



2018 Year 12

General WACE Information

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# Year 12 Key Priorities

- Intervention for students potentially at risk in terms of not achieving graduation (WACE)
- Year 12 mentoring
- Year 12 career pathway interviews with:
  - Mr Lynton Smith – Head of Careers
  - Mrs Kimberly Eyre – Acting Dean of Studies/Secondary Curriculum Manager
  - Mrs Diana Kelly – Acting Secondary Curriculum Manager (term 1)
  - Mrs Penny Houghton – Dean of Studies (terms 2-4)
- Preparing students for examinations through Year 12 Assemblies and guest speakers for study skills
- Exam concessions
- Post Secondary study advice and support
- Establishing and reinforcing a culture of success!

# Monitoring Student Progress

Assessment Outline

Assessment Task sheets

Online feedback through SEQTA

Interim reports

Semester Statement of Results

Teacher contact

Study plan

Emails and progress letters

# Key dates – Year 12 (academic year)

1. Last date for course changes  
*Monday 12 March 2018 - Week 7, Term 1*
2. Last day for special examination arrangements to be registered  
*Tuesday 3 April 2018*
3. Semester 1 Examinations begin  
*Monday 21 May 2018*
4. Practical WACE examinations begin  
*Saturday 22 September 2018*
5. Written WACE examinations  
*Monday 29 October 2018*
6. College Graduation Evening  
*Wednesday 5 December 2018*

# Exam concessions for the WACE exams

Applications for exam accommodations

**Close**

Tuesday 3 April 2018

We require the information as soon as possible,

well in advance of closing date

(no application needed for mid-year exams)

Please see Mrs Eyre as soon as possible

# Collection and return of forms and checking of results

## ***What goes home:***

1. Various forms from the College and the School Curriculum and Standards Authority
2. An important Final Statement of Results from the College

Essential that any forms are returned on time and that any results from the College are carefully checked in a timely manner

# Course changes

Single and whole course changes for 2018:

- Single course changes must be made ***before – the beginning of Week 7, Term 1 (12 March)***
- No changes into any General or ATAR courses after Thursday 5 April. It is possible to withdraw from a unit after this date – however 10 units must still be completed in Year 12 to meet WACE requirements.

# Contact home

**Contact home for students who are academically at risk:**

**In order to support students — Teachers and the Curriculum team will contact home immediately as the need arises and early intervention is the key to success in a course**

**Important not to ignore any early warning signs**

# What do I do in the event of illness?

If you miss an assessment due to illness, provide a medical certificate and write the assessment at a later stage. We will be providing an Assessment Catch-up Class on Wednesday after school beginning in Week 4.

In the event of a serious illness, advise Mrs Eyre, Mrs Houghton (term 2 onwards) or your HOH immediately so that we can set up ways of supporting you academically. With the use of SEQTA Learn, you have a direct link to each of your classes.

Do not attend school if you are ill as you may pass on your illness on to other students.

# Family holidays and formal work

Please be aware that students should not miss any school days due to family holidays taken during regular term dates.

Please refer to the Student Planner and the Senior Secondary Assessment Policy for clarification and information on this issue.

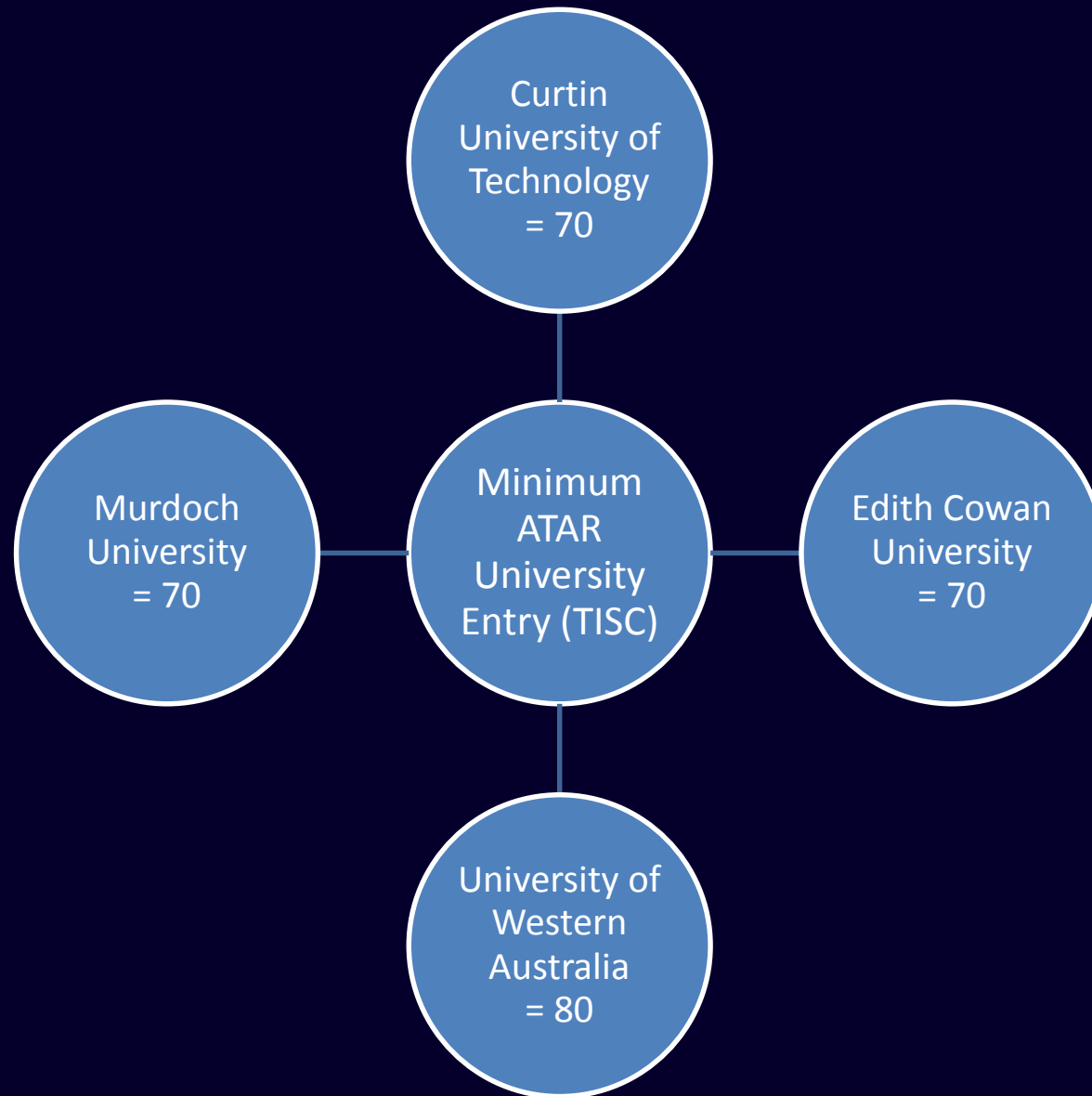
Students should keep formal work to the bare minimum in Year 12.  
We recommend no formal work in Year 12 if possible.

# University (TISC managed and Inter-state) and TAFE enrolments

- During the year students are provided with all the information they require to manage the enrolment process for these institutions in 2018. (This includes Medicine enrolment and inter-state universities.)
- It is very important for students to make sure that they do not miss any information for any reason.
- Meetings to disseminate information called through Student Notices (includes the UMAT for students considering direct entry into Medicine).

# Minimum ATAR for university entry

- An ATAR can be used to gain entry to most universities across Australia
- University entry in Western Australia is managed by TISC for the University of Western Australia, Curtin University, Edith Cowan University and Murdoch University
- Minimum ATAR not necessarily same as Indicative Rank or the Cut off Rank for some Courses of Study - may be considerably higher
- Minimum ATAR applies to majority of courses
- If you have an ATAR of 70.00, for example, it indicates that you've achieved as well as or better than 70% of the Year 12 school leaver age population. (TISC)



# University of Notre Dame Australia

- Does not necessarily only consider your ATAR, but does have a minimum 70 ATAR entrance
- Also requires a letter of recommendation relating to character and your general performance at school
- Does have early entry options which are managed from the Secondary Curriculum Office

TEA (average mark of four Courses of Study)	ATAR
278	90
242.5	80
218.6	70
197.5	60

# Tests for English Competency

- Specific tests are used by universities to determine English Competency if for some reason this admission requirement is not met
- These are usually written in January for school leavers

# Portfolio Entry (ECU)

- Is a back up option for students who will generate an ATAR
- Is an alternative entry pathway
- May be used as an entry pathway for students who will not generate an ATAR
- Requires submission of a portfolio, including an introductory letter, a personal resume, your most recent school report and two letters of recommendation

# Portfolio/Alternative Entry Murdoch and Curtin

- Each of these Universities offers a range of Portfolio entries depending upon the course/units studied
- Follow information on the Universities' respective websites for detailed information
- Being informed keeps students in the know so they can make the best of their opportunities

# What happens if I miss out on Portfolio?

- Students are generally encouraged to enter the University Preparation Course (UPC) at Edith Cowan University
- Equivalent Preparation Courses at Curtin University of Technology and Murdoch University
- Complete a Cert IV at Polytechnic (TAFE)

# Study Tips for Year 12

- Organise yourself – use a planner – keep track of assessments/assignments
- Balance your study – don't procrastinate – falling behind is where students find problems
- Know your learning style – set up a study space – don't fill it up with distractions
- Ask questions – your teachers are here to assist
- Be familiar with the SCSA website – past exams can be found there to assist with your practise and study
- Be prepared!

# Elevate Study Skills

- Students have had the opportunity to work with Elevate and learn valuable study skills
- Use of Practical Skills
- Use immediately
- Maximise Students' attention
- Utilise information to maximise your best practice for studying in all of your classes
- Elevate offers further assistance via their website for Elevate students – use it

# College Colours Important Dates for 2018

Applications Close

Term 1: Week 7, Friday 16 March

Term 2: Week 9, Friday 29 June

Be sure to get your applications in early!

**Mrs Penny Houghton**

Acting Principal/Dean of Studies

**Mrs Kimberly Eyre**

Acting Dean of Studies/Secondary Curriculum Manager

**Mrs Diana Kelly**

Acting Secondary Curriculum Manager(Term 1)

**Mrs Bronwyn McCue**

Senior Secondary Mentor

**Mr Lynton Smith**

Head of Career Education

can be contacted in the Curriculum Office  
through College Reception on 9300 7444