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FOREWORD

The following information is issued on behalf of TISC's participating institutions: Curtin University, Edith Cowan University, Murdoch University, The University of Notre Dame Australia (Fremantle campus), and The University of Western Australia. Its aim is to inform 2022 students completing The Diploma of the International Baccalaureate (IB) about the universities' admission requirements and application procedures.

This information is correct as at the time of publishing. It is relevant only for admission in 2023 and is subject to change without notice. It should be read in conjunction with the information under *Admission Requirements – School Leavers 2023* on TISC's website www.tisc.edu.au, and the *2023 TISC Guide*, available in August.

GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS DOCUMENT

ACTAC: Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admissions Centres

ATAR: Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank

HL: Higher Level

IB: International Baccalaureate

IBAS: International Baccalaureate Admissions Score

IBO: International Baccalaureate Organisation (the governing body)

SL: Standard Level

TISC: Tertiary Institutions Service Centre

UNIVERSITY APPLICATION PROCEDURES

You can only apply through TISC if you're an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or you've been approved or granted Australian permanent resident status. If you're applying for permanent residence, you **aren't eligible to apply through TISC** until your permanent residence status has been approved or granted. Contact the International Centres of the respective universities for advice.

NOTE: If you have a subclass 457 visa, you aren't eligible to apply through TISC, but must apply direct to the International Centre of the relevant university(ies).

Residency Status Information

You must provide correct details of your current residency status when you apply. If an offer is made to you, and university checks find that you've provided incorrect residency status information, the university concerned will withdraw your offer in accordance with its policies and procedures.

TISC Guide

If you're studying the IB Diploma at a Western Australian school, you'll receive a free copy of the *2023 TISC Guide* through your school in early August. You can find details of university requirements, how to make an application, offers and other information relevant to your application in the Guide or on TISC's website. Make sure that you've read and understood this information so that your application is correct, reflects what you want to apply for and gives you the best chance of receiving an offer of a place.

The *2023 TISC Guide* provides more information about available courses, guaranteed and minimum selection ranks, applications and offers than is provided in this publication.

If you don't understand any of the information provided, contact TISC or the Admissions Centre at any of the five WA universities.

TISCOOnline (www.tisc.edu.au)

Apply via TISCOOnline. Check details of how to apply in the *2023 TISC Guide* or on TISC's website.

As an IB student, you need to begin by registering as a new user on TISC's site. This will generate your User ID, which you then use to apply. You choose your own password. ***This procedure is different from that followed by WACE students.***

As part of your application, you're asked for details of your Year 12 schooling. Answer 'No' to part 1 of the *Secondary School Studies at Year 12 level* question, as this applies to WACE students. You'll need to answer part 2 of the *Secondary School Studies at Year 12 level* question, to let TISC know that you're doing the IB. Select 'International Baccalaureate' from the dropdown list as your location. Also provide your IB personal code (for example abc123) in the space provided when you answer this question.

Interstate IB students

If you are studying the IB Diploma in another Australian state, you are welcome to apply for university in Western Australia through TISC.

Simply select 'International Baccalaureate' from the dropdown list – not your home state – and provide your IB personal code.

Overseas IB students

If you are studying the IB Diploma overseas, but meet the residency requirements to apply through TISC, you are welcome to apply for university in Western Australia through TISC.

Select 'International Baccalaureate' from the dropdown list – not 'Overseas' – and provide your IB personal code.

If you completed or are completing the IB Diploma in May of the current year, please indicate this in the course description to ensure we retrieve your results when available in July, as the default for IB results retrieval is January, when the November results are released.

TISC fees and charges

There is a flat \$80.00 fee to apply through TISC for Semester 1, 2023 admission to WA universities.

For courses at Curtin University and Edith Cowan University, you need to apply through TISC.

For some courses at Murdoch University and The University of Western Australia, you can apply directly to the universities and may not need to complete a TISC application. The University of Notre Dame Australia accepts direct applications for its Year 12 Early Offer Scheme.

Changing preferences

Once you've applied, you can change your university course preferences via TISCOOnline as many times as you like, subject to deadlines. There's no charge.

Final closing dates will be published on the TISC website. Generally, you will have at least a few days to change preferences once you have received your final IB results.

IB RESULTS

You don't need to submit your 2022 IB results to TISC. We can obtain these electronically direct from the IBO. However, so that we can access your results, you must arrange through your school in advance for your results to be made available to TISC. See the IB co-ordinator in your school to ensure a Results Request is submitted via the IB on your behalf.

If you don't release your results to TISC prior to the IB results release day, additional fees may apply for the IBO to release your results to TISC, and it may cause delays with processing your application.

"You also need to supply TISC with your IB personal code, to make sure we can retrieve the results."

November IB results will not be available to TISC and the universities in time to be included in the December round of offers, but the universities expect to have places available in all courses for the January round of offers, so that IB students will not be disadvantaged. Depending on the university and course for which you are applying, you may be eligible for an early offer based on predicted results – check with the university directly. If this is the case, you need to upload evidence of predicted results to your TISC application for them to be considered.

You can't view your IB results via the TISC website – you will need to contact IB or your school if you have any concerns about your results.

"If you are a student studying IB in a Western Australian school, and you apply for university via TISC, TISC will notify you of your **IB Admissions Score** by email in early January 2023."

Ensure your email address is current, and don't use a school email address, as you often lose access to them before January.

REQUIREMENTS FOR UNIVERSITY ADMISSION

To be considered for university admission as an IB applicant, you must:

1. qualify for The Diploma of the International Baccalaureate (detailed information about the Diploma may be obtained from www.ibo.org); **and**
2. achieve **competence in English** as prescribed by the individual universities (see Table 1); **and**
3. obtain an **IB Admissions Score** that converts to a **sufficiently high equivalent Combined Rank** (see Table 2, 3 and 4) for entry to a particular university and/or course; **and**
4. satisfy any **prerequisites** (see Table 5) or special requirements necessary to be considered for entry to particular courses.

Non-completion of Diploma

Generally, IB students need to be awarded the IB Diploma to be admitted to university in Western Australia through standard entry pathways.

However, if you do not meet all the requirements to be awarded the IB Diploma, you may be eligible for alternative pathways to entry. Check the *2023 TISC Guide* for more information, or contact the universities directly for advice.

COMPETENCE IN ENGLISH

The following table is a guide to achieving competence in English for university entrance in Western Australia. Find the English subject you are studying, and the level at which you are studying it, and check the grade you will need to meet competence in English for the university/ies of your choice.

Table 1: Competence in English

Select your IB subject and level		You need a minimum grade of				
		Curtin	ECU	Murdoch	UNDA	UWA
<i>English A: Literature</i>	HL	4	4	3	4	3
	SL	4	4	4	4	4
<i>English A: Language and Literature</i>	HL	4	4	3	4	3
	SL	4	4	4	4	4
<i>Literature and Performance</i>	SL	4	4	4	4	4
<i>English B</i>	HL	4	4	3	4	5
	SL	N/A	N/A	4	N/A	N/A

Murdoch University also accepts the completion of two years of senior secondary study (Year 11 and 12) in Australia to satisfy English Language competence requirements, regardless of individual subject results. If you are completing the IB overseas, you should check with Murdoch University what results you require.

COMBINED RANKS

The Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) is the basis of admission to most university courses. Applicants are ranked in order of merit based on their ATAR. All states in Australia calculate an ATAR for eligible students studying their state-based senior secondary certificate (in WA, the WACE).

Students studying the IB Diploma are given an IB score by the IBO, in whole numbers up to a maximum of 45.

So that the universities can rank IB students on the same basis as other Australian Year 12 students, TISC uses a combined conversion table prepared annually by the Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admission Centres (ACTAC) to convert IB scores to **Combined Ranks**. For background on how this table is constructed see 'Admission Requirements – International Baccalaureate and Interstate Students' on TISC's website. An extract from the table to be used for 2023 admissions follows.

Table 2: IB Diploma score to Combined Rank

2022 IB Diploma Score	Combined Rank for entry in 2023	2022 IB Diploma Score	Combined Rank for entry in 2023
45	99.95	34	91.60
44	99.75	33	89.95
43	99.50	32	88.15
42	99.15	31	86.35
41	98.60	30	84.30
40	97.95	29	82.00
39	97.20	28	80.05
38	96.40	27	77.90
37	95.40	26	75.65
36	94.10	25	72.85
35	92.85	24	70.20

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ADMISSIONS SCORE

For 2023 admission, the Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admissions Centres (ACTAC), which includes TISC, is introducing a new conversion mechanism to help convert IB scores more precisely to ATAR equivalents.

ATARs are allocated on bands at 0.05 intervals (for example, 99.95, 99.90, 99.85 and so on), while IB scores are only reported at whole number intervals (45, 44, 43 and so on). This means the IB score is a "coarse" comparison measure, with relatively few data points.

For Australian-based IB students, the IBO will provide ACTAC with finer-grained data about your performance in each subject, in addition to the IB score so that a more precise conversion is possible.

ACTAC will use this data to assign an **International Baccalaureate Admissions Score (IBAS)** which will then be used with the conversion table to generate a Combined Rank.

How is my IBAS calculated?

This more detailed information allows us to determine where your mark falls within the grade. For example, if the boundaries for Grade 6 in Chemistry HL are marks between 60 and 69, and your mark is 68, we can determine that your position within that grade is high. We will do this for every subject and calculate an average position from across your six subjects. The result will then be rounded using intervals of 0.25. This final number will be your **IB Admissions Score**.

The IBAS adds more detail within each level of diploma scores but does not change the score. The IBAS will always start with the same number as your IB Diploma score. For example, if you have a diploma score of 35, your IB Admissions Score will be **35.xx**. It will not be **36.25** or **34.75**.

Table 3 shows how your IBAS will then be converted to a Combined Rank.

Students completing the IB overseas, even if they are Australian citizens/residents, will not receive an IBAS. The IB Diploma score to Combined Rank table will apply to these students (see Table 2).

Table 3: IB Admissions Score to Combined Rank

2022 IBAS	Combined Rank for entry in 2023	2022 IBAS	Combined Rank for entry in 2023
45.75	99.95	34.75	91.65
45.50	99.95	34.50	91.30
45.25	99.90	34.25	90.85
45.00	99.85	34.00	90.40
44.75	99.80	33.75	89.95
44.50	99.75	33.50	89.50
44.25	99.70	33.25	89.05
44.00	99.60	33.00	88.60
43.75	99.55	32.75	88.15
43.50	99.45	32.50	87.70
43.25	99.35	32.25	87.25
43.00	99.30	32.00	86.80
42.75	99.20	31.75	86.35
42.50	99.10	31.50	85.90
42.25	98.95	31.25	85.45
42.00	98.85	31.00	85.00
41.75	98.70	30.75	84.55
41.50	98.55	30.50	84.10
41.25	98.40	30.25	83.55
41.00	98.25	30.00	83.00
40.75	98.05	29.75	82.40
40.50	97.90	29.50	81.85
40.25	97.70	29.25	81.35
40.00	97.50	29.00	80.85
39.75	97.30	28.75	80.35
39.50	97.10	28.50	79.85
39.25	96.90	28.25	79.30
39.00	96.70	28.00	78.75
38.75	96.45	27.75	78.15
38.50	96.25	27.50	77.60
38.25	96.00	27.25	77.05
38.00	95.75	27.00	76.50
37.75	95.45	26.75	75.90
37.50	95.20	26.50	75.35
37.25	94.90	26.25	74.70
37.00	94.55	26.00	74.05
36.75	94.25	25.75	73.35
36.50	93.90	25.50	72.70
36.25	93.60	25.25	72.10
36.00	93.25	25.00	71.45
35.75	92.95	24.75	70.85
35.50	92.60	24.50	70.20
35.25	92.30	24.25	69.60
35.00	91.95	24.00	68.95

UWA bonus

The University of Western Australia will offer a selection rank adjustment to International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma students, based on the final IB score and the Combined Rank conversion. This is in recognition of completion of language and mathematics subjects. The bonus is incorporated into UWA's selection rank (see table) and is automatically applied to all IB graduates.

Table 4: UWA Selection Ranks

2022 IB Diploma score	2022 Combined Rank	UWA Selection Rank
45	99.95	99.95
44	99.75	99.90
43	99.50	99.85
42	99.15	99.75
41	98.60	99.40
40	97.95	99.00
39	97.20	98.60
38	96.40	98.15
37	95.40	97.60
36	94.10	97.00
35	92.85	95.85
34	91.60	95.00
33	89.95	94.00
32	88.15	92.35
31	86.35	91.25
30	84.30	90.00
29	82.00	86.85
28	80.05	85.40
27	77.90	83.60
26	75.65	80.90
25	72.85	78.55
24	70.20	75.45

PREREQUISITES

Some university courses in Western Australia require successful completion of prerequisite courses at Year 12 level for entry to the course. In many cases, applicants without prerequisites won't be admitted. In some cases, bridging courses may be available, but this could extend the length of the course. Contact the individual university(ies) for further information on courses you're interested in.

Murdoch University and The University of Notre Dame Australia don't require applicants to have undertaken specific prerequisite courses but provides introductory units to enable its students to become skilled in specific areas in which they may be lacking.

For some university courses special requirements may include interviews, auditions, folio presentations, etc. Detailed information is available from the individual universities.

TISC publishes the universities' prerequisites in terms of WACE courses, eg Chemistry ATAR. The current IB subjects equivalent to specified WACE courses are detailed in the table below. For a comprehensive list including IB subjects offered in previous years, please visit the TISC website.

Table 5: Prerequisite equivalencies

WACE course	IB subject
<i>Applied Information Technology ATAR</i>	Information Technology in a Global Society SL/HL or Computer Science SL/HL
<i>Biology ATAR</i>	Biology SL/HL
<i>Chemistry ATAR</i>	Chemistry SL/HL
<i>Computer Science ATAR</i>	Information Technology in a Global Society SL/HL or Computer Science SL/HL
<i>Earth and Environmental Science ATAR</i>	Environmental Systems and Societies SL
<i>Engineering Studies ATAR</i>	No direct equivalent
<i>Human Biology ATAR</i>	Biology SL/HL
<i>Marine & Maritime Studies ATAR</i>	Marine Science SL (100671 SL)
<i>Mathematics Applications ATAR</i>	Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations SL <u>The following subjects also satisfy this requirement:</u> Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations HL or Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches SL
<i>Mathematics Methods ATAR</i>	<u>All WA universities</u> Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches SL <u>ECU, Murdoch, UWA</u> Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations HL

<i>Mathematics Specialist ATAR</i>	Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches HL <u>Curtin only</u> Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations HL
<i>Physics ATAR</i>	Physics SL/HL
<i>Psychology ATAR</i>	Psychology SL/HL

Level	Grade required	
	ECU and UWA	Curtin
<i>Higher Level (HL)</i>	3 or above	4 or above
<i>Standard Level (SL)</i>	4 or above	4 or above

GUARANTEED AND MINIMUM RANKS

The universities have listed Guaranteed ATARs/Selection Ranks for most of their courses. If you achieve the Guaranteed Selection Rank (or IB Admissions Score) and any other academic prerequisites of the course, you are guaranteed to be eligible for an offer in that course. Remember, though, that the actual offer you receive will depend on your preference order. Guaranteed ATARs/Selection Ranks are included with the Course Codes for 2023 Admission in the *TISC Guide* and also on TISC's website. Some courses have no Guaranteed ATAR/Selection Rank listed, as they use additional selection criteria (such as UCAT, audition or interview) and/or have limited places available.

Minimum ATARs/Selection Ranks have also been provided by the universities for most of their courses. Minimum ATARs/Selection Ranks show you the rank needed to be considered for entry to a course. However, obtaining these ranks is not a guarantee of being selected for a place in these courses. Some courses will have N/A for the minimum ATAR/Selection Rank, where an ATAR/Selection Rank is not applicable due to emphasis on other eligibility criteria.

Check these Guaranteed and Minimum ATARs/Selection Ranks against the conversion tables in this document to give you an idea of the IB score you may need to obtain in order to receive an offer in the course of your choice.

NEED ADVICE?

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Egan Street
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Telephone: 1800 688 377

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Limited assistance will be available at
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270 Joondalup Drive
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Email: futurestudy@ecu.edu.au

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Including Joondalup, Mt Lawley, South West Campus (Bunbury) and Margaret River Education Centre

MURDOCH UNIVERSITY

Perth Campus
THE STUDENT CENTRE
South Street
MURDOCH WA 6150

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Web: www.murdoch.edu.au

Mandurah Campus (Peel)
THE STUDENT CENTRE
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MANDURAH WA 6210

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Online enquiries: ask.murdoch.edu.au

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Rockingham Campus
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