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International Baccalaureate Admissions Score (IBAS)

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Results for the International Baccalaureate Diploma were released by the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO) on 2 January 2022 (UK time zone).

On 4 January from 12 pm (midday) the IBAS was released by QTAC via a personal email to Queensland students who opted in to receive their IBAS. Individual states are responsible for releasing the IBAS to their students.

There are currently 14 schools in Queensland who offer the International Baccalaureate qualification. Some have small numbers of students taking the IB Diploma while others have IB as their main program for senior study. In 2022 approximately 650 Queensland are expected to complete their IB Diploma.

What is changing

For IB Diploma graduates from November 2022 (and beyond) there has been a change across Australia in the way in which IB Diploma results for domestic applicants are assessed by Tertiary Admissions Centres (TACs) for ranking purposes for admission to university courses commencing in 2023. This change is the introduction of the International Baccalaureate Admissions Score, or **IBAS**.

Working with the IBO, TACs now have access to more detailed data about the performance of IB students. Using this data a new common process has been developed that will be used by all TACs to calculate the **IBAS**. The process uses scaled total marks from all subjects to differentiate between IB students on the same IB score. The new [Combined Rank Schedule](#) provides more conversion points, meaning IB students can apply in any Australian state or territory with confidence about how their selection rank compares to their peers who have completed state curricula and received an ATAR.

The calculation of the IBAS does not change the student's IB Diploma results in any way. It is not a measure of academic achievement but, like the ATAR, simply a measure that can be used towards calculating a **selection rank** for tertiary course selection. The real measure of achievement for IB students is of course their actual IB Diploma results. The same way QCE results and VET qualifications are measures of achievement for year 12 graduates who completed state curricula.

Useful links

- International Baccalaureate (IB) studies - <https://www.qtac.edu.au/ib-studies/>

- ACTAC IBAS Factsheet - https://www.qtac.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/IB_combined_rank_changes_fact_sheet_2022.pdf
- Queensland ATAR information - <https://www.qtac.edu.au/atar/>

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ABOUT QTAC

The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) operates a centralised tertiary application service for 16 higher education providers in Queensland and Northern New South Wales, across both undergraduate and postgraduate admissions. QTAC has been providing potential students and education institutions, employers and governments with the opportunity to connect and create long lasting productive relationships over the past 40 years, by delivering a range of education opportunities