

Calculating special entry ranks

- > For courses where the **STAT is compulsory** but neither personal competencies nor employment experience are considered, your special entry rank is your STAT rank.
- > For courses where the **STAT is compulsory and personal competencies and/or employment experience are considered** (except Business and Health Sciences programs at the University of South Australia (see below)), your special entry rank is a percentage (either 50, 60, 70 or 80%) of your STAT rank plus a percentage (either 50, 40, 30 or 20%) of the best (or better) of **either** your STAT rank **or** your personal competencies rank **or** your employment experience rank (if both are considered). See examples below.
- > For **Business and Health Science programs at the University of South Australia** where the **STAT is compulsory and personal competencies and/or employment experience are considered**, your special entry rank is 100% of your STAT rank plus 10% of your personal competencies rank plus 10% of your employment experience rank (if both are considered).
- > For **Charles Darwin University** courses:
 - a) if you choose **only** to sit the STAT ie not to submit a personal competencies statement nor information about your employment experience, your special entry rank is your STAT rank;
 - b) if you choose to sit the STAT **and** to submit a personal competencies statement **and/or** information about your employment experience, your special entry rank is 50% of your STAT rank plus 50% of the best (or better) of **either** your STAT rank **or** your personal competencies rank or your employment experience rank (if both are submitted);
 - c) if you choose **not** to sit the STAT but instead to submit a personal competencies statement **and/or** information about your employment experience, your special entry rank will be based on your personal competencies rank **and/or** your employment experience rank (if both are submitted).
- > For **Flinders University** courses:
 - a) if you have **not** completed a recognised bridging or tertiary preparation course (including the Flinders Foundation Course), your special entry rank is based on your STAT rank possibly augmented by your personal competencies rank and/or your employment experience rank. See above for details;
 - b) if you have completed the Flinders Foundation Course, your special entry rank is your bridging rank based on your level of achievement within the course as determined by Flinders University;
 - c) if you have completed any other recognised bridging or tertiary preparation course, your special entry rank is your bridging rank based on the length of the completed course;
 - d) if you have undertaken the STAT **and** completed a recognised bridging or tertiary preparation course (including the Flinders Foundation Course), your special entry rank is the best (or better) of the ranks as described in a), b) and c) above.
- > For courses which use **other criteria** such as performance in an audition, your other criteria score will contribute to your special entry rank.

Example 1

For **Course X**, the STAT is compulsory and both personal competencies and employment experience are considered.

The percentages are 60:40.

Student A has the following ranks: STAT 68; personal competencies 80; employment experience 72

Student A's special entry rank for Course X = $68 \text{ (STAT rank)} \times 60\% + 80 \text{ (best of 3 ranks)} \times 40\% = 40.8 + 32 = \mathbf{72.8}$

Student B has the following ranks: STAT 68; personal competencies 60; employment experience nil

Student B's special entry rank for Course X = $68 \text{ (STAT rank)} \times 60\% + 68 \text{ (best of 3 ranks)} \times 40\% = 40.8 + 27.2 = \mathbf{68.0}$

Note that, although both Student A and Student B have the same STAT rank, Student A received a higher special entry rank for Course X; but note also that Student B's special entry rank was not lower than the STAT rank. In other words, a personal competencies or employment experience rank can enhance your STAT rank but a poor or non-existent personal competencies or employment experience rank cannot reduce it.

Example 2

For **Course Y**, the STAT is compulsory, employment experience is considered but not personal competencies.

The percentages are 50:50.

Student A has the following ranks: STAT 68; personal competencies 80; employment experience 72

Student A's special entry rank for Course Y = $68 \text{ (STAT rank)} \times 50\% + 72 \text{ (better of 2 ranks)} \times 50\% = 34 + 36 = \mathbf{70.0}$

Student B has the following ranks: STAT 68; personal competencies 60; employment experience nil

Student B's special entry rank for Course Y = $68 \text{ (STAT rank)} \times 50\% + 68 \text{ (better of 2 ranks)} \times 50\% = 34 + 34 = \mathbf{68.0}$

Note that, although Student A's personal competencies rank of 80 was the best rank, it is not used in the calculation of the special entry rank for Course Y because the course does not consider personal competencies ranks.