Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA)

UAC has replaced the Educational Access Schemes (EAS) S01E school list with Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) to identify Low Socio-Economic Status (LSES) applicants for undergraduate admission.

SEIFA is a product developed by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) that ranks areas in Australia according to relative socio-economic advantage and disadvantage.

The change from state-based school lists to SEIFA means that a standard methodology can be applied to all applicants regardless of school sector and provide national coverage for interstate applicants and non-Year 12 applicants.

Why was S01E replaced?	 S01E excluded LSES applicants from: 70% of NSW public schools all interstate schools all non-Year 12 applicants. SEIFA identifies all LSES applicants, regardless of where they live, or attend school, in Australia.
How does SEIFA work?	UAC will identify all applicants with a residential address in the lowest 25% of areas, as ranked by the SEIFA index, and apply an EAS adjustment to support their application for admission.
How do I know if I'm eligible?	All undergraduate applicants who are eligible for an EAS adjustment on the basis of their SEIFA classification will be notified via email the day after they've submitted a UAC application for undergraduate admission.
How do I apply for SEIFA?	There is no need to apply for SEIFA consideration as UAC will automatically geocode the addresses of all UAC undergraduate applicants and allocate an EAS adjustment to eligible applicants.



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