University Ranking Guidelines

Each university is given a ranking from 1 to 7. The meaning of the ranking is as follows. The ratings are for quality of undergraduate students, rather than research strength. These meanings are intended as guidelines to help assign and use the rankings in a consistent fashion, rather than a restrict criteria for admitting particular students from the universities.

7. Top 50% of their students above our admission threshold. (E.g., top undergraduate programs in US.)
6. Top 20% of their students above admission threshold, top 4% fellowship quality.
5. Top 8% above threshold, top 1.5% fellowship quality.
4. Top 3% above threshold, top 0.5% fellowship quality.
3. Top 1% above threshold.
2. Only truly extraordinary students of such universities above our admission threshold
1. No need to consider applicants from such universities