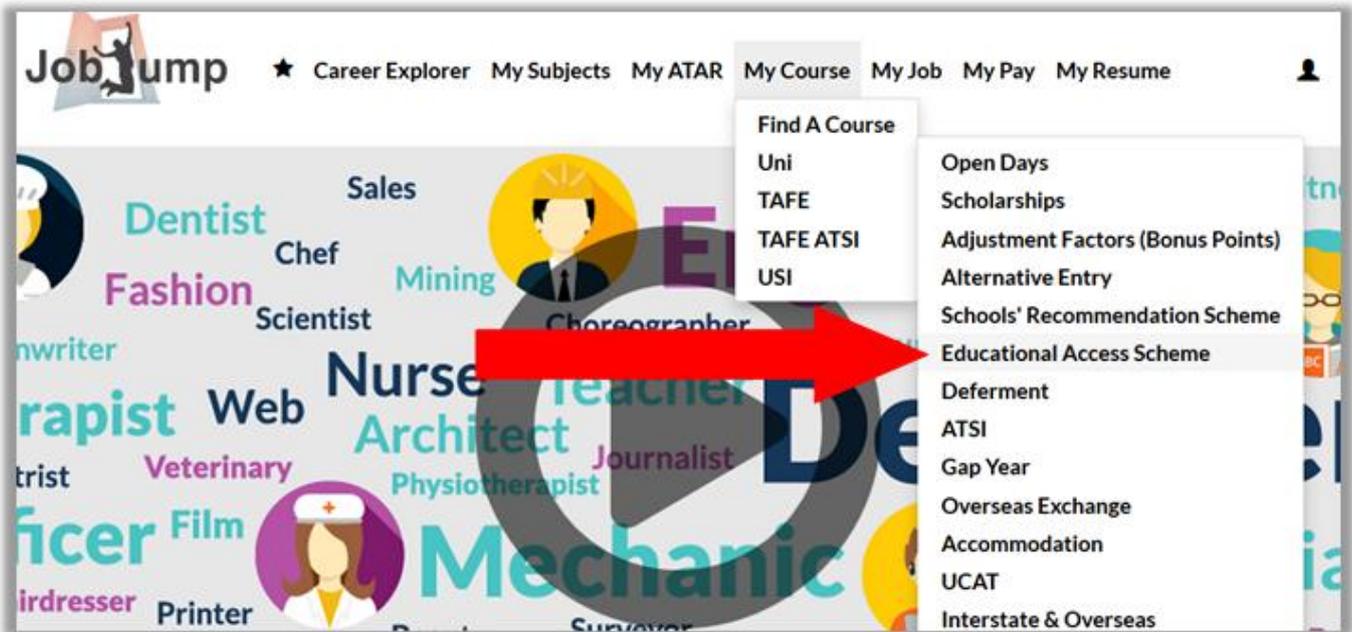


EAS Educational Access Scheme – The form and ways to do it smarter



Follow these important steps from UAC:

1. **Submit your undergraduate application through UAC.**
 2. Record your UAC Number in a safe place as you may need to use this repeatedly in your EAS Application.
 3. **In your undergraduate application, click the 'Apply for EAS' button.**
You can also apply at any time by logging in to your undergraduate application. If you're unable to complete the application online, you can [download a hardcopy application form](#). Applications and documents received by post or delivery will be scanned and uploaded for assessment at UAC. Your original application and associated supporting documents will be returned to you by regular post as they are no longer required by us.
 4. **Claim disadvantages.**
Open the first category of disadvantage and respond to each question. Select 'Save' to close the window. (Your individual responses will not be saved.) If you are eligible to claim a disadvantage, it will be added to the 'Claimed disadvantages' section. Repeat for each category of disadvantage until you have selected all the disadvantages you wish to apply. [The categories of disadvantage tables](#) detail each disadvantage, eligibility criteria and the documentation you must provide.
 5. **Download your document cover sheet for each of your claimed disadvantages.**
The document cover sheet details the eligibility criteria for the disadvantage and the supporting documentation you need to provide. It may also contain one or more of the following forms: applicant statement, educational impact statement, medical impact statement, parent/guardian declaration and authority, declaration: provision of third party health information.
 6. **Upload cover sheets and supporting documents.**
Select the upload button to upload your document cover sheet and any other supporting documentation to your application. It is in your best interest to collect all documentation prior to submitting your application so that it can be uploaded at the same time. If you're unable to upload your supporting documents, they can be submitted to UAC by post or in person once you've submitted your application. Your application cannot be assessed until supporting documentation is provided to UAC.
 7. **Accept the [declaration](#).**
 8. **Submit your EAS application** to UAC at least two weeks before the published undergraduate offer round in which you wish to be considered.
- You can only submit one EAS application in each admissions period.

Here are the broad categories for which you can apply for EAS:

Disrupted schooling	+
Financial hardship	+
Severe family disruption	+
Excessive family responsibilities	+
English language difficulty	+
Personal illness/disability	+
Refugee status	+
School environment	+

Educational Impact Statement (EIS) Requirements

Some disadvantages you may have had require you to submit an Educational Impact Statement. If you do not provide this statement, your claim may not be assessed.

Provide the person completing the educational impact statement with a copy of your applicant statement, as they are required to comment on the circumstances and accuracy of your statement. The person completing the Educational Impact Statement needs to see your Applicant Statement, or your claim may not be assessed.

The educational impact statement must:

- be completed by someone who can comment on the impact of your disadvantage on your education
- not be altered, or added to, by you in any way.

If you're a 2018 Year 12 student, the educational impact statement must:

- be completed by your school/college principal, counsellor, year adviser or careers adviser
- explain if or how the educational disadvantage you've experienced has affected your educational performance.

If you're unable to have your school complete the statement, it must be completed by a responsible person. A responsible person is a doctor, lawyer, accountant, social worker, counsellor, religious or community leader who is familiar with your circumstances and who can provide information regarding your disadvantage and its effect on your ability to study. The person must:

- not be a family member or a friend
- confirm their relationship to you
- explain if or how the educational disadvantage you've experienced has affected your educational performance.

You must also attach an explanation as to why your school can't complete the statement.

Note:

- If you need to find someone to complete the EIS, then look for them months before you need to hand the form back. They will need advanced notice to give you their best help.
- An EIS is not required for disadvantage codes: D01A, D01B, D01C, D01D, F01A, F01B, F01D, L01C, R01A, S01C, S01E, S01R.

Here is an Applicant Statement example showing what you need to fill out in your own words to explain how your disadvantage has affected your studies.

5A Applicant's Statement	
All applicants must complete this section themselves in their own words and a separate statement must be completed for each disadvantage code you are claiming.	
Disadvantage code	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
UAC application number	<input type="text"/>
Provide brief details of disadvantage	
<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	
Applicant's name (print)	_____
Applicant's signature	_____ Date _____

Here is an example of the section your EIS person completes.

5B Educational Impact Statement (EIS) - School or responsible person to complete	
See page 6 of the EAS booklet for examples of a responsible person. This person must not be related to the applicant.	
Applicants must not write in this section.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Before completing this statement, read the corresponding section in 'Categories of disadvantage' on pages 14-33 in the EAS booklet.	
An EIS is not required for disadvantage codes: D01A, D01B, D01C, D01D, F01A, F01B, F01D, L01C, R01A, S01C, S01E, S01R.	
Impact	Indicate the impact of the applicant's circumstances on their educational performance by ticking the appropriate box.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Extreme <input type="checkbox"/> Considerable <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Slight <input type="checkbox"/> Not at all
Confirmation of disadvantage	
Briefly advise if you are able to confirm the details included in the Applicant's Statement for the disadvantage the applicant claims to have experienced. Please advise if the disadvantage has/has not directly affected their educational performance in Years 11 and/or 12, or equivalent. Please sign at the end of your comments.	
Duration of disadvantage	_____ years _____ months
<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	
Details of responsible person completing the EIS	
Name (print)	_____
Position/occupation	_____
Name of organisation	_____
Address	_____
Suburb	_____ State <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> Postcode <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Daytime telephone	_____ Alternative telephone _____

HOW DOES EAS HELP ME GET INTO UNI?

Institutions use EAS to make offers of admission in one of two ways:

- by applying equity adjustments (previously referred to as bonus points) to an applicant's selection rank
- by allocating places to eligible EAS applicants.

Equity adjustments

All participating institutions (except University of Technology Sydney, which allocates places to eligible applicants - see over) use EAS assessments to apply equity adjustments that increase an applicant's selection rank.

Equity adjustments do not change your ATAR. Instead, they change your selection rank for a particular course. As the adjustment factor schemes for each institution, and often for each course at the same institution, are different, your selection rank can be different for each course you list in your course preferences.

Unlike subject or regional adjustment factor schemes, UAC does not disclose to applicants details of how their EAS application is considered in conjunction with their university application.

The application of equity adjustments doesn't guarantee you entry to an institution or course, as you still need to meet any published lowest selection rank and compete with all other applicants for a place.

Example

Course A has six applicants and only three places available. The six applicants have the following selection ranks:

Applicant	Selection rank
1	89.00 (ATAR of 89.00)
2	88.00 (ATAR of 87.00 plus adjustment of 1 point)
3	87.00 (ATAR of 83.00 plus adjustment of 4 points)
4	86.00 (ATAR of 86.00)
5	85.00 (ATAR of 83.00 plus adjustment of 2 points)
6	84.00 (ATAR of 84.00)

Offers will be made to applicants 1, 2 and 3. Applicant 4 will not receive an offer even though that applicant has an ATAR higher than applicant 3. The lowest selection rank for Course A will be 87.00.

Note: UTS has a separate method. To learn more go to the end of the information in this link below:

<https://www.uac.edu.au/assets/documents/eas/eas-how-does-eas-help-me.pdf>

