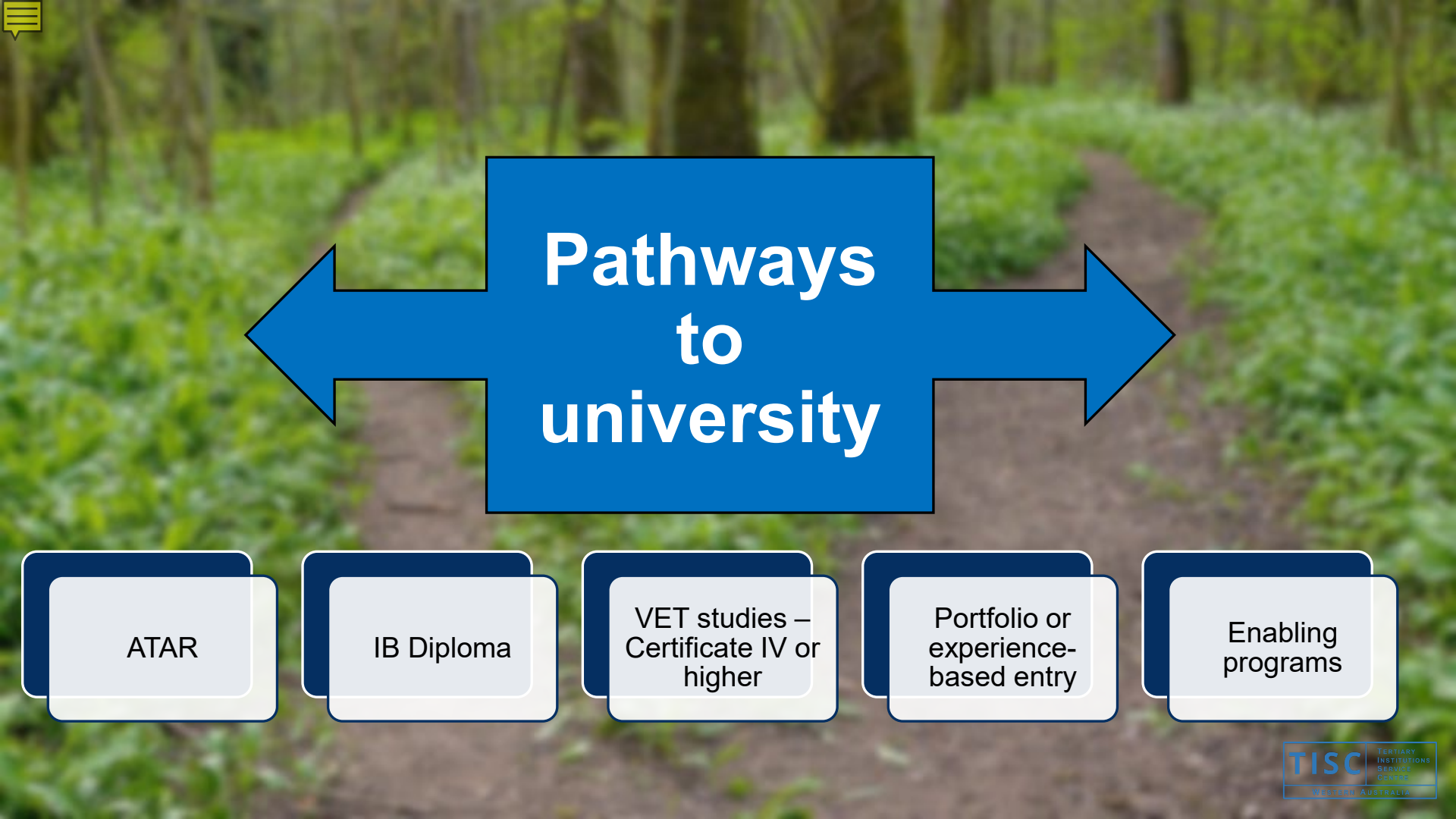
Pathways to university
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IB Diploma
VET studies – Certificate IV or higher
Portfolio or experience-based entry
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University Admission Requirements (WA Year 12 Students)

- WACE *or* IB Diploma
- English
- Prerequisites
- ATAR *or* Selection Rank *or* IB Admissions Score

English Language Competence (ELC)

ATAR English (or Literature or EALD)

Scaled score of 50.00 or higher – *ELC for all universities*

Near miss – TISC may **concede** ELC for one or more unis

Final school grade of C or higher – *Curtin, ECU and UWA*

Any result (with Yr 12 completion) – *Murdoch and Notre Dame*

If scaled score <50, will be invited to sit STAT in January for English competence.

General English (or Literature or EALD)

Any result (with Yr 12 completion) – *Murdoch and Notre Dame*

Final school grade of A – *Curtin and ECU*

UWA – you will need to have a letter giving you permission to sit STAT for English competence. You won't be permitted to sit before the WACE exams end.

English Language Competence for VET students

- AQF Diploma: will meet ELC for all WA universities
- AQF Certificate IV **plus** ATAR English (or Literature or EALD):
  - Will meet ELC for Murdoch and Notre Dame
  - Will meet ELC for Curtin and ECU if you get a final school grade of C or higher *or* a final scaled score of 50.00 or higher.
  - Will meet ELC for UWA if you get a final school grade of C or higher *or* achieve a final scaled score of 50.00 or higher – but may not meet their minimum entry requirements – contact UWA for details.
  - Will be able to book STAT Written English in January if ELC not achieved.

English Language Competence for VET students

- AQF Certificate IV **plus** General English (or Literature or EALD)
  - Will meet ELC for Murdoch and Notre Dame.
  - Will meet ELC for ECU's Experience Based Entry Scheme if your final school grade is A.
  - Will meet ELC for Curtin if your final school grade is A (or B for Portfolio Entry).
  - Will not meet ELC for UWA.
  - You may be permitted to sit STAT Written English after the completion of WACE exams to meet ELC for Curtin and ECU.
  - If you want to study at UWA, you will need *written permission* from UWA to sit the full STAT.

English Language Competence – Enabling Programs

- In most cases, successful completion of a university enabling program (eg UniReady, UniPrep Schools, UniPath, TLC Learning for Tomorrow or FlexiTrack High) will also satisfy university English competence requirements.
- There may be some exceptions – TISC recommends checking with the university where you wish to study for confirmation.
- If you don’t meet ELC via your enabling program, the requirements for ATAR/General English will still apply.

International Baccalaureate (IB)

- To apply for university in WA, register as a new user on TISCOnline.
- Declare your IB studies under the Secondary Studies question (choose “IB” as your location, not “WA”)
- It’s important to give us your correct IB personal code (format abc123)
- Check with your school IB DP Co-Ordinator that your results will be released to TISC.
- We expect IB students to be included in Main Round offers again this year.

What's an IB Admissions Score?

- Your IB score is reported as a whole number (max. 45).
- However, you will also receive a *finer-grained conversion* to an **IB Admissions Score (IBAS)**. This utilises more data points to give a more accurate picture of your performance within the IB score band.
- Tertiary Admission Centres (TACs) like TISC will then convert these to a **Combined Rank** according to an agreed national schedule.
- The Admissions Requirements brochure for IB students gives more information.
- If you **apply through TISC**, TISC will inform you of your IBAS.

What's an IB Admissions Score?

Conversions are examples only.

Old system			*Using IBAS*		
37 (**high** in each subject band)	→	**94.90**	37 (**high** in each subject band)	→	**95.45**
37 (**average to above average** in each subject band)	→	**94.90**	37 (**average to above average** in each subject band)	→	**95.20**
37 (**below average** in each subject band)	→	**94.90**	37 (**below average** in each subject band)	→	**94.90**
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The ATAR

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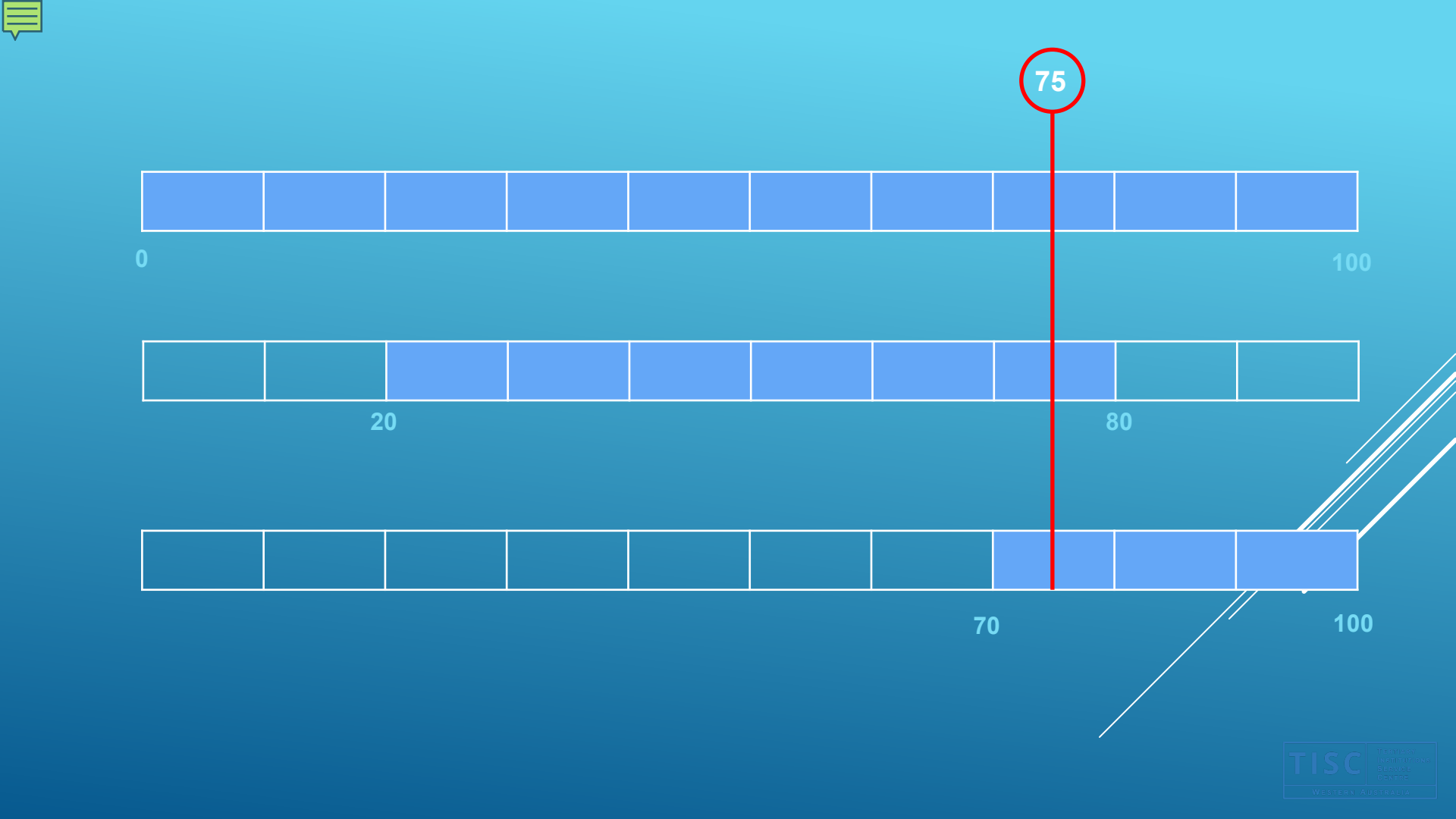
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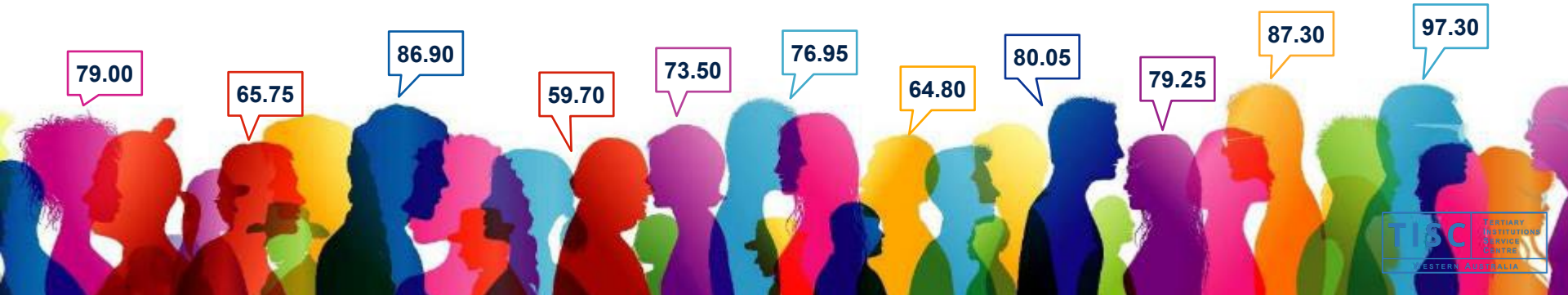
ATAR

Australian Tertiary Admission Rank

A way to compare the results of thousands of students for university entry purposes.

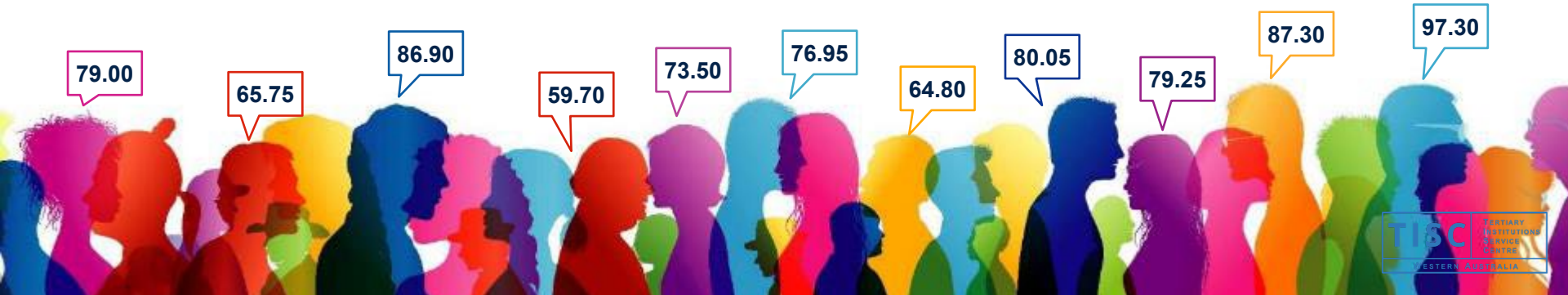
Rank position in the total WA Year 12 school leaving age population.

75.00 means you have performed better than 75% of all the Year 12 school leaving age people in WA.

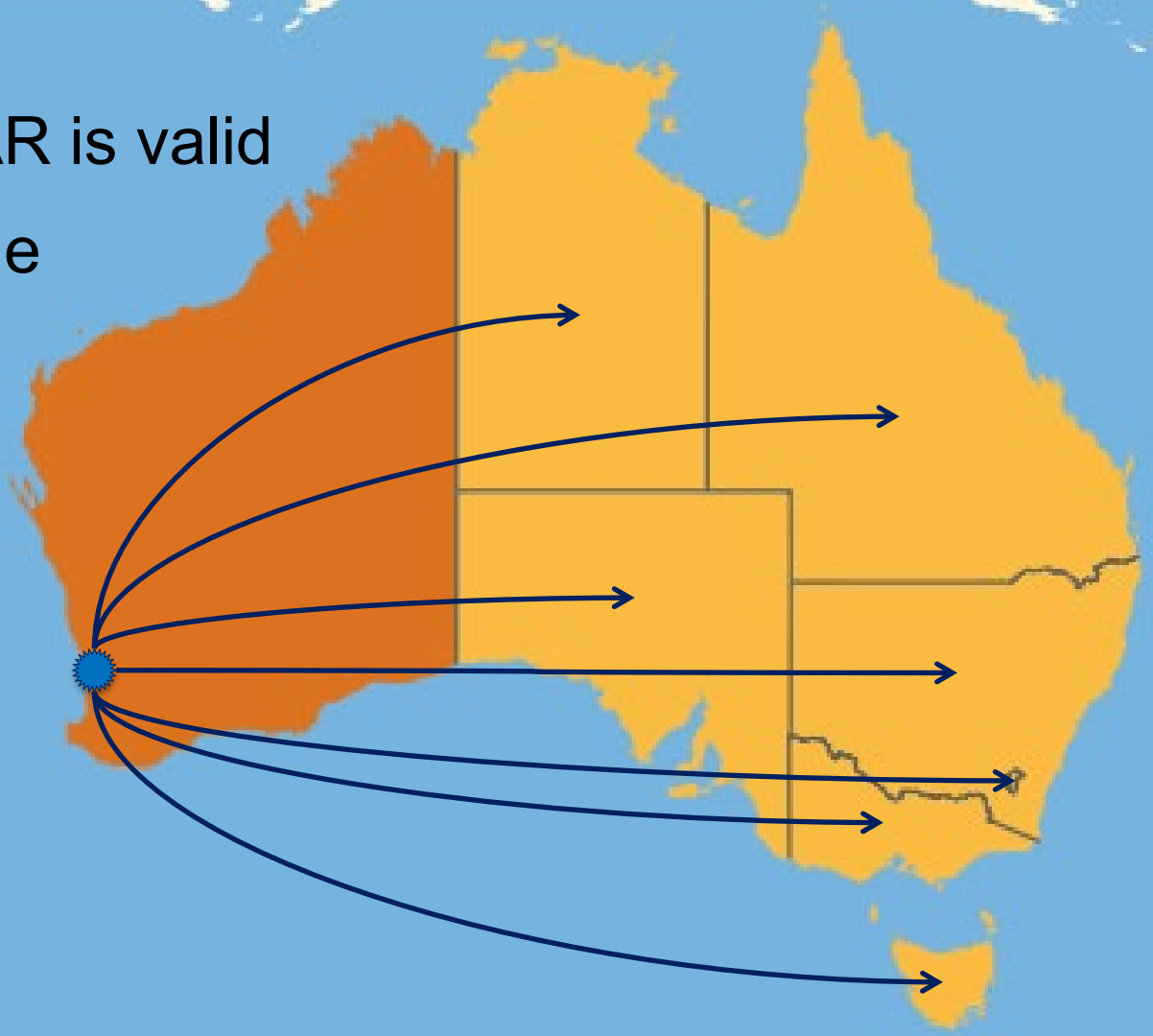


ATAR isn't the only selection tool.

- Interview
- Audition
- Test
- Portfolio
- School Recommendation



Your ATAR is valid across the country.



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From raw marks to scaled scores

84.7
76
99.2
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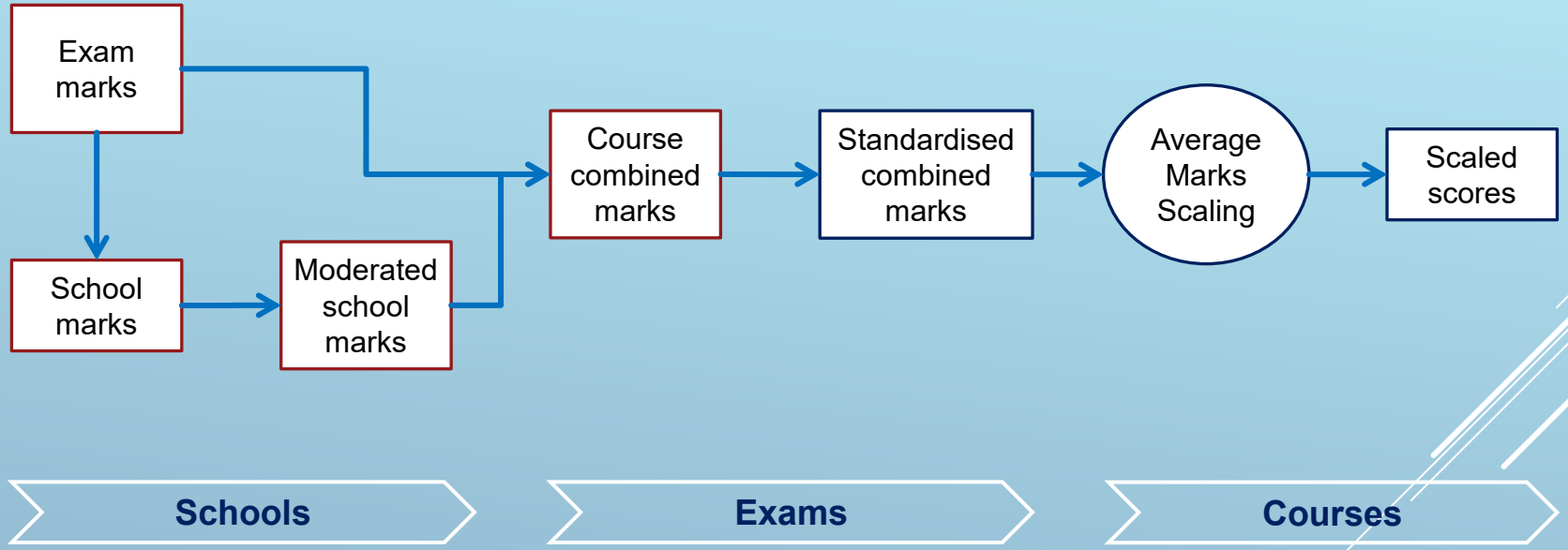
47.6
17.9
50.3

Marks adjustment processes

Context	Comparison
Schools	Moderation
Exams	Standardisation
Courses	Scaling

Marks adjustment processes



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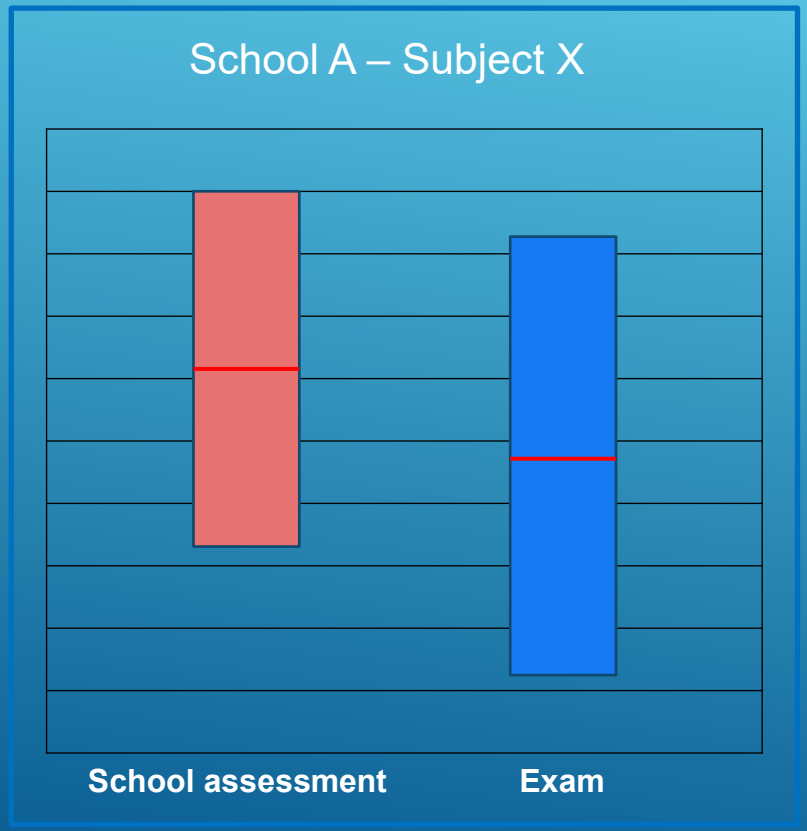
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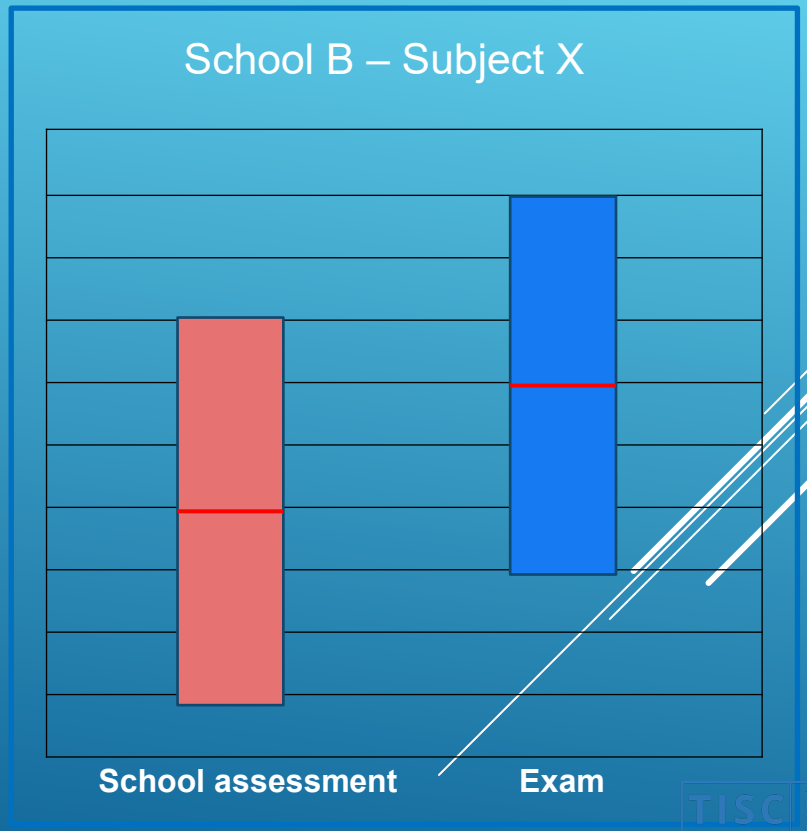
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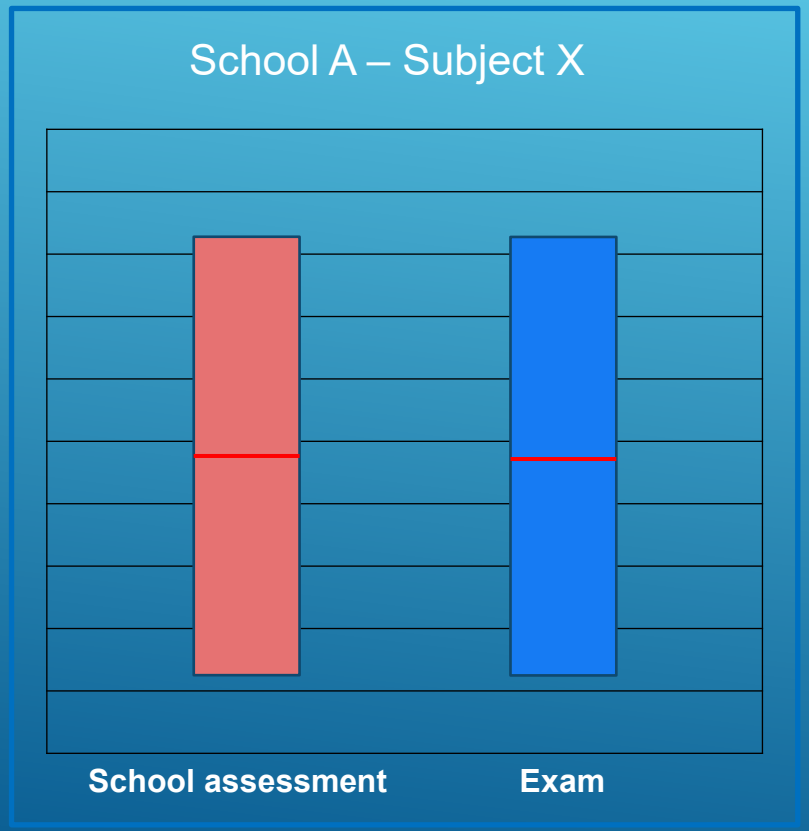
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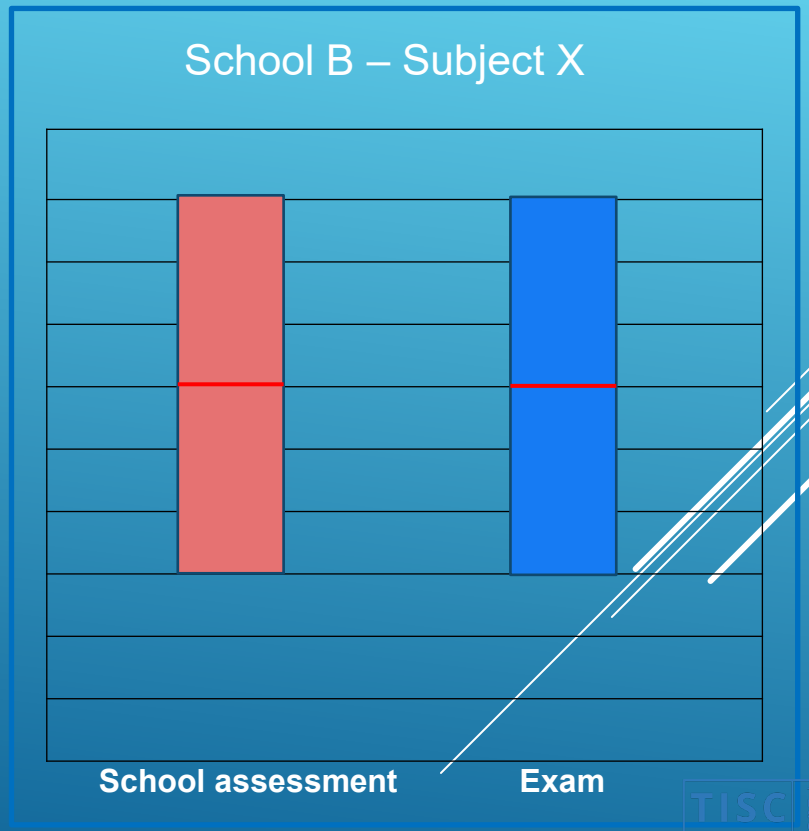
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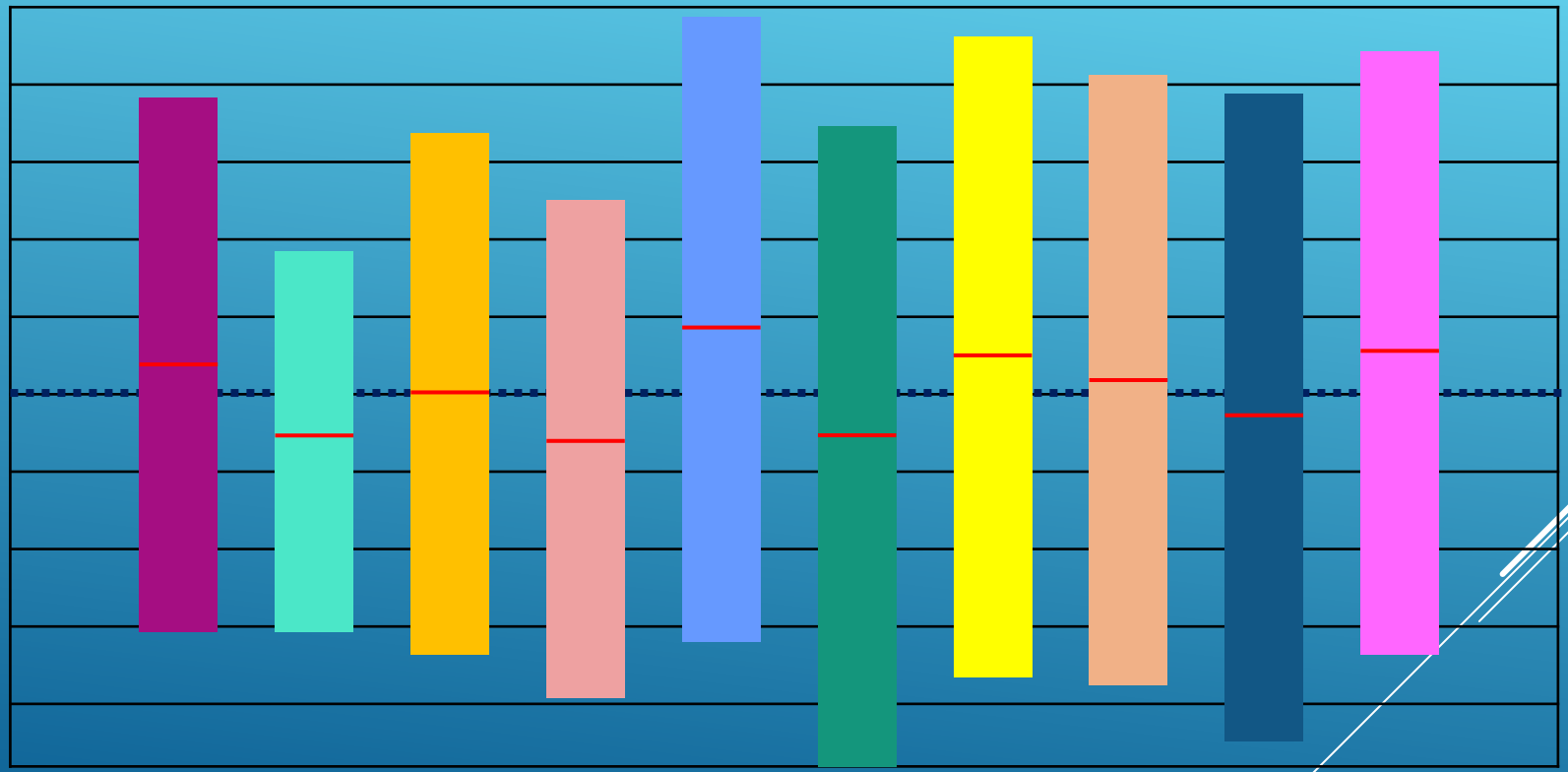

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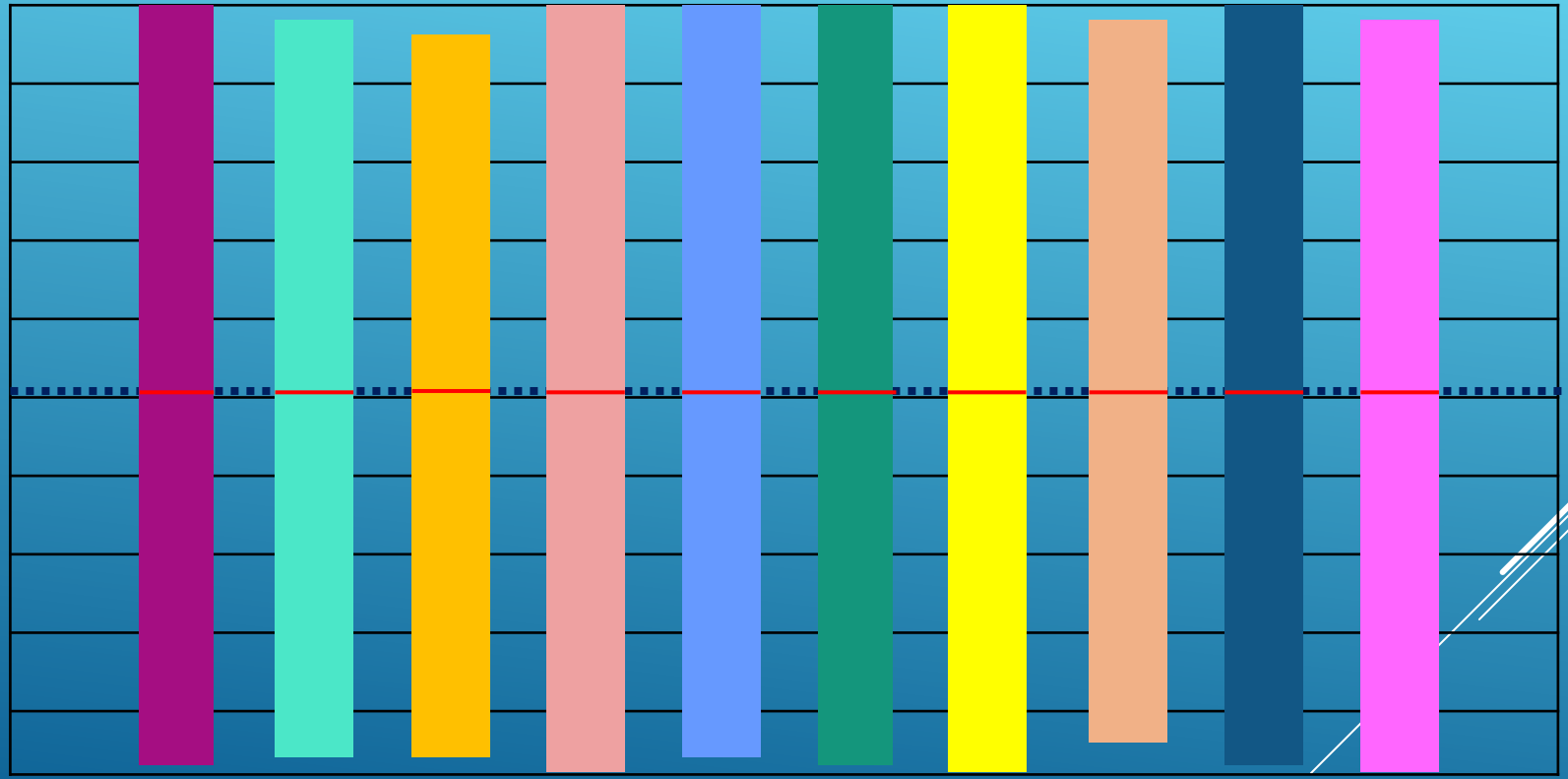

Average Marks Scaling Process

50	35	59	75	37
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81	56	70		
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62	49	23		
84	75	60	73	
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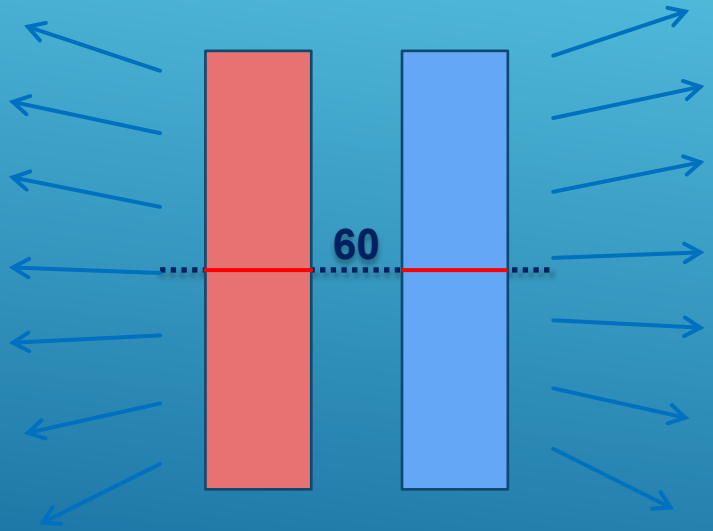

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82	75	73	90	
79	66	68	75	68
80	77	79		
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41	53	54		
55	60	62	57	

Course A Course B

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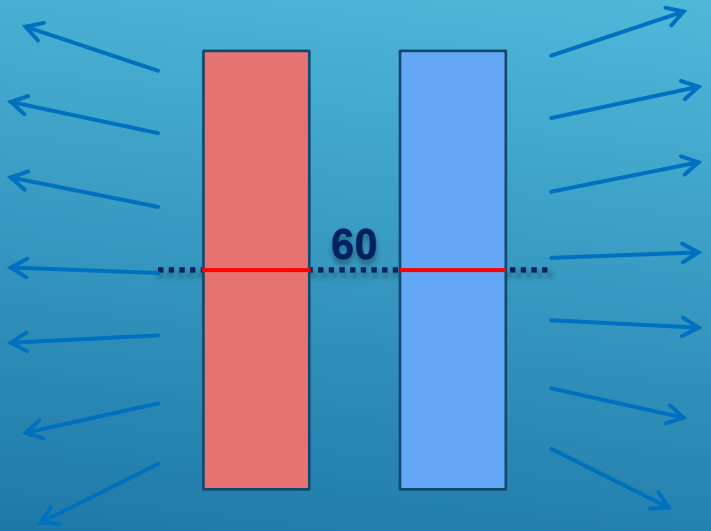

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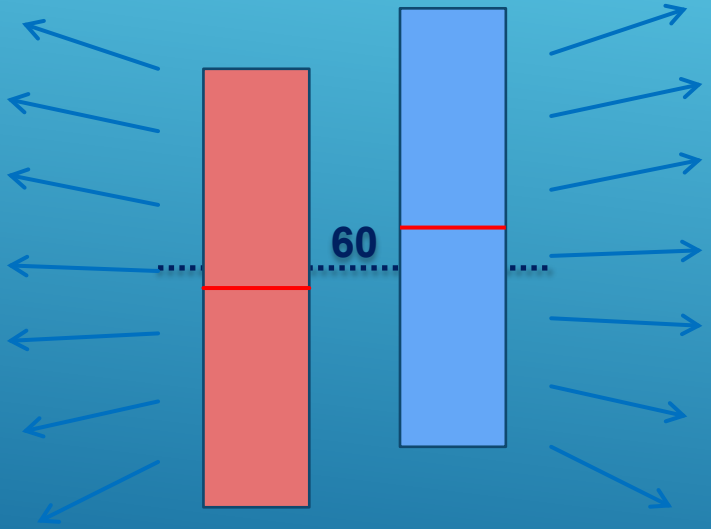

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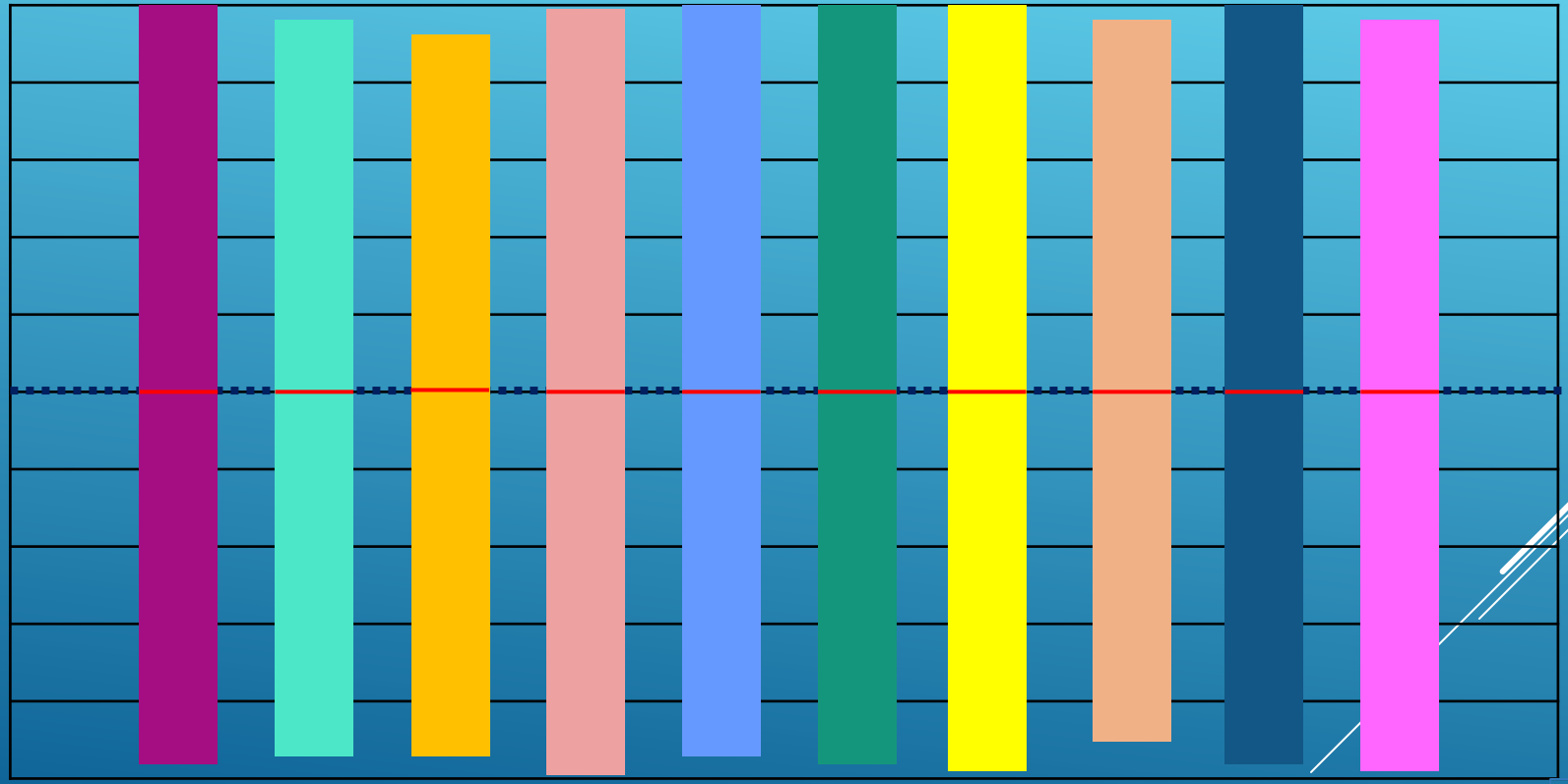

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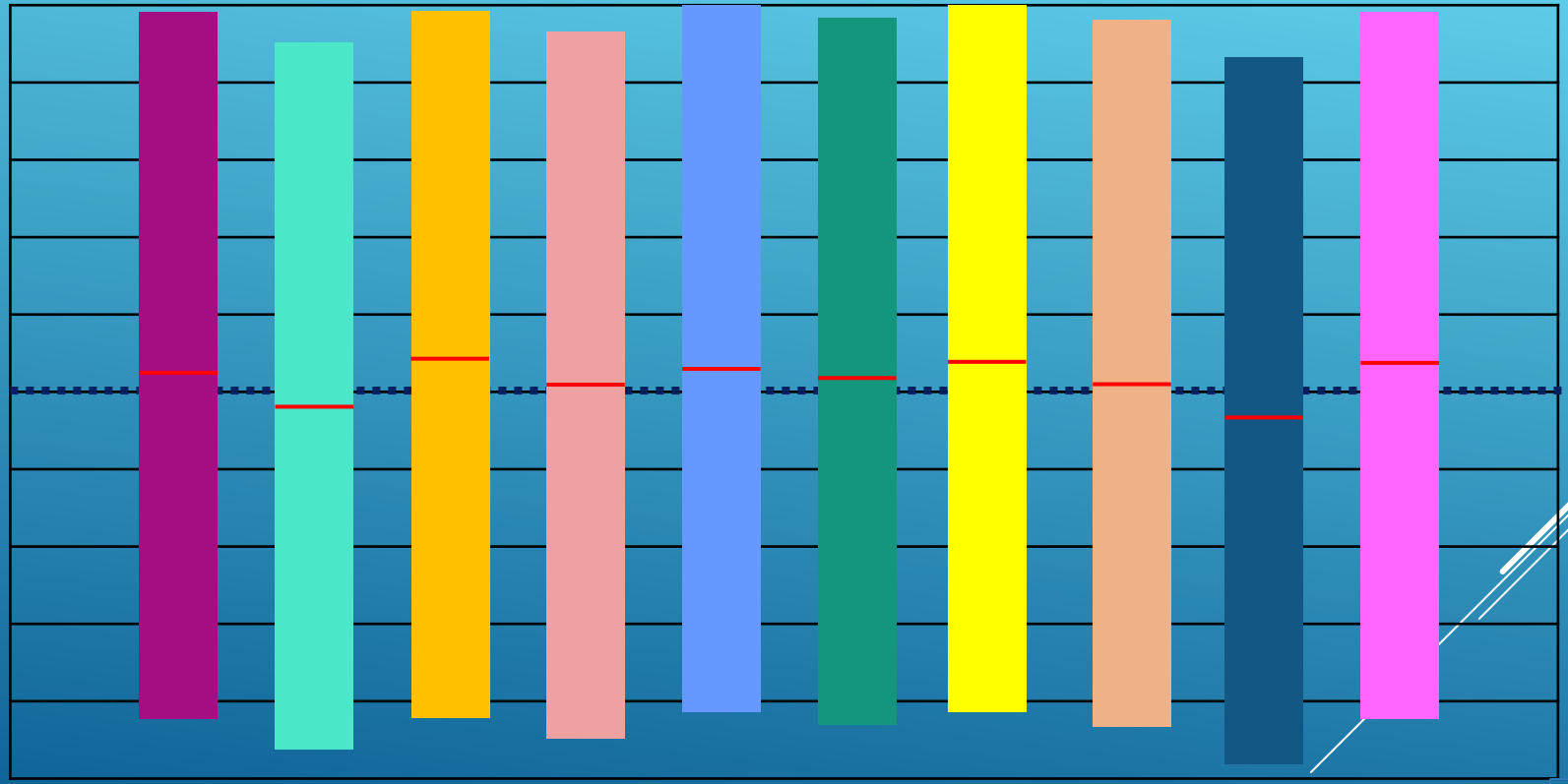

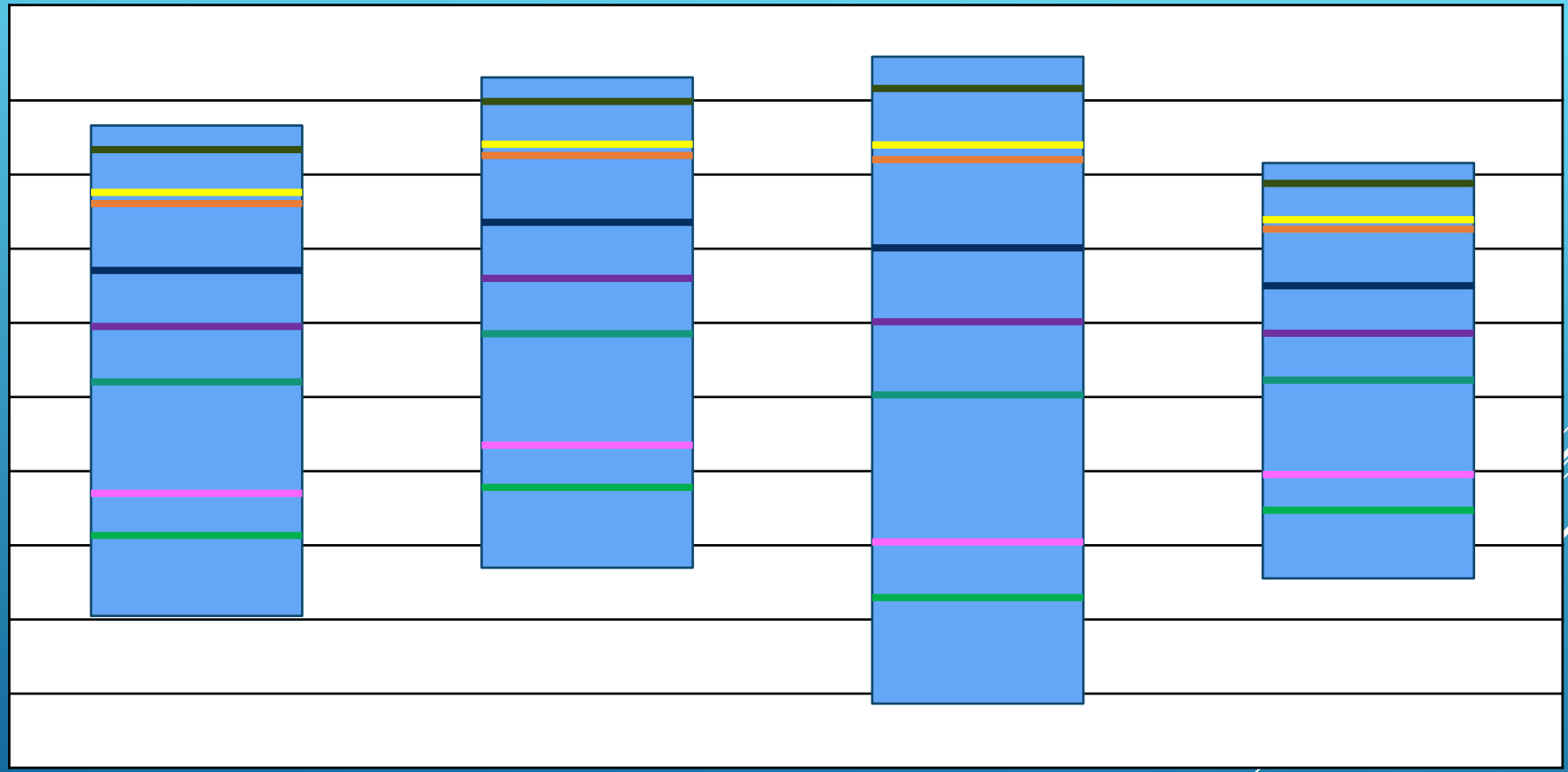

Calculating the ATAR

- Tertiary Entrance Aggregate (TEA)
- TEA = best 4 scaled scores
  - + 10% of a Language Other Than English
  - + 10% of Maths Methods and Maths Specialist
- Maximum TEA = 430

Course	Scaled Score
Physics ATAR	67.6
Italian ATAR	66.5
English ATAR	55.4
Modern History ATAR	41.5
~~Mathematics Methods ATAR~~	~~41.0~~
Sub-total	**231.0**
LOTE bonus	6.7
Maths bonus	4.1
Tertiary Entrance Aggregate	**241.8**

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TEA/ATAR Summary Table 2025

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Minimum TEA	ATAR
405.5	99.95
395.0	99.90
375.5	99.70
348.1	99.00
326.7	98.00
313.6	97.00
303.6	96.00
295.3	95.00

Minimum TEA	ATAR
269.6	90.00
251.7	85.00
241.8	**81.50**
237.9	80.00
231.0	76.95
226.4	75.00
215.7	70.00
206.2	65.00

Best 4 average in 2025

Average	ATAR	Average	ATAR
50	61.50	*55*	72.00
60	80.90	*65*	87.50
70	92.30	*75*	95.55
80	97.50	*85*	98.70
90	99.40	*95*	99.70

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Adjustment Factors

These are added to your ATAR by universities to give you a **Selection Rank** for that particular university.

Criteria include:

- School attended
- Home address
- Family background

ATAR		Adjustment Factor		Selection Rank
75.50	+	5.00	=	80.50

The University of Notre Dame grants adjustment factors individually, and this may not be reflected in your TISC Selection Rank.

Education Access Scheme

If you have experienced educational disruption in Year 11 and/or 12, for example due to health issues, family violence or financial circumstances, you can apply for consideration under the EAS.

- Evidence will be required
- Adjustments, if granted, are given on an individual basis and will NOT show as an adjusted Selection Rank on your UAAL
- Intended for students achieving an ATAR – non-ATAR students should contact the university/ies for pathway information
- Will not override English competency or pre-requisite requirements

Applications & Offers

Apply Through TISC

Curtin University

Murdoch University

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ECU EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY

Except WAAPA courses

THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Except Young Achievers Early Offer Program

International students: apply direct to unis

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Apply Direct - Associate Members

Sheridan offers a caring and supportive environment where students are inspired to reach their full potential.

CURRENT COURSES

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS *ACCOUNTING*	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS *MANAGEMENT*	DIPLOMA OF BUSINESS
BACHELOR OF ARTS	DIPLOMA OF ARTS	POSTGRADUATE OPTIONS

Seven reasons why you might consider Sheridan

1. WA's leading higher education institution for **teaching quality**.*
2. WA's top higher education institution for **student support and services** (2023-2024).**
3. **Pathways** with TAFE Diplomas (Event Management, Travel & Tourism Management, Hospitality Management, Business & Accounting).
4. Small class sizes.
5. Pastoral care focus.
6. Central location.
7. Affordable/Payment plan options.

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QILT Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching

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Why Choose Curtin College?

Curtin College

in association with Curtin University

Non-ATAR or Low ATAR Diploma Pathways into Curtin University:
Engineering, Health Sciences, Computing, Commerce, Arts, and Built Environment

Guaranteed pathway into a Curtin University bachelor degree upon successful diploma completion

Up to 200 CRL, enabling students to **enter Year 2 of a Curtin bachelor degree**

Study on Curtin University's campus with access to facilities, services, and student life

Smaller class sizes with personalised teaching and close academic guidance

Integrated student learning support programs embedded throughout diploma studies

Dedicated student support services focused on wellbeing, engagement, and success

A supportive transition experience that **builds confidence and readiness for university study**

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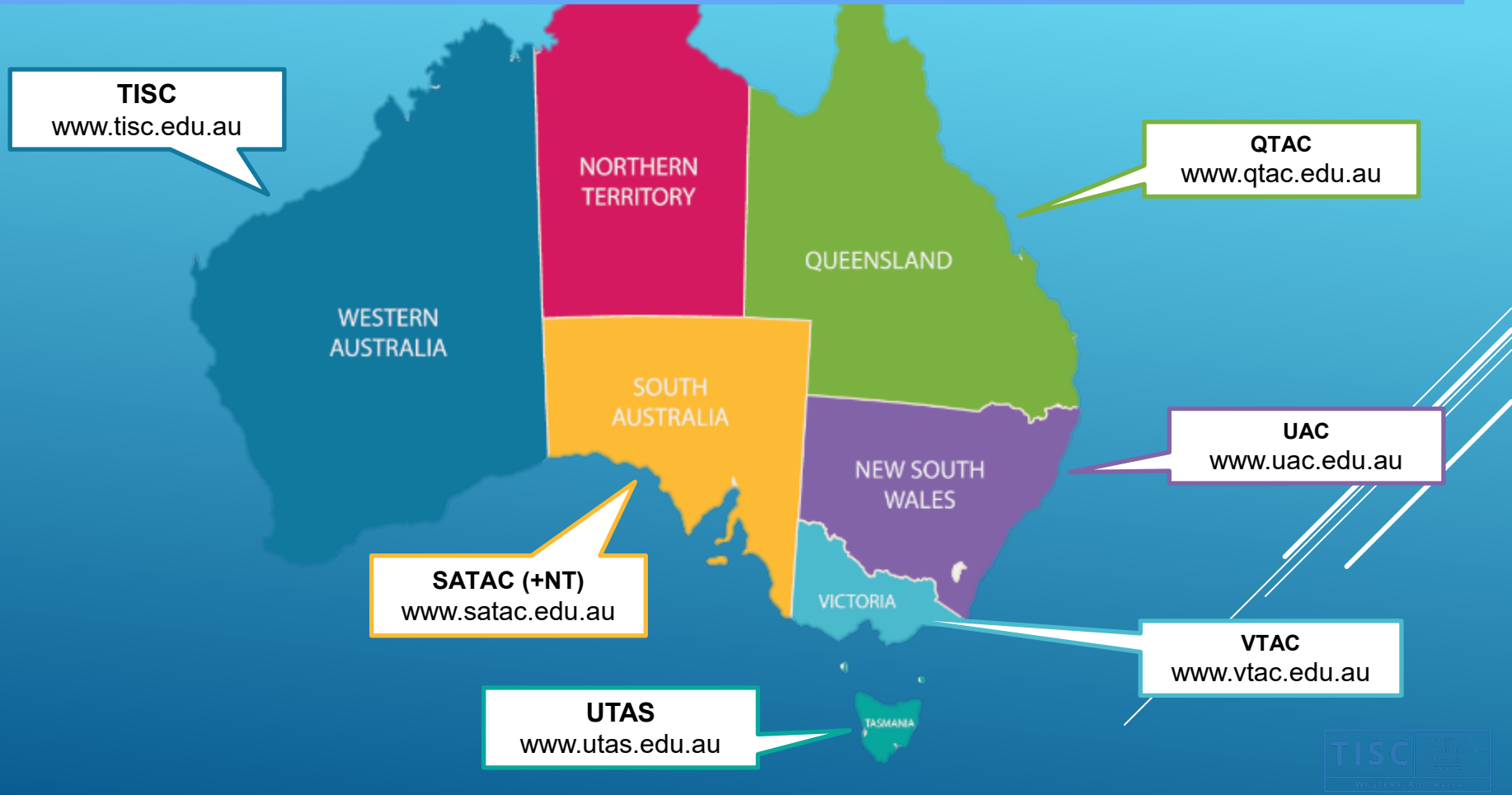

Important Dates – 2026/27

Subject to change – check TISC website for updates

2 June 2026	Applications open
Early July	TISC Guide published
31 July	Final closing date for Vet Science at Murdoch
5 October	First round of Early Offers
30 September	Final closing date for Medicine/Dentistry (Curtin/UWA)
27 November	Closing date for EAS applications/documents (main round) Final closing date for EAS applications/documents (Medicine and Dentistry)
20 December	ATARs and scaled scores released for WACE students
20 December	Applications/preference changes close for main round
24 December	Main round offers released – applications re-open
8 January 2027	Final closing date for EAS applications/documents (second round)
13 January	Applications/preference changes close
20 January	Second round offers released

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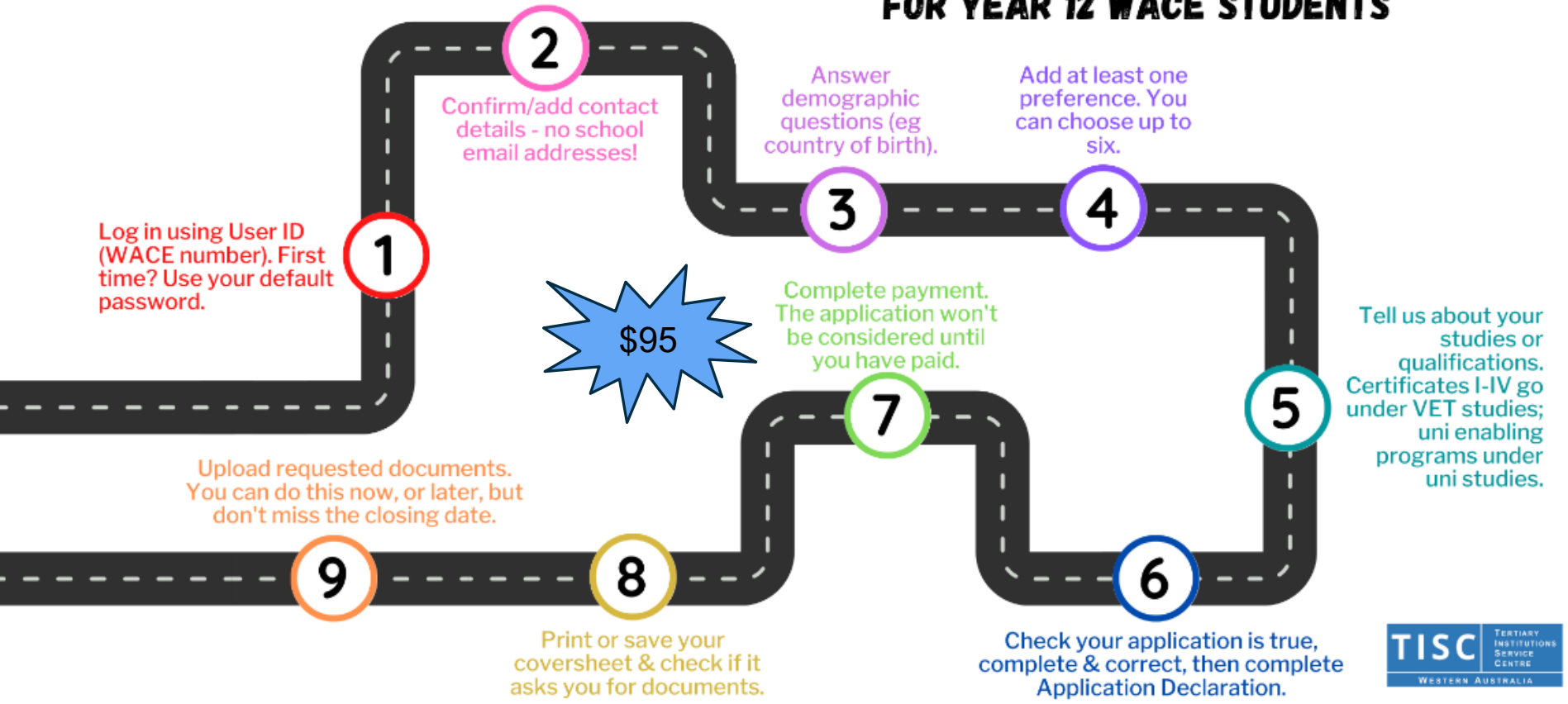
HOW TO APPLY VIA TISCONLINE

FOR YEAR 12 WACE STUDENTS



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Online Application – Tips

- Don’t forget your qualifications – ATAR or General subjects are automatically available, but any VET qualifications, university enabling programs etc must be declared by you.
- Additional submissions – some courses require things like a declaration or statement. TISC will advise you of these, either during the application process or by email.
- Don’t use a school email address.
- Please provide at least one phone number, preferably a mobile phone.

Preferences

Preference	Course	University
1	Dream course 1	University A
2	Dream course 2	University B
3	Confident choice 1	University C
4	Confident choice 2	University D
5	Fall back choice 1	University A
6	Fall back choice 2	University C

Preferences

Preference	Course	University
1	Dream course 1	University A
2	Dream course 2	University B
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Method of Study & Entry

Pref #	Course	University	Experience Based Entry?	Method of Study
1	Engineering	University A		Full-time
2	Engineering	University B		Full-time
3	Science	University A	☑	Full-time
4	Science	University B	☑	Full-time
5	Enabling Program	University A		Full-time
6	Enabling Program	University B		Full-time

TISC will offer you the highest possible preference.
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Results
(for WACE ATAR students)

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2026 UNIVERSITIES ADMISSION ADVICE

Student Name: Mr Sample Student
Student Number: 31999999
Category: School Leaver

Verify on TISCOnline
S/N: ABC1234567

AUSTRALIAN TERTIARY ADMISSION RANK (ATAR) **76.60**

COURSE DATA

Year	Course/Subject	Scaled Score
2025	Accounting and Finance	62.3
2025	Mathematics Applications	56.9
2025	Modern History	56.0
2025	Chemistry	54.4
2025	English	46.5

WACE: Achieved

Curtin University

Competence in English: Achieved - based on your moderated numeric school mark, or numeric examination mark

ATAR/Selection Rank: 81.60 T

On the basis of your results you are eligible to be considered for direct entry to degree courses at Curtin University via the StepUp to Curtin Entry Scheme.

For information on StepUp Equity Adjustment Admission Pathway, please visit curtin.edu/stepup.

T indicates you have been assigned a StepUp Selection Rank for Curtin University.

ECU EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY

Competence in English: Not Achieved

ATAR/Selection Rank: 81.60 Z

To be considered for admission to degree courses at ECU via ECU Access, you must satisfy the University's competence in English requirement. Successful completion of STAT Written English will satisfy this requirement. See over for details.

However, you can be considered for admission via the Experience Based Entry Scheme and to the UniPrep course. For information on ECU Access, the Experience Based Entry Scheme and UniPrep go to www.ecu.edu.au/degrees/pathways.

Z indicates you have been assigned an ECU Access Selection Rank for ECU.

MU Murdoch University

Competence in English: Achieved - based on your moderated numeric school mark, or numeric examination mark

ATAR/Selection Rank: 81.60 R

On the basis of your results you are eligible for the Murdoch RISE bonus and therefore are eligible to be considered for admission to courses at Murdoch University.

R indicates you have been assigned a RISE Selection Rank for Murdoch University.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Competence in English: Achieved - based on your moderated numeric school mark, or numeric examination mark

ATAR/Selection Rank: 76.60

On the basis of your results, you are eligible to be considered for direct entry to degree courses at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Competence in English: Not Achieved

ATAR/Selection Rank: 80.00 B

To be considered for entry to a bachelor's degree at The University of Western Australia, you may need to satisfy the University's English Language Proficiency requirement. Successful completion of UWA's 'Communication in Practice' unit or completion of STAT, may satisfy this requirement. See over for STAT details.

For information on the communications unit go to handbooks.uwa.edu.au/unitdetails?code=pacm1101.
For information on UWA English requirements go to uwa.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements.

B indicates you have been assigned a Broadway Selection Rank for UWA.

This is not an offer letter. To be considered for most courses you need to have achieved specific selection requirements. These may include a suitable ATAR/Selection Rank, WACE, competence in English and prerequisite(s).

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27 December 2025

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If you have completed one or more ATAR subjects you will be issued a **Universities Admission Advice Letter (UAAL)**. It will look something like this.

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All your current-year scaled scores will be shown. Previous years' scaled scores will only be shown **if** they are in your best four.

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ATAR/Selection Rank: 81.60 T

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Competence in English: Achieved - based on your moderated numeric school mark, or numeric examination mark

ATAR/Selection Rank: 76.60

On the basis of your results, you are eligible to be considered for direct entry to degree courses at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Competence in English: Not Achieved

ATAR/Selection Rank: 80.00 B

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These messages are **only based on your ATAR/Selection Rank.** You may satisfy admission requirements in other ways, but these won't show on your UAAL.

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Early Offers

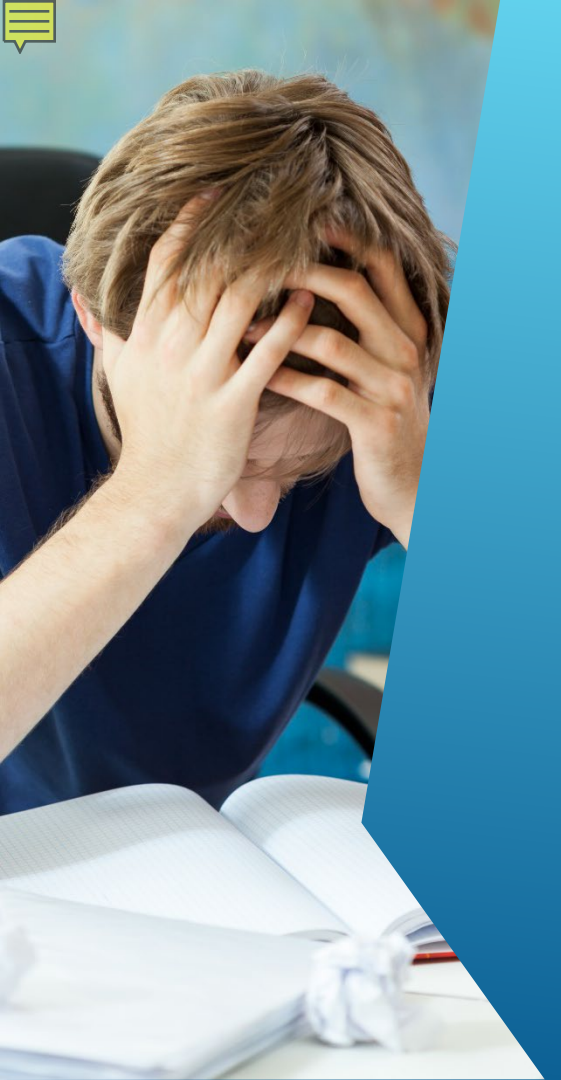
- The first round of Year 12 Early Offers will be released **5 October.**
- The second and last round of Year 12 Early offers will be released on **2 December**.
- Year 12 Early Offers are expected to be conditional – conditions will vary.
- Your TISC application is your Early Offer application – you will automatically be considered if your **first preference** is part of the early offer scheme (not all courses are)
- Most Early Offers will be made based on **Year 11 results.**
- Accepting an Early Offer still allows you to change your preferences – but this may invalidate that early offer.

Main & Second Round Offers

- TISC offers are usually unconditional, but may be conditional – read the fine print.
- You will have a chance to change preferences between main and second rounds **unless** you accept your offer – accepting your offer locks your application.
- Check the TISC Guide and TISC website for more information on responding to offers including the TISC Safety Net.
- If you get no offer, use the time between offer rounds to work out why & make any required changes.

Main Round Offers & the TISC Safety Net

	I'm happy with the main round offer! Let's get started.	I have a 1st preference offer but I'd like to try for something else.	I have a 2nd-6th preference offer & still want to try for a higher preference.	I don't want my offered course at all & want to be considered for other courses.
What you're thinking				
What you need to do	Accept the offer by the deadline to avoid losing it. You may enrol or defer.	Don't accept the offer. Move this course to a lower position on your list.	Don't accept the offer. Leave this course in the same place or move it lower.	Don't accept the offer. Remove this course from your list.
In the 2nd round	No 2nd round offer because you already accepted.	You'll either get offered a higher preference, or get a new offer for the same course.	You'll either get offered a higher preference, or get a new offer for the same course.	Your 1st round offer is gone. You may or may not receive a 2nd round offer.



No Main Round Offer

- Seek advice
- Fix any problems and wait for the second round
- Change preferences
- Do nothing and hope for a second round offer

It's easier for TISC to help you work out what the problem is if you contact us after main round.

Problems

English Language competency not achieved	Minimum Selection Rank not met	Quota course, Selection Rank not competitive	Prerequisite not met	Additional submissions not completed
Sit STAT or change preferences	Change preferences, consider alternative pathways	Add preferences, consider pathway courses	Add/change preferences, consider pathway courses	Submit the documents before 2nd round deadline

Solutions

Alternative Pathways

If you don't meet minimum university entry

- Enabling programs
- Experience Based Entry and/or portfolio entry schemes
- TISC Associate Members may have more flexible entry requirements
- University pathway/Higher Ed Diplomas
- TAFE or other VET providers

If you meet minimum entry, but not the requirements for your dream course

Ask the university for advice – they can usually suggest a 'pathway' course where you can study similar units and apply to transfer after a year.

Deferral – A Gap Year

Most courses can be deferred.

A small number can't – the university will advise you of this.

Deferral is usually for 12 months but can be for 6 or 24 months depending on course availability.

A deferral is an **acceptance** of your offer – you are saying you definitely want this place, but you don't want to start in Semester 1 2027.

The university will contact you about your deferred place in the second half of 2027.

You will always have the option to change your mind and not study, or apply for a different course.

Where Can I Find More Information?

TISC Guide

Admission Requirements brochures

TISC website

University websites and prospectuses

Open Days

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