

Press Release (4 February 2005)

2005 Second Round University Offers

Second round university offer information is now available to applicants on the Tertiary Institutions Service Centre's website www.tisc.edu.au or by telephoning TISC's interactive telephone service TISCLine (1901 191 091 at 82.5c/minute). The universities are posting final offers on Monday 7 February.

A summary of the offers for 2005 follows. Eighty-one per cent of university applicants have been successful and received an offer. There were a total of 20,643 applications (9,689 from TEE students). This compares with 22,664 applications (10,315 from TEE students) last year. The universities were able to make a total of 16,710 offers over the two rounds of offers, with eighty-three per cent of applicants receiving their first preference. At the same time last year the universities had made 16,035 offers (68% to first preferences). TEE students received 7,989 offers in 2005.

Since the first round of offers 11,142 people have already enrolled (10,254 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 1,601 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 1,068 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 1,200 students have not accepted their first preference offer. So far nearly 1,700 students have chosen to defer their study until 2006 (1,300 last year).

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

SUMMARY OF UNIVERSITY OFFERS

Applications	2005	2004	2003
TEE students	9,689	10,315	10,412
Non TEE	10,954	12,349	11,248
Total	20,643	22,664	21,660
Offers after round 2			
TEE students	7,989 (82% of TEE applicants)	7,385 (72% of TEE applicants)	7,486 (72% of TEE applicants)
Non TEE	8,721 (80% of non TEE applicants)	8,650 (70% of non TEE applicants)	8,383 (75% of non TEE applicants)
Total	16,710* (81% of total applicants)	16,035** (70% of total applicants)	15,869*** (73% of total applicants)
Enrolled after round 1	11,142	10,254	10,200
First preference offers	13,915	10,955	11,078

*includes 454 offers in the Edith Cowan University Preparation Course and 168 offers for full-fee places at Edith Cowan University (15), Murdoch University (139) and UWA (14).

**includes 502 offers in the Edith Cowan University Preparation Course and 55 offers for fee paying places at Murdoch University.

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