

## Press Release (2 February 2004)

### 2004 Second Round University Offers

Second round university offer information is now available to applicants on the Tertiary Institutions Service Centre's interactive telephone service TISCLine (1901 191 091 at 82.5c/minute) or by visiting [www.tisc.edu.au](http://www.tisc.edu.au). The universities are posting final offers on Tuesday 3 February.

A summary of the offers for 2004 follows. Seventy per cent of university applicants have been successful and received an offer. There were a total of 22,664 applications (10,315 from TEE students). This compares with 21,660 applications (10,412 from TEE students) last year. The universities were able to make a total of 16,035 offers over the two rounds of offers, with sixty-eight per cent of applicants receiving their first preference. At the same time last year the universities had made 15,869 offers (70% to first preferences). TEE students received 7,385 offers in 2004.

Since the first round of offers 10,254 people have already enrolled (10,200 last year).

Cut-off ranks are not available for the second round. The concept of a cut-off rank, which represents a measure of supply and demand for courses, is not relevant in the second round. This is because generally the universities are topping up courses which did not fill in the first round or which have unexpected extra places because people offered in the first round have not taken up their offers. This year there were 1,557 new offers in the second round.

Included in the second round of offers are people who were offered places in the first round but have chosen to wait in the hope of being offered one of their higher preferences in the current round. The universities have reoffered places to 2,019 applicants who chose to 'sit' on a first round offer.

There are always a number of people who do not take up their offers or who choose to defer studies until the following year. About 900 students have not accepted their first preference offer. So far nearly 1,300 students have chosen to defer their study until 2005.

All unsuccessful applicants will be notified by mail by the Tertiary Institutions Service Centre.

### Summary of University Offers

<b>Applications</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>
TEE students	10315	10412	9779
Non TEE	12349	11248	9229
<b>TOTAL APPLIED</b>	<b>22664</b>	<b>21660</b>	<b>19078</b>
<b>Offers after round 2</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>
TEE students	7385 (72% of TEE applicants)	7486 (72% of TEE applicants)	7589 (78% of TEE applicants)
Non TEE	8650 (70% of non TEE applicants)	8383 (75% of non TEE applicants)	7320 (79% of non TEE applicants)
<b>TOTAL OFFERS</b>	<b>16035 *</b> (70% of total applicants)	<b>15869 **</b> (73% of total applicants)	<b>14909 ***</b> (78% of total applicants)
<b>Enrolled after round 1</b>	10254	10200	9826
<b>First preference offer</b>	10955 (68% of offers)	11078 (70% of offers)	11070 (74% of offers)

\* includes 502 offers in the Edith Cowan University Preparation Course, 55 offers for fee-paying places at Murdoch University and 79 students who deferred a Curtin University of Technology place last year. In 2003 those students who deferred places at Curtin were not processed by TISC.

\*\* includes 501 offers in the Edith Cowan University Preparation Course

\*\*\* includes 205 offers in the Edith Cowan University Preparation Course