THE NEXT STAGE

2023 HSC Students

TERTIARY REALITIES - general observations

- Most careers are NOT linear
- It is NOT school tertiary study- job (live happily ever after)
- ► There are many pathways into university studies
- Flexible boundaries between courses (transfer from one course to another)
- Flexible boundaries between institutions (transfer from on institution to another institution.) This can include credit transfer
- Vocational learning (TAFE and apprenticeships) may be a realistic and rewarding option

UAC - Universities Admission Centre

- UAC determines university entrance on behalf of the universities and other institutions.
- Creates Student ATARS (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank) from the HSC results (from NESA)
- Manages the
 - **SRS** (Schools Recommendations Scheme)
 - EAS (Educational Access Scheme) and
 - **EQUITY** Scholarships

UAC guide provides information on public universities and private colleges. Follow UAC on Instagram

FEES - 4 types of payment

- CSP Commonwealth Supported Place- HECS-HELP
- Cost of the course is heavily funded by the government.
- paid back through the taxation an individual pays once they start earning \$45,000 approx. (subject to change)
- ▶ 4 student contribution bands currently. Some examples are below
- Band 1 \$3985.00 English, Maths, education, clinical psychology, foreign languages, nursing, statistics
- **Band 2** -\$8021.00 computing, built environment, allied health, other health, engineering, science, environmental science, pathology, visual and performing arts, professional pathway social work
- Band 3 -\$11,401 dentistry, medicine, and vet science
- **Band 4** \$14,630 Law, accounting, administration, economics, commerce, communications, society and culture

DFEE Domestic fee payer - FEE-HELP

- Usually cost more than CSP as no subsidy from Govt. Paid up front.
- Many private providers (colleges) have been included in the UAC book. This can be confusing as these are courses where the FULL cost of the course is paid by the student, plus interest.
- Payment for many private courses can be borrowed from the Commonwealth Govt. (called FEE-HELP or VET student loans) and paid back through taxation once the person starts earning currently \$45,000 (approximately).
- This system is also applied to TAFE Diplomas (Smart and Skilled) and private college diplomas

RESOURCES to assist research

- UAC guide and My UAC APP
- Directory Undergraduate Adjustment Factors for Year 12 Subjects
- Online
 - ▶ <u>www.killarneyheightshscareers.com.au</u>
 - www.uac.edu.au lists course details, prerequisites, assumed knowledge and careers (includes "find a course" and "course compass"
 - ► https://www.qilt.edu.au/ compares uni degrees and courses
 - <u>www.myfuture.edu.au</u> parents can register
 - University websites and publications

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

► Google Careers Classroom code (for Year 12 students)

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ADJUSTMENT FACTORS bonus points ATAR + adjustment factors = selection rank

- Region- e.g. ACU- 5 ATAR points to Killarney Heights students
 Macquarie Uni- 5 ATAR points to a huge number of postcodes (called Catchment Adjustment Factors)
- Subject -get a band 6, 5 and even 4 in certain subjects and receive extra ATAR points in certain courses e.g. band 6 in Design and Tech and UTS will give you 5 points for all design courses (band 5 you receive 4 points)Many universities do this (but not all and not in all courses). Unis have a limit on adjustment factor points you can receive (usually 5 but can be up to 10 depending on the university).
- ▶ Elite Athletes and Performers individual application required by universities and they judge on a case by case basis.
- **Educational Access Scheme** some students can apply for extra points based on a long term (eg 6 months) educational disadvantage. Need evidence

Educational Access Scheme (EAS)

▶ With this scheme students can gain entry into a course even if they have a lower ATAR (up to 10 in extreme cases) than the ATAR lowest selection rank. With this online application students must demonstrate that performance has been affected by certain circumstances that have disadvantaged them in their senior years.

- Students must provide evidence of disadvantage
- (eg report from psychologist, Doctor)

Educational Access Scheme (EAS)

This could include:-

- Disrupted schooling (changed schools a number of times)
- Financial Hardship (usually indicated by receipt of Centrelink benefits eg Family Tax Benefit A)
- Severe family disruption (maybe divorce or separation with disruption)
- Excessive family responsibilities (e.g. responsibilities for younger siblings or helping in a family business)
- ▶ Personal illness/disability both physical and/or psychological
- ▶ English language difficulty due to recent arrival to Australia
- Arriving in Australia as a refugee
- Studying a course through distance education or through Open High School

SCHOOL RECOMMENDATION SCHEME

- Some universities have schemes whereby candidates apply and receive offers before results are released.
- For 11 universities the process involves UAC (called SRS) in 2022 these included: (may change in 2023)
 - Macquarie University
 - * * University of Technology Sydney (EAS)
 - * * University of Sydney (E12 and EAS)
 - * * Western Sydney University
 - * * University of New England
 - * * University of Canberra
 - * * University of Newcastle
 - Charles Sturt University
 - Australian Catholic University

Early Entry Schemes with direct application

- Australian Catholic University
- Community Achiever, Passion for Law / Passion for Business
- Macquarie University
- Usually offer Leadership Entry
- Uni of Wollongong
- UOW Early Admission

Scholarships

Many different types eg

- Industry (often called Co-op) Engineering, Commerce and IT
- merit, (high ATARS)
- equity (through UAC)
- many others through universities (before and after enrolment)
- teach.nsw.edu.au
- Find them on university websites and publications

SCHOLARSHIPS

Students need to

- get involved in extracurricular activities
- Work part time
- Participate in community service (3months, 6months or more)
- Play a team sport (Basketball/netball/cricket) or an individual sport (tennis, cycling)
- Join a volunteer service (eg Rural Fire Service) Disability support, Scouts, Charity support services (St Vinnies, Lifeline), retirement homes, the local library
- Learn a language
- Participate in the band or work on the technical side (sound) or help at the musical
- ► Fundraising activities in the community or at school

Alternative Entry

- Some universities have private colleges as an entry point
- UTS Insearch MQ Uni International College Duiploma WSU The College Uni Foundation Studies
- Macquarie has "Next Step" and internal transfer
- STAT test -(Special Tertiary Admissions Test) most unis(usually at least a year after HSC studies)
- ► TAFE tertiary preparation course or accumulate HSC subjects
- TAFE Diploma (even Cert IV) can enable access to university
- Uni of Newcastle "Newstep" (takes one year and is free)
- Private colleges have arrangements with some universities
- Notre Dame University application and interview also "Young Achievers -Early Offer"

Other pathways to a degree

Degrees at TAFE - TAFE colleges offer degree courses in areas such as :- Fashion Design, 3D Art and Animation, Interior Design, Business, Early Childhood Education and Care, Property Valuation, Info Tech(Data infrastructure Engineering)

Degrees at private colleges eg Torrens University, ICMS, Macleay College.

Time line -2023

(all dates and times are subject to change)

APRIL

- UAC PIN arrives to student's DET email
- Educational Access Scheme (EAS) application
- School Recommendation Scheme application

SEPT

- All courses available to HSC students online
- on time applications close- \$73 fee (\$200 after this date) (2022 fees)
- EAS applications due (up to 30 Nov applicants will receive an eligibility letter)

NOV

- SRS applications close
- final date to determine SRS first preference
- School Recommendation Scheme offers

Apprenticeships/Traineeships

- Learn and earn-earn at work \$\$\$, learn at TAFE or private college
- No ATAR
- Nationally recognised qualification Certificate 2, 3 0r 4 (Australian Qualifications Framework)
- Gain skills and industry experience
- Start up and own your own business(be the boss)

Where to look?

Internet e.g. seek, indeed, jobsearch, careerone

Group Training Companies e.g.

Master Builders Association, Motor traders Association
Master Plumbers Apprentices
Australian Training Group
NECA group

Contact companies where you would like to work Speak to family and friends (contacts)

TAFE -Technical and Further Education

- Vocational training (vocational means work or job)
- Practical courses in:- *information technology
 *art and design, *animal care, *building trades,
 *business and management, *children's services,
 *cookery and hospitality *aged care and nursing,
 *Tourism *Engineering
- ► TAFE courses range from pre-apprenticeship, Certificate 1 to Certificate 4 then Diploma, Advanced Diploma up to a Degree.

TAFE (cont)

- Research online. Start researching before the end of your HSC
- Apply (in most cases) online, you may have to attend an information session (often in November).
- All TAFE colleges have Course and Career Counsellors
- Costs vary greatly and many are government subsidised under Smart and Skilled scheme for Certificate 2,3, and 4 (especially for school leavers)
- ▶ VET Student Loans available for many diploma courses.
- ► TAFE is all about preparing people for employment.

CONTACT

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- ▶ Phone the school 9451 7005 ext 107 or email to make an appointment
- ► GOOGLE CLASSROOM Careers YEAR 12 CODE IS 4ibz3at
- ▶ (for students)
- Career Newsletter is available on careers website
- https://www.killarneyheightshscareers.com/

QUESTIONS

School Careers Website is

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