

## **APPLYING TO QTAC**

FOR INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE STUDENTS

#### Who is QTAC?

- A not-for-profit organisation
- Owned by seven Queensland universities

#### What do we do?

- Provide information about tertiary study and courses
- Process and assess approximately 70,000 applications per year
- Make offers in over 1800 undergraduate courses on behalf of 18 institutions
- Calculate and award ATARs
- QTAC is here to help match applicants with the opportunity that is right for them



#### QTAC makes offers on behalf of these institutions



































# How are IB Diploma students considered for entry to tertiary courses in Australia?

Results from completed IB Diplomas are reported as an IB Score called the IBAS, on a whole number scale between 24 and 45. These IBAS are then converted into a national ATAR-like rank to allow IB students to be considered for tertiary places alongside their counterparts who have completed state curricula or other qualifications.

This national ATAR-like value is known as the **Combined Rank** because it is a national conversion which combines results from across all states.

This means that IB students can apply in any Australian state or territory with confidence about how their results compare to their peers who have completed state curricula and received an ATAR.



# How are IB Diploma students considered for entry to tertiary courses through QTAC?

Students with a completed IB Diploma are considered for a tertiary study through QTAC on the basis of having met the minimum course entry requirements, such as subject prerequisites, and their QTAC Selection Rank.

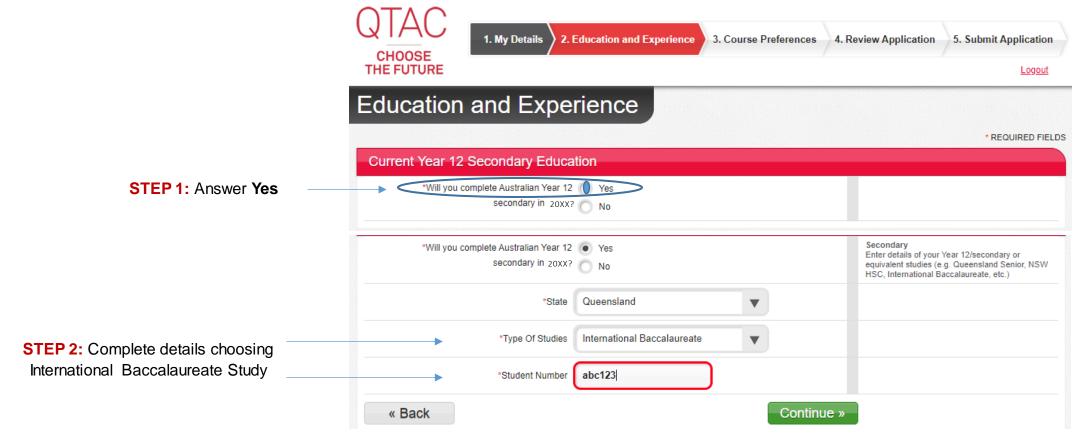
Converting an IB score to a QTAC Selection Rank is a twostep process:

- STEP 1: Your IB score (IBAS) from a completed IB
  Diploma is converted to a 'Combined Rank' according to
  the rules agreed nationally.
- STEP 2: QTAC converts your combined rank to a QTAC Selection Rank. (Differing terminology is used interstate, e.g. some states refer to this as a 'notional ATAR'.)

To help IB students understand their QTAC Selection Rank based on their IB Score, a conversion table is available on the QTAC website.



By identifying as an IB student on your QTAC application, your IBAS and subject results will be received electronically by QTAC and automatically converted for the purposes of selection and meeting prerequisites.



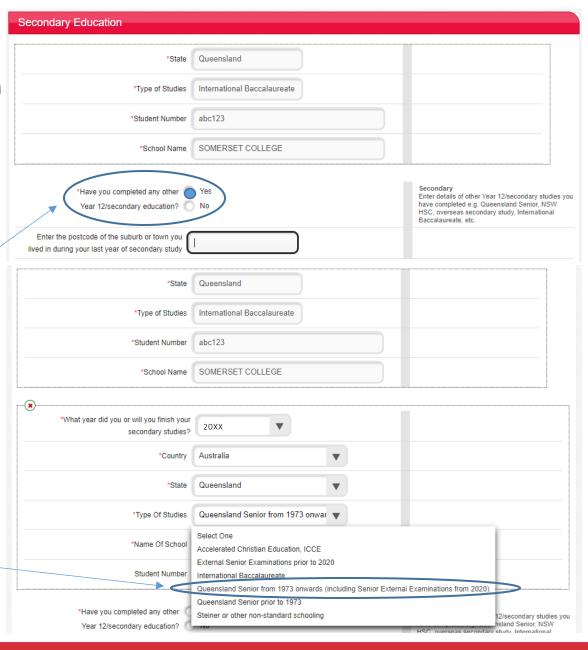
Please give permission via your school for your IB results to be released to Australian Tertiary Admissions Centres.



If you have also completed **Senior External Examination subjects**, banked in your learning accounts with the QCAA, follow Steps 3 and 4 below.

**STEP 3:** Answer **YES** to Have you completed any other Year 12 Secondary Education.

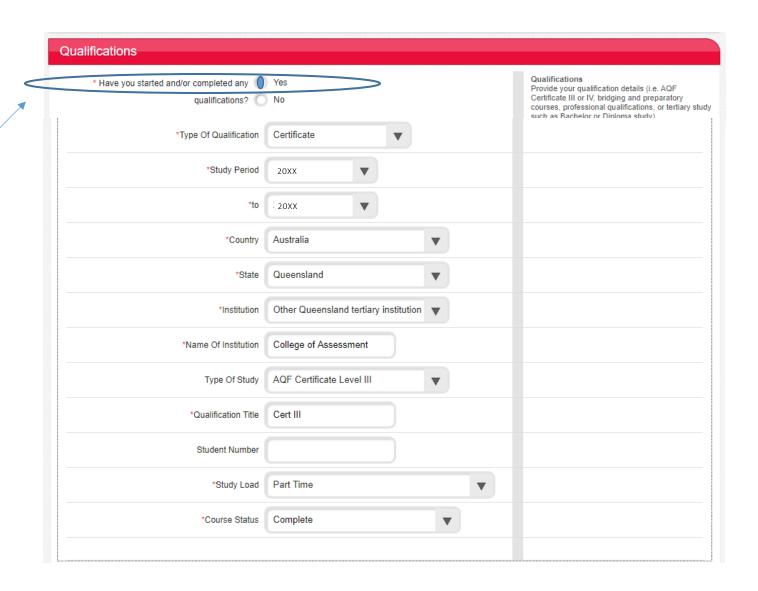
STEP 4: Complete details choosing Queensland Senior from 1973 (including Senior External Examinations from 2020)



If you have you also completed an AQF VET qualification, music or performing arts, or other qualification, complete the steps below.

**STEP 5:** Register your additional qualifications by answering **Yes** to question in the Qualifications tab and enter the details.

Students should provide supporting documents for these qualifications.







# OTHER PATHWAYS FOR TERTIARY ENTRY

QTAC administers the admissions policies of the tertiary institutions it represents. QTAC also develops schedules to promote common assessment practices, however each institution autonomously determines their admissions rules.

From 2020, QTAC has withdrawn its common VET, music and performing arts, and incomplete IB Diploma schedules, as stand-alone pathways for Year 12 students to tertiary study.

A number of Queensland institutions, however, have developed institution-specific policies and schedules for Year 12 students and QTAC will administer these on their behalf.

More information is available on QTAC's and institutions' websites.







### **Educational Access Scheme (EAS)**

- If your studies have been negatively affected by circumstances beyond your control, you can apply for EAS
- EAS can apply adjustment points to your rank to help you compete more equitably for an offer
- You can apply for EAS as part of your QTAC application
- You must include all the appropriate application forms and documentary evidence requested
- Different institutions award different adjustment factors, so one may award more or less adjustments than another

Visit <u>our website</u> for information and resources regarding EAS.



### **Other Adjustment Schemes**

Institutions offer a range of adjustment schemes that can be applied to your selection rank at the time of application, including for:

- Rural and regional schools
- School relationships
- Year 12 subjects
- Elite athletes
- Financial or educational disadvantage
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants

Visit <u>our website</u> for more information on these assistance schemes.

# Your QTAC Application

For a list of key dates for the upcoming admissions period, including application dates and offer rounds, visit <a href="mailto:qtac.edu.au/key-dates">qtac.edu.au/key-dates</a>.

For all our current fees visit <a href="qtac.edu.au/fees">qtac.edu.au/fees</a>.



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