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### CAREER INFORMATION BULLETIN

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### A reminder - You will need a Unique Student Identifier (USI)

All students wanting to continue on with their studies and/or learning after school, (Apprenticeship, Traineeship, VET Certificate, Diploma or Undergraduate degree) and wanting to access Commonwealth financial assistance (Help or VET Loans) will need to get a Unique Student Identifier (USI). This is easily done online however, you will need to have a form of ID when you apply. Click <u>here</u> to find out what a USI is, how to apply and what ID is acceptable (your school ID is not accepted). Get your USI soon and don't leave it till the last minute when you are applying for your course.

### Something to think about

Announcements

"In a world where you can be anything, be kind." —Jennifer Dukes Lee

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### Apprenticeships & Traineeships

### Australian apprenticeships advice and support

The Australian Apprenticeships <u>website</u> has advice and support to assist you when looking for, applying for and successfully completing your apprenticeship. On the website you can find information about:

- Apprenticeships
  - Types of apprenticeships
  - What is an Apprentice Connect Australia Provider
- Apprentices
  - How to find and prepare for an apprenticeship
  - Starting your apprenticeship
  - o Completing an apprenticeship and what is next
- Support and resources
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- Tools
  - o Incentives Explorer
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  - o Preparation checklist
  - o Apprenticeships priority list explorer

### It's time to start looking for that apprenticeship!

<u>The Queensland Government's website</u> has valuable information if you are looking for an apprenticeship or traineeship after school. There are two broad types of employers for apprenticeships – an individual employer or a Group Training Organisation (GTO). GTO's pay your wages and organise your formal training but place you with host employers for your actual on-the-job training. Below are strategies you can use to find employers:

- Search the Internet for relevant websites
- Contact GTO's near you find a list of Queensland GTOs here
- Scan school and community notice boards

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- Approach previous employers e.g. from work experience or part-time work (take a copy of your resume with you)
- Visit your school VET coordinator and Guidance Counsellor/Officer
- Talk to Australian Apprenticeships search for the one located near you <u>here</u> or ring the info line at 13 38 73

Most importantly, check out your social network (parents, extended family, neighbours and friends' parents). Usually there is someone who knows someone who might be looking for an apprentice. Don't be afraid to approach employers who have not advertised a vacancy. It is said that up to a third of jobs are obtained through contacts rather than advertisements. Approaching employers who have not advertised a vacancy is called 'cold calling'. Find out more about cold calling <u>here</u>.

### **Skilling Australia**

Gaining and/or having the skills that companies require are changing all the time. This makes the need to reskill or upskill more vital than ever. <u>This short video</u> provides an industry perspective on the changing world of work. The following links will be of assistance.

- I want to be an apprentice
- <u>Australian Apprenticeship Support Network</u>
- Fair Work Ombudsman

### Training sites for apprenticeships and traineeships

As part of your apprenticeship or traineeship you will be required to complete some off the job training. The links below provide great information:

- <u>Apprenticeships & Traineeships</u>
- <u>Australian Apprenticeships Pathways</u>
- Group Training Australia
- My Skills
- Queensland Skills Gateway
- <u>Training</u>

### **VET courses in Queensland?**

One source of this information is the <u>Queensland Skills Gateway website</u>. Use the training course search function on the site, enter the field of work (e.g. carpentry), the level of the course (e.g. All) and the industry (e.g. Construction). While the website's focus is vocational education and training (VET), it does include an occupational search function that has information on a broader range of careers and other helpful sites.

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### Australian Defence Force

### Australian Defence Force (ADF) Information Sessions

The Australian Defence Force holds career information sessions across Queensland highlighting a number of different ADF career pathways. For details about the following events and for information on Army Reserve Information Sessions, visit the <u>Defence Jobs Australia Facebook site</u>. Click on the link below to find out more and register to attend:

- ADF Careers Information session video
- <u>RMC Information Session video</u>
- <u>Army Reserve information session video</u>
- <u>Army General Entry Information Session video</u>
- <u>Navy Officer Information Session video</u>
- <u>Navy Technical Trades Information Session video</u>
- 20/08/2024 Gladstone: Defence Careers Information Session

Maroochydore Navy Careers Information Session

Gold Coast Army Reserve Information Session

21/08/2024 Brisbane Navy Careers Information Session

**Gympie Defence Careers Information Session** 

- 23/08/2024 Biloela Defence Careers Information Session
- 27/08/2024 Maroochydore Army Reserve Information Session

Townsville Army Reserve Information Session

Toowoomba Army Reserve Information Session

Brisbane Army Reserve Information Session

- 28/08/2024 Cairns Navy Careers Information Session
- 29/08/2024 Gold Coast Navy Careers Information Session
- 02/09/2024 Brisbane Defence Careers Information Session
- 03/09/2024 Cairns Defence Careers Information Session

**Townsville Defence Careers Information Session** 

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Caloundra Defence Careers Information Session

Gold Coast Defence Careers Information Session

04/09/2024 Maroochydore Trade Careers Information Session Mount Isa Defence Careers Information Session

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### Career quiz to give you some ideas

**Career Exploration** 

Career quizzes are not designed to give you a definite answer about what you should do but they can give you some fresh ideas to research. Explore Careers free quiz will help you discover the Australian industries and careers that you can research. The quiz results will tell you about companies that you could work for. <u>Click here</u> to start the quiz.

### **Career road test**

It's hard to sort through your ideas and options for study and jobs in your future. JobJumpstart suggest that when buying a car, most people will shop around, look at different models and do a few test drives before making a decision. You can take the same approach when it comes to making decisions about your career. The Australian Government has developed a workbook that will help you to investigate your chosen industry or occupation and then to think about how your research impacts on your career plans. <u>Click here</u> to access the booklet and start planning.

### Certificate IV in Entrepreneurship and New Business through UQ Skills

If you are in Year 11 or 12 in 2025 you can undertake the Certificate IV in Entrepreneurship and New Business. You will gain the practical, hands-on skills to think like an entrepreneur. Discover how to think creatively and identify business opportunities, conduct market research, find a good product-market fit, and develop strategic business plans. Click <u>here</u> for more information and talk to your VET coordinator at school.

### Job stories that shed light on career options

Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority have put together career stories from past Year 12 school leavers. Click here to find out about:

- Plant Pathologist
- Agricultural Researcher
- Senior Program Officer Public policy
- Paramedic
- Chef
- Astrophysics PhD student
- Architect

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- SES volunteer and future firefighter
- Trainee nurse
- Aspiring music teacher
- Aspiring actor

### Learning pathways made simple

A bit confused about the different available pathways after school? SkillsRoad.com.au have put together a simple summary to get you started in your pathway research. Click <u>here</u> to find out about the:

- University learning pathway
- Apprenticeships and Traineeships pathways
- Vocational Education and Training (VET ) pathways

### Making your dream career a reality

JobJumpstart has put together an <u>article</u> with hints and tips for finding that dream job. If you are interested in a specific career or want to find out whether a job is right for you, then following these five steps could increase your chances of making your dream job a reality:

Step 1. Do your research

- Step 2. Watch day-in-the-life videos for an idea of what it's really like to work in a particular job
- Step 3. Match your skills and aptitudes to those required for the job
- Step 4. Link with employers

Step 5. Connect with training

### Myfuture free pathways' webinars

Myfuture are hosting the following free webinars. Early registration is advised and you can <u>click</u> here to register.

- 28 August: Navigating your post-school plans with confidence 7pm
- 12 September: Coping with emotional challenges in career development R U OK? Day 2024 at 1pm
- 19 November: The many ingredients of employability: The Employability Capital Growth Model at 12:00pm

### Selecting senior school subjects in Year 10

There is a lot to consider when choosing senior school subjects while having potential careers in mind. *myfuture* provides information to help you navigate this process, including an article which offers tips on

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selecting subjects for Years 11 and 12 and how parents and carers can assist. These articles are only a guide and you should talk with your Guidance Officer/Career Counsellor/Head of Curriculum if you have specific subject selection questions.

- How to select senior school subjects
- Help your child choose school subjects.

### Wanting to know more about language?

Learning a second or third language opens your eyes to a whole new world. If you are interested in languages but don't have the desire to learn another one, a foreign language is not the only path you can take. Many courses are available in English, linguistics, applied linguistics, interpreting and translating which all look at human language in very different ways.

For more information about careers and education in this field, visit the Australian Federation of <u>Modern</u> <u>Language Teachers Associations</u>, <u>Australian Linguistic Society</u> and <u>National Accreditation Authority for</u> <u>Translators and Interpreters</u> websites. If you are interested in general study of language and culture, you might want to check out university offerings in communications and humanities and social sciences. Find out more <u>here</u>.

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### BUFTA - Win a scholarship to Bond closing soon

Submissions for Bond University's Film and Television Awards (BUFTA) are now open and will close on 16 September 2024. BUFTA is a short film competition for students in Years 11 and 12. The first prize is a full-fee scholarship to study Bachelor of Film and Television at Bond. Find out more about the competition, hints on how to develop your short film and entry details at the Bond <u>website</u>.

### **Flickerfest Australian Youth and School Competition 2025**

FLICKERFEST, Australia's premier international short film festival, will be held at Sydney's famous Bondi Beach in January 2025. FlickerUp 2025 competition is an Australian Youth & Schools Competition which screens at Flickerfest. It is open to films from students enrolled in secondary schools in Australia and individuals 18 years & under. Films must be under 35mins, completed in the last 2 years. FlickerUp submissions are due in on Wednesday 20th November 2024. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- Entry details
- Flickerfest 2025 FlickerUp Awards
- Eligibility
- Terms and Conditions

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### Disabilities

### Employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities

*Become* has written an article for students with disabilities who are researching employment opportunities and whether or not to disclose a disability when applying for work. Today's job market is vast and accommodates people with a wide range of skills, interests, talents, goals and abilities. A disability, whether physical or mental, should not limit anyone's career aspirations or job prospects. Finding success and satisfaction at work is ultimately about identifying your interests and where your strongest attributes and skills lie. Although this is an American organisation the information can be relevant in the Australian context. Click <u>here</u> to read more about:

- What to look for in a job
- Employment and disclosing a disability
- Expert advice on if and when to disclose
- Challenges and rights for workers with disabilities
- Challenges that may still exist
- Expert advice on asking employers for accommodations
- Find the program you want in minutes

### **School Leaver Employment Support (SLES)**

School leaver Employment Support help participants who have difficulties in the areas of learning, social interaction and self-management to move from school to work and are available in the final years of school and directly after leaving school. Providers who deliver school leaver employment supports help young people prepare, look for and gain employment. They provide meaningful, individualised capacity building activities so young people can achieve their employment goals. As part of managing a participant's employment barriers, providers can:

- support a participant's unique pathway to employment
- help foster partnerships and goodwill in the local community
- use their professional networks to engage and connect with employers.

Click <u>here</u> for more information.

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### Employment, Job and Labour Market Info

### Careers in computer science and IT

From dealing with big data to protecting against cyber threats is what a job in the thriving tech industry could look like. Explore careers you can pursue with a degree in computer science <u>here</u>.

### Does a Bachelor of Arts degree lead to a great job?

Bachelor of Arts degrees have an undeserved reputation for leading 'nowhere'. Sure you'll broaden your mind with challenging ideas but many think that you won't pick up vocational skills in the same way that, say, a commerce or law student might. But the truth is that roughly 66 per cent of Australian employed graduates hold a <u>Bachelor of Arts degree</u> — including a majority of workers at the 100 largest public companies. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about where a Bachelor of Arts can take you including:

- What are the top 5 sectors can I work in with a BA degree?
- What are some specific roles I could consider?
- A BA doesn't make you an also-ran
- Who's looking for grads with BA's

### Interested in being a police officer?

Visit the Queensland Police Recruiting <u>website</u> to begin your exploration. Click on Join QPS for information about the entry requirements and determining suitability. To be eligible to apply to become a Queensland Police Service Recruit, you must first successfully complete the QPS Entrance Assessments (QPSea). They state that while advice from family, friends and serving police may be well intended, you must rely on the current and specific information available from Police Recruiting for the Application Requirements and recruiting assessments.

### Is your first job one for life? Probably not!

The idea of a 'job for life' doesn't really fit with the future of work. With so much change on the horizon, flexibility and a proactive approach is key. So, what can young people do to find job security in an ever-changing world? This short <u>video</u> talks about the world of work now and in the future and how young people can best be prepared.

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### **Pilot aptitude test**

Do you want to be a pilot but not sure if you're suited for the job? If you are unsure about your aptitude to be a pilot, you could investigate sitting for a pilot aptitude assessment at Aviation Australia. Find out more and book a test on the Pilot Aptitude Assessment <u>website</u>.

### **That Careers Show Podcast**

The Australian Centre for Career Education (ACCE) recently launched <u>That Careers Show</u> podcast, with new episodes now available on Spotify. The podcast explores the fascinating world of careers. They uncover the hidden gems, share inspiring stories and provide valuable insights into career education and development as a lifelong process. Check them out!

### The Most In-Demand Jobs on LinkedIn for July

If you are curious about broader labor market trends, click <u>here</u> to read Linkedin's full rankings and reflections on the most in-demand jobs including:

- What are the most in-demand jobs right now?
- Jobs with the fastest-growing demand: Sales and customer service roles rise to the top
- Jobs with the fastest growing demand
- Most in-demand jobs overall
- Most In-Demand Jobs (Q2 2024)

### Ways to develop your 'soft skills'

Soft skills are just as important as qualifications but you can't do a 'soft skills' course as such. There are several ways of developing your soft skills and SkillsRoad.com.au have put together some ideas to get you started including:

- What are your soft skills?
- Soft skills for the future
- Hobbies to hone in your soft skills
- How to improve your soft skills
- Work readiness workbooks

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### Financial Assistance & Scholarships

### Applying for university scholarships - why not!

Even if you think you may not get one, go ahead and apply for a scholarship. What do you have to lose? Scholarships tend to fall into one of the following categories:

- Academic
- Equity
- Indigenous
- Sports
- Field of study (e.g. engineering, IT)
- International
- External (e.g. sponsored by an organisation outside of the university)

Every university has a scholarship web page with details about the scholarships available, the scholarship value, selection criteria and the application process. The initial application for many university scholarships is online, followed by a submission of supporting documents. You never know your luck!

### Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust (AVCAT) Scholarships and Bursaries

<u>AVCAT</u> is a national independent charity that helps the children and grandchildren of ex-service men and women with the costs of full-time tertiary education. Applications for 2025 scholarships and bursaries are now open and will close on 31 October 2024. Applicants need only complete one application form to be considered for all scholarships and bursaries available through AVCAT. It is advisable to start preparing your documents ASAP as this may take some time. Click <u>here</u> for more information on:

- Scholarships
- To be eligible
- How is my application assessed?
  - Financial need
  - o Academic potential
  - o Deservedness
- FAQ's

### Finding out about financial support after school?

The Australian Government Services Australia provides tools to help you explore payments and get the latest information about changes for students. You can:

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- explore payments based on your situation using Payment and Service Finder
- estimate and compare payments and services using their <u>online estimators</u>
- subscribe to <u>News for Higher Education</u> to get important information and updates about student payments

### Griffith Uni's Vice Chancellor's Academic Achievement Scholarship

Griffith Uni's Vice Chancellor's Academic Achievement Scholarship is offered to outstanding students commencing their first-ever undergraduate degree in 2024. The Vice Chancellor's Academic Achievement Scholarships will be focused on excellence and will also consider the barriers to education that students have faced. Scholarship recipients will also be offered membership to the <u>Griffith Honours College</u>. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about these scholarships including:

- Value
- Eligibility,
- How to apply
- Award details
- Terms and conditions
- Offer process

Applications for Trimester 1 2025 close on 16 December 2024.

### New Griffith College Scholarship coming in 2025

The Griffith College's Class of 2024 Scholarship for Trimester 1, 2025 is valued at \$10,000. This scholarship will support a Year 12 graduate to pursue their dream career through higher education. This is a non-academic merit-based scholarship. Applications close Wednesday 25 September 2024. Click here for more information and how to apply.

### **QUT Indigenous Australian Scholarship**

This Faculty of Science Indigenous Australian <u>scholarship</u> provides financial support and can open doors to a world of opportunities. It fosters further opportunities by supporting and engaging students in other structured programs such as the Indigenous Australian Research Training Scheme (IARTS).

### **QUT Scholarship for Women and Non-Binary People**

The Faculty of Science Scholarship for Women and Non-Binary People supports high-achieving female and non-binary students who are starting their first year of an undergraduate degree in Science, Mathematics or IT. It also aims to foster leadership and networking by encouraging recipients to contribute to and participate in the diversity, inclusion and belonging initiatives of the Faculty of Science and student clubs. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

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### **QUT Scholarship for Women in Mathematics**

The <u>Adeline Arts & Science Scholarship for Women in Mathematics</u> is a great opportunity for female students who are passionate about mathematics and want to pursue a career in this field of study. The scholarship provides financial support, automatic membership in the <u>QUT College of Excellence</u> and a supportive academic environment to help students succeed.

### **QUT Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship**

QUT is one of five Australian universities that offer the <u>Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship</u>. Valued up to \$5,000 per year for up to three years, and an additional \$5,000 to cover the cost of attending the Westpac Disruptive Leaders Program. It also allows entry into the <u>QUT College of Excellence</u>, the Westpac 100 Scholars Network and access to enrichment programs that develop leadership potential and kickstart a career.

### **QUT's Women in Engineering Scholarship**

No application is needed for QUT's Women in Engineering scholarship for 2025 as you will be automatically considered when you put in your QTAC application. The scholarship is valued at \$6,000, paid over two years. Students who identify as female, plan to start university in 2025 and who have QUT Engineering as their first preference will be considered. Find out more <u>here</u>.

### Scholarships offered by organisations and Australian Government departments

UniSQ have put together a list of scholarships offered by other organisations and Australian Government departments that you may be eligible and interested in applying for. <u>Click here</u> to find a list of these scholarships, if you have any questions or to find out the closing date for applications, you should contact the organisation offering the scholarship directly.

### **TAFE Scholarships**

TAFE Queensland Scholarship applications are now open. Their scholarships, as well as those created in partnership with employers, industry, governments and other organisations, are available to current and future students. Scholarships awarded in this round are for study in Semester 1, 2025 and applications close 30 September 2024. The scholarships are all different so it's important to review the eligibility criteria, opening and closing dates as well as the terms and conditions. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- Access and equity scholarships
- Merit scholarships
- Athlete Merit scholarships

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- Eligibility criteria
- How to apply and FAQ's

### UQ scholarships

UQ have wide range of scholarships that can unlock your potential and help you to succeed. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about the scholarships on offer at UQ.

### UQ's 2025 Liveris Academy scholarships

The purpose of the <u>Liveris Academy Merit Scholarship Scheme</u> is to encourage and support outstanding students at The University of Queensland, through financial support and Liveris Academy membership. A range of Scholarships sit within the framework of the Liveris Academy Merit Scholarship Scheme. View the rules for the <u>Liveris Academy Merit Scholarship Scheme (PDF, 190.7 KB)</u> and click <u>here</u> for more information and the application process.

### University of Southern Queensland scholarships

Click <u>here</u> to find out what scholarships are available at UniSQ as well as those coming soon. You can apply for more than one, so be sure to read through all that are on offer and apply for all that you're eligible for. Some of the scholarships on offer are:

- <u>Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship</u> Awarded to high achieving academic achievers (ATAR 97+), who have completed Year 12 in 2024 and are commencing their studies at UniSQ in a bachelor's degree program from the beginning of 2025
- <u>Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship</u> Awarded to high academic achievers (ATAR 88+), who have completed Year 12 in 2024 and are commencing their studies at UniSQ in a bachelor's degree program in Semester 1, 2025.
- <u>Regional Leaders Scholarship</u> support a student commencing their studies in a bachelor's degree program who shows promising regional leadership. Applications close 18 November 2024.

Find other UniSQ scholarships including Frequently Asked Questions

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### **First Peoples Admission pathways**

Griffith Uni offers admission pathways for applicants who identify as Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. Applicants are assessed on formal qualifications, life experiences and other transferable skills. You can identify when you apply via QTAC or UAC so you can be considered for their dedicated pathway options. GUMURRII Student support Unit can provide ongoing assistance from orientation through to graduation. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

### Indigenous Economic Scholarships

Each year, the School of Economics offers scholarships to students. You can combine these with the UQ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Scholarship to boost your income support. Click <u>here</u> to find out more, including Economics at any level scholarships and Undergraduate tuition fee waiver.

## University of Southern Queensland Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program (IHEPP)

IHEPP is a pathway to university study for Indigenous students that provides you with support as you move through your study program. If you do not have the right school qualifications, USQ's Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program (IHEPP) is the perfect way to start studying at university. This pathway program has been developed to give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people the academic skills needed for university study. Click <u>here</u> for more information including:

- Overview
- Further studies
- Career outcomes
- Entry requirements
- Degree structure
- Fees
- How to apply

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### Open Days, Expos & Career Markets

### **Open Days and Career Expos in August**

- 22 August 2024 CQUniversity (Gladstone) Open day 4 6pm
- 24 August 2024 SAE University College Open Day

JMC Academy Open Day

- 29 August 2024 Cairns Youth and Career Expo 8:30am 4:00pm
- 4 September 2024 TAFE Queensland (Loganlea)

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### Private Provider Updates

### Applications now open for Mater Education's nursing and healthcare qualifications

Mater Education offers the following qualifications.

- HLT54121 Diploma of Nursing Brisbane and Townsville campuses
- HLT43015 Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance
- HLT37215 Certificate III Pathology Collection

Through practical and theoretical learning, simulation and placement, these hands-on qualifications give participants the skills, knowledge and confidence to be job ready. Click <u>here</u> to find more information about courses offered through Mater Education.

### **Billy Blue College of Design Higher Education**

Billy Blue is a <u>THINK Education</u> College that has partnered with <u>Torrens University Australia</u>. Click here to find out more about:

- Courses
- Scholarships
- Campuses

### HTMi Australia – Hotel and Tourism Management Institute Switzerland Hospitality

HTMi offers students the opportunity to study a variety of HTMi <u>diplomas and degrees</u> that are recognised internationally. Established in 2018 with campuses in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne, HTMi Australia is setup in partnership with Mulpha (Australia), hotel investment group and Accor Hotels. If you are interested in a career in Hotel Management and/or the tourist industry they may have courses that interest you.

### JMI Jazz Music Institute

JMI offers information sessions for anyone interested in enrolling in their courses. In this information session you can:

- have a meet and greet with a JMI staff member
- ask questions relating to course and audition requirements
- have a walk around our campus and see the facilities on offer

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They can accommodate information sessions on the weekend and after hours for those that have school or work commitments. Click <u>here</u> for more information about:

- Courses
- Booking an information session
- How to apply
- Education videos

### **SAE University College**

SAE provides a wide range of qualifications in Animation, Audio, Music, Creative Industries, Design, Film and Games. Click <u>here</u> to download a flyer that will provide more information for each these study areas. Click on the links below for further information:

- <u>Courses</u>
- Parent's Guide
- Early Entry program
- <u>Scholarships</u>

### UQ College Tertiary Preparation Program bridging course

UQ College is a company owned by the University of Queensland (UQ) and located at the St Lucia campus. It provides alternate pathways to university study. They offer English, Foundation Program, Tertiary Preparation Program and Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation. The Tertiary Preparation Program is a free, 32-week program which is offered in January, May and September. It is an approved UQ Bridging Program and provides recognised prerequisite subjects. Students who successfully complete this program can apply through QTAC with an entry rank based on their results in the program. Apply directly to UQ College. Click here for more information.

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### QTAC & Tertiary Entry

### Check your emails!

The main form of communication between you and QTAC is via email. It is essential that you use your **personal email** address when applying to QTAC (your school email will become inactive once you leave school). You need to regularly check your Inbox, Spam and Junk mail for any communications, notifications and/or offers from now until you receive a QTAC offer. IF you miss an email and do not respond within the timeframe, you may miss out on any offer for 2025. DO NOT IGNORE OR MISS A QTAC EMAIL OR TEXT.

### **Direct Entry and Self-Managed applications**

There are a number of private providers and tertiary institutions who prefer to manage their applications through the direct entry or the self-managed process. Direct entry applications are offered by:

- Universities full fee courses
- <u>SCU</u> and <u>UNE</u> some distance education courses
- University of Tasmania
- Private universities, colleges and institutes
- TAFE Queensland Certificate courses

Self-Managed applications are offered by:

- Mater Education
- <u>Australian College of Applied Psychology</u>
- <u>Australian College of Physical Education</u>
- Endeavour College of Natural Health
- Healthcare Skills Australia
- <u>JMC Academy</u>
- <u>Russo Business School</u>
- <u>Study Group</u>

### **Eligibility requirements and Merit determination**

Eligibility requirements vary across university and TAFE institutions but may include:

- Age requirements
- Subject prerequisites, portfolio, audition or interviews
- Essays or personal statements

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• Questionnaires or exams (medicine & dentistry may require UCAT)

It's important to check early closing dates in your QTAC course guide so you don't miss out on any opportunities. Entry into degrees is also determined on Merit. Here's how it works:

Applicants are allocated ranks based on their assessable qualifications. Assessable qualifications may include:

- Year 12 ATAR or IB
- Overseas Year 12 qualifications
- Previous tertiary study Bachelor/Masters (min 2 subjects required)
- Completed AQF qualifications (Cert 3 & 4)
- Diploma, Advanced Diplomas
- Bridging and preparatory courses

It is important to note that not all universities accept all forms of assessable qualifications and you should check their websites for their individual merit/assessable qualifications policies.

### Fixed closing dates for some degrees

Make sure you read about the fixed closing dates as some courses close in September. If you want to apply for certain courses, you'll need to do so by the corresponding closing date. Courses related to creative and performing arts may have additional requirements that need to be satisfied. Click <u>here</u> or check out Pages 19 and 20 in your 2025 QTAC Course Guide.

### How will I know I have a QTAC offer?

You only receive one offer from QTAC. Your offer will be for your highest eligible preference (i.e. the highest course on your preference list where you have met the minimum entry requirements and your ATAR/IB/Tertiary Rank is above the lowest ATAR/IB/Tertiary Rank to receive an offer). If you get an offer, QTAC will send you an email or SMS notifying you to log in to your QTAC application account to view, print and respond to your offer.

Year 12 students could receive an offer anytime from 15 November 2024 (not including early offers through some university programs). It is essential that you check your emails and mobile phone (for an SMS) from **15 November until you firmly accept an offer**. If you receive an offer, you MUST check the respond by date, and respond to your offer on time. If you don't respond by the due date, you will lose the offer and you will no longer be considered for any other course/s. If this happens, contact QTAC immediately. Remember to use your private email address **NOT** your school email address on your QTAC application.

### Register to get your ATAR - A must for Year 12 ATAR students

If you are in Year 12 and ATAR eligible, you need to register with QTAC to have your ATAR calculated at the end of the year. The ATAR release date for 2024 is Friday 13 December. You will need the following personal details ready to set up your ATAR account:

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- Full name (as shown on your QCAA learning account)
- Date of birth
- LUI number
- Personal email address (do not use your school email)

Click here to start your ATAR registration.

### Subject adjustments when applying to QTAC

Subject adjustments are extra tertiary entry ranks which universities give for specific subjects you have successfully studied during Year 12. QTAC automatically apply these adjustment factors when calculation your order of merit for your chosen course preference/s. Although each university and institution have their own subject adjustment policies, the general rule is that QTAC will only consider them when you apply for tertiary entry in Semester 1 in the year straight after school. Google each university you are interested in including in your QTAC applications to see if you are eligible for any subject adjustments.

### What is an ATAR and how to apply for your ATAR

QTAC will calculate your ATAR based on your Year 12 results provided by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority. ATAR results are used nationally for tertiary admissions. It is the standard measure of your overall academic achievement in relation to other students where these students have studied different subject combinations. ATARs are expressed as a number on a 2000-point scale from 99.95 to 0.00 in steps of 0.05. So, the highest ATAR is 99.95, then 99.90, then 99.85, and so on, down to 0.00. ATARs below 30 are reported as '30.00 or less'.

To get your ATAR you need to register with QTAC and they will then notify you of your ATAR on 13 December 2024. This registration is **COMPLETELY SEPARATE** to your QTAC course application for study in 2025. If you are ATAR eligible you need to apply/register for **BOTH**.

To register to receive your ATAR, go to the <u>QTAC website</u>, and click on <u>ATAR REGISTRATION</u>. Registering for your ATAR is FREE. You will need to have the following information ready:

- Full name (as recorded on your school record no nick names or shortened names)
- Date of birth
- LUI number (Learning Unique Identifier number that your school will give you)
- Personal email address (DO NOT use your school address as it will not be active once you leave school)
- You will be sent a confirmation code so look in your Inbox and Junk mail for the QTAC email

During the short registration process, you will be asked to respond to three statements by checking a tick box as to whether:

- You acknowledge that you have read, understood and agree to be bound by the policies, terms and conditions
- I do not consent to my ATAR or ATAR eligibility as determined by QTAC being shared with the school I attended in Year 12

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If you check this box, **QTAC WILL NOT** notify your school of your ATAR results which can make it difficult for your school to provide you with follow up career pathway support if needed - but it is totally your decision.

and

• I do not wish to be sent an email notifying me that my ATAR result has been released. If you check this box you will need to log into your ATAR account with QTAC to find your ATAR result.

QTAC have developed a <u>helpful video</u> showing you the process and there is an ATAR FAQs section towards the bottom of the page. REMEMBER, you STILL need to do a separate QTAC application if you are wanting to apply for course entry in 2025 and this will cost you \$65.

### What is the difference between the QCE and ATAR?

The Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) and the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) are different and have different purposes. The difference is:

- QCE: Certifies learning showing the individual has achieved a specific standard of education at senior schooling level. The QCE may be referred to by employers and the general community
- ATAR: Shows a student's position (or ranking) compared to all other students in the state. The only intended purpose for the ATAR is to assist with selecting applicants for tertiary study. It is not an indicator of a student's potential for career success or earnings

If you have questions about the QCE, including assessment and subject results, you need to contact <u>QCAA</u>. Questions about ATAR should be directed to <u>QTAC</u>.

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The QCAA Student Portal stores all your learning information in one place. You can check your personal details, access your learning account, get your final Year 12 subject results and more. All Year 12 students should now have visited <u>Student Portal</u> and registered. You will need your LUI number and if you don't have it, ask at your school. Read the FAQ's to answer most of your questions. If you are studying a course or qualification through a learning provider other than your school, remind them that they need to record your results in your learning account.

### **Know about QCAA**

The <u>myQCE site</u> has information on a number of topics including planning <u>Your QCE Pathway</u> which encourages you to take an active role in your career planning. If you are in Year 10 you can read about:

- About the QCE
- Planning your pathway
- Student Portal and your Learning Account
- Career stories
- myQCE
- Balancing your study

### New date for 2024 QCE release

The QCAA is bringing forward this year's release of Year 12 students' QCE to Wednesday 11 December 2024. This is two days earlier than originally planned. Students can access their final subject results and Senior Education Profile in the <u>Student Portal</u> via the <u>myQCE website</u>. QTAC will release ATARs on Friday 13 December.

### myQCE competition for Years 10–12 students

QCAA are giving students in Years 10–12 the chance to win one of three prizes, a MacBook Air, an iPad Air with an Apple Pencil or a pair of AirPods Max headphones, by checking out and using the myQCE resources and the Student Portal. Click <u>here</u> for more information and how to enter.

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### Feeling the stress?

Study Skills and Wellbeing

Senior studies can be stressful, especially around exam time and assignment due dates. Having stress management strategies to call on when needed is essential, not just for this year but also for your future success and happiness in studies and living. Check out the following apps.

<u>Smiling Mind App</u> – Smiling Mind provides a modern meditation for young people that guides the user through a series of exercises. It is free for use online or as a smartphone app.

<u>Headspace App</u> - Headspace is a free app that's like a personal trainer for your mind. It provides guided meditations to help you sleep, relax, study and focus.

### How to study effectively

While there is no 'one-size-fits-all' approach when it comes to studying effectively, there are methods you can use to improve your recall and long-term memory. Remember: everyone has different learning techniques. What works for other students may not work for you. Just keep trying until you discover the best way to study. Victoria Uni has put together 10 study tips to try out. Click <u>here</u> to read more about:

- 1. Get organised
- 2. Don't skip class!
- 3. Take notes
- 4. Talk to your teacher and ask questions
- 5. Space out your studying
- 6. Create a study plan and stick to it!
- 7. Don't just re-read but study
- 8. Set up a quiet study space
- 9. Test yourself
- 10. Find a study buddy or join a study group

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### TAFE Queensland Updates

### **Courses at TAFE Queensland**

You can study at TAFE through several modes including:

- School-based
- Classroom based: Certificates, diplomas, associate degrees or degrees
- Online
- Apprenticeship
- Traineeship

Areas of study include:

- Business and IT
- Education and Community
- Health and Science
- Service industries
- Creative industries
- Environmental and Animal services
- Infrastruc6ture and Transport
- Trades

### Find out what you will study in a particular TAFE Qualification

Knowing what you will actually be studying is very important for success and wellbeing during a course. The following steps will guide you to the core and elective units you will study in each course.

- Go to the <u>TAFE Queensland website</u>, scroll down and enter into the *Search Courses* box for the certificate, diploma or degree you are interested in
- Choose the location you want to study in
- Click on the course you are looking for and scroll down to What you will study
- Make sure you read the Elective units that are offered at the TAFE you want to attend
- Click on the unit links to find out more about each unit

### **Government Funded Courses**

Government funded courses are available across Queensland. With plenty of free online courses and State Government funding schemes and loans, you can take your first step towards a new career. Fee-free training

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options are across many study areas. Find a range of Government-funded courses. For more information, click <u>here</u>.

### **TAFE At School On-Campus Programs for 2025**

Applications are open for TAFE Queensland School Programs for 2025. Through these programs students can choose to study from over 50 certificate level courses while still at high school. Completion of a course counts towards your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). It can also be a pathway to a job or to further study after Year 12. Most of the courses available require you to attend TAFE one day a week. The available courses are listed on the TAFE at School website, and press 'View courses'. You can also Google the TAFE At School 2025 Guide.

To apply for a course, you will need a <u>Unique Student Identifier (USI)</u>. You can apply for the TAFE At School program on the <u>Schools Program Application site</u>. You need to enter the application code (speak with your VET coordinator)for the TAFE you wish to attend. Once you have applied, an email will be sent to your school for approval. It is recommended that you apply this term as courses fill quickly. If you need help selecting a course or applying for a course, contact your school Guidance Officer/Counsellor or VET Coordinator.

### **TAFE Queensland information for Indigenous people**

TAFE Queensland has courses and services specifically designed to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. TAFE Queensland is well suited to help you reach your education goals with dedicated Indigenous student support, specialised 'away from base' residential block training and a partnership in the RATEP.

Click <u>here</u> to find out more including:

- Information for Aboriginal and Torres strait Islander people
- Abut TAFE Queensland
- Indigenous Program types
- Away from Base courses: study away from home
- Accommodation assistance
- Indigenous student support officers (ISSOs)
- Study areas
- RATEP community-based education
- Applying made easy and resources

### **myPROFILER**

Not sure what course is right for you? <u>myPROFILER</u> from TAFE Queensland could help find some great options.

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### Universities

### Check your QTAC Guide course information online

Course information can change during the year so information from the current QTAC 2025 Course Guide, university faculty guides, brochures and other printed information may no longer be correct when it comes time for you to submit your QTAC application. You should check on QTAC and institution websites for the most up-to-date information such as eligibility, lowest ATAR/Rank threshold, prerequisites required, length of the course, subjects you will study and any professional accreditation/recognition of the courses you are interested in.

### Course Seeker may be of assistance

The Tertiary Admissions Centres and the Australian Government have developed a joint Course Seeker website providing national higher education admissions information. You can compare undergraduate courses from Australian universities and higher education institutions including entry requirements, ATARs, prerequisites and enrolment information. Click <u>here</u> and find out:

- Discover courses by location
- How to get started
  - o Discover thousands of undergraduate courses from institutions across Australia
  - *Compare and Share* courses from different institutions and share with others to help with your investigations
  - Apply and find out about the application process directly from the website which links to the correct admission centre for your course
- Upcoming events

### **Elite Athlete Education Network**

The Elite Athlete Education Network (EAEN) through partnered Universities, TAFEs and other education providers helps to support elite athletes for the duration of their course study. This ensures their experience on campus is one that is rewarding, flexible and helps them acquire the right skills and qualifications needed to follow their passions and interests outside of sport.

The EAEN is accessible to all current categorised athletes and coaches, Alumni athletes and emerging and developing athletes who sit on level 1-5 on the Athlete Categorisation table for an AIS funded sport. In practice, these are elite athletes engaged in training or competition at a national or international level. Click <u>here</u> for more information on individual university websites for university specific information.

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### How to choose a course if you're not sure what you want to do

If you're getting ready to leave school, it's likely that everywhere you go you'll be asked <u>what you want to be</u> <u>'when you grow up</u>'. If you're still looking into possible courses, tossing up between two fields or have no idea what kind of career you want. Click <u>here</u> to read more from The Good Universities Guide's article including the following three options:

- Choose a generalist degree
- 'Try out' a field of study
- Take a gap year

### Moving out for uni: pros and cons

The university offer has come, enrolment is completed, now there's just one thing left to decide – Do I have to move? This question is often met with mixed feelings. Making a decision about moving out of home is not quite as straightforward when you're attending university locally. The list of pros and cons can appear fairly balanced. Click here to find out about the pros and cons including:

- Finances
- Independence
- Study environment
- Relationships
- When is the right time to move out of home?

### **Unadjusted V Adjusted ATARS**

If you are in Year 12, the QTAC guide is a valuable resource when planning your course preferences for 2025. You should cross check the QTAC guide information on both the QTAC and University websites. Regarding the Guide's *Lowest ATAR/Rank offered semester 1 2024* for each course, please note that both the Adjusted and Unadjusted minimum ATAR/Selection Rank are recorded. When planning your preferences for 2025 entry, it is best to use the ADJUSTED minimum ATAR/Selection Rank as your guide.

### Update on important changes to prerequisites for Education FOR 2025 ONLY

The non-academic requirements for Teacher Entry (NARTE) often referred to as a Suitability Statement, is not a prerequisite for entry into a Bachelor of Education at any Queensland university **FOR 2025 entry ONLY**.

The Science prerequisite has been removed for all Education (Primary and Early Childhood) degrees **FOR 2025 entry ONLY**.

For 2025 only, the admission requirements are as follows:

- Prerequisites:
  - General English, English as an Additional Language, Literature of English & Literature Extension (Units 3&4, C)

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- General Mathematics, Mathematical Methods or Specialist Mathematics (Units 3&4, C)
- Recommended:
  - Secondary Education: Senior studies in chosen teaching areas

### **Australian Catholic University**

#### Adjustment Factor schemes at the Australian Catholic University

Through the following schemes, eligible applicants are given adjustment factors when they apply for ACU courses through QTAC. There is normally a maximum of 12 adjustment factors applied across all ACU schemes.

- ACU Subject Program This program recognises the link between performance in a Year 12 subject and the chances of success in higher education. These adjustment factors are allocated automatically when applying through QTAC. No separate application is required. You can receive up to 5 adjustments under this program.
- Elite Athlete and Performer Program This program aims to support students who have demonstrated an elite level of sporting or performance achievement. Applicants apply directly to ACU for this scheme.
- School Relationship Program under the Schools Relationship applicants may receive up to five adjustment factors automatically through QTAC depending on their geographic location or school relationship with ACU. No separate application is required. You can receive up to 5 points.
- **Campus Program** This program aims to build relationships with students who live in areas that are important to one of their campuses.
- State Access and Equity schemes This scheme is aimed at people who have been unable to reach their full academic potential, or who might have had access to their dream course restricted due to their life experiences.
- Educational Access Scheme This is a QTAC scheme, which allocates adjustment factors based on educational disadvantage from financial hardship, home environment and responsibilities, personal illness and disability, school environment and English language difficulties. Applicants apply for this scheme separately as part of their QTAC application.
- **Regional Schools Program** You're eligible for this program if you're based in Australia, are currently completing Year 12 or the IB and attend a school identified as a regional school by the <u>ASGC</u> <u>postcode classification system</u>.

Further information about these schemes and how adjustment factors work can be found <u>here</u>.

### I didn't get the ATAR/rank!

Didn't get the school mark you wanted? Don't panic, there are many ways to get into ACU. They've gathered a list of pathways and entry programs <u>here</u>. See if any might work for you.

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### Study at ACU Series - ACU Guarantee and Regional and remote student info

If you are considering your options at ACU but missed their Study at ACU series, then click <u>here</u> and listen to the following recordings:

- ACU Guarantee early offers and student pathways Discover ACU's entry programs and pathways including ACU Guarantee
- Regional and remote student information sessions and panel webinar Find out everything you need to know about studying at ACU as a regional or remote student

### **Australian National University**

### ACU Guarantee

ACU Guarantee offers for 2025 are now open offering eligible Year 12 students a place at ACU based on their Year 11 results. Offers may be made as early as September. Successful applicants must still complete their Year 12 exams. You may also enhance your entry score by including a short personal statement that gives ACU an insight into your personal circumstances and motivation for university study. Competitive courses may not provide any offers until the final rounds in late September and October. Applications close 16 September. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- How to apply
- Application FAQ's
- Offer FAQ's
- Apply now

### **Griffith University**

### A reminder - QLD College of Art and Design portfolio admission applications due

Queensland College of Art and Design portfolio admission applications for 2025 due on Wednesday 4 September. Click <u>here</u> for more information and portfolio submission process.

### A reminder - Queensland Conservatorium QTAC audition/admission applications due

<u>Online</u> Applications due for Queensland Conservatorium QTAC audition/admission are due in on 30 September. Click <u>here</u> for more information - DON"T MISS OUT!

### **Dental Health Science applications for Rural Priority Access**

Griffith Uni has set aside a number of Rural Priority Access Scheme places in selected Griffith health degrees that students from rural backgrounds can apply for. It's aim is to help develop the next generation of

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doctors, dentists and other healthcare professionals who are familiar with the issues facing rural communities, Click <u>here</u> for more information, how to apply and frequently asked questions. Applications for the <u>Bachelor of Dental Health Science</u> close on 30 September 2024 for Trimester 1, 2025 admission.

### Griffith Film School portfolio applications now open

Creativity is more than just grades and success comes in many forms. You can apply to study the Bachelor of Animation and the Bachelor of Film and Screen Media Production by submitting a creative portfolio that shows off your skill, creativity, personality and potential. Applications close Wednesday 4 September 2024 for Griffith's Film school Portfolio applications. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

### **Guaranteed Admissions scheme**

Griffith offer 4 Guaranteed Admission options including:

- Year 12 Early Offer Scheme
- Head Start
- VET
- ATAR/Rank

Click <u>here</u> to check out more about each scheme and the eligible degrees for admission in 2025.

### New Grifith Commerce degrees start in 2025

Griffith is offering a Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Commerce (Advanced) and Diploma of Commerce to give students the essential technical skills and knowledge to thrive in accounting, finance, economics and beyond. Click <u>here</u> for more information and check it on the QTAC website.

### Undergraduate diplomas may get you to where you want to be

Griffith Uni's undergraduate diplomas give you a supported start to your university studies, helping you to transition to your chosen bachelor degree.

- You'll develop foundational knowledge and skills, setting you up for success in your future bachelor studies.
- You'll be able to draw on a wide variety of student support programs to assist you throughout your studies.
- You'll undertake your first year of study in the diploma alongside your peers in the bachelor degree and finish your studies in the same amount of time, at no extra cost.
- Once you've successfully completed the diploma, you'll be offered guaranteed entry into the second year of the corresponding bachelor degree.

Click <u>here</u> for more information.

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### Upgrading pathways to competitive degrees

Bridging, preparatory and pathway programs are available to help you upgrade to your preferred Griffith undergraduate program or to satisfy subject prerequisites. Click <u>here</u> to find out more.

### Year 12 Early Offer Guarantee

Eligible Year 12 students can receive an early offer to study based on their ATAR or IB Diploma studies, VET qualification or by completing a Griffith Head Start (GUESTS) program. You can apply by selecting an eligible degree on your QTAC application. The following are the key dates for Griffith Uni's Year 12 Early Offer Guarantee scheme:

- September to November: Offers will be made to eligible applicants
- Round offers:
  - o 6 September
  - o 18 October
  - o 15 November
- 14 October: Final date to apply to be eligible for an early offer
- 31 October: Final date to submit supporting documentation for the ATAR/IB stream to make the 15 November offer round
- 11 November: Last date to change your preference to preferred degree for the 15 November offer round

Click here for more information and how to apply.

### **Queensland University of Technology**

### Bachelor of Creative Arts (Acting) Audition information now available

Entry requirements and audition material are now available on the <u>Bachelor of Creative Arts (Acting)</u> course page. Submissions are now open and will close on 8 October 2024 at 5pm (Brisbane time).

### Bachelor of Creative Industries: Updates for 2025 intake

The QUT <u>Bachelor of Creative Industries</u> program has updated its offerings for the 2025 intake. Starting in 2025, the Drama and Performance, Media and Communication and Music and Sound majors will no longer be available. Instead, students can choose their first major from the following: Creative and Professional Writing, Fashion Communication, Interactive and Visual Design and Screen Content Production.

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### **Changes to entry requirements for Initial Teacher Education Programs**

The Queensland College of Teachers (QCT) Board has recently announced changes for entry into Initial Teacher Education programs. These changes include the suspension of non-academic requirements for 2025 such as a teaching personal statement and online questionnaire and the removal of the senior science prerequisite into early childhood and primary teaching programs. For further information on 2025 entry, review the requirements section on the <u>course pages</u>.

### Do you do gaming?

QUT's Diploma of eSports provides multiple pathways to further study at QUT in games development, IT, business or creative industries. Find out more about the Diploma of eSports <u>here</u>.

### Early offer scheme

The Year 12 Early Offer Scheme could provide you with an offer to study at QUT before receiving your ATAR, IB Diploma or VET Diploma. If eligible, you'll receive an offer for your QTAC first preference the day you complete Year 12. The scheme includes more than 50 single and double degrees from a wide range of study areas including business, creative industries, engineering, health and science. Click <u>here</u> to find out about:

- Important dates
- Am I eligible?
- Required school results
- What courses are included in the scheme?
- Applying and receiving an offer
- Supporting documentation
- Other things to consider
- Contact us

### Explore your future career ambitions

Year 11 or 12? Are you wanting to Discover more about QUT? During the holidays, QUT are hosting a university experience day highlighting life as a QUT student. You will be able to attend study area specific workshops and participate in an innovation challenge, while connecting with QUT undergraduate students, academics, and alumni. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register for the event being held on 16 September from 8:30am - 4:00pm at their Gardens Point Campus. Applications close on 9 September.

### Fast-track your career in healthcare or medical research

A vertical double degree streamlines your studies by combining a <u>Bachelor of Biomedical Science with a</u> <u>Master of Data Analytics</u>. You'll be able to complete your studies in four years instead of five years full-time. Whether you want to be a biochemist, health researcher, data scientist, neurophysiologist or just make

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data-driven decisions in your career, know that you will graduate prepared and backed by professional recognition from the society relevant to your specialisation.

#### Helping you get into your course

If you don't think your ATAR or selection rank is high enough to get into the QUT course you want, you may be able to improve your chances by upgrading through:

- Foundation programs
- Undergraduate pathway Diploma programs

When you're preparing your QTAC application, you should consider including courses that will lead you to your dream course as your sixth QTAC preferences. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about QUT's pathway programs.

### **QUT Advice Night**

On Tuesday 10 September QUT are holding an advice night for current Year 12 students and their parents/guardians. During the event you will discover the 5 essentials of getting into QUT in 2025 and find out more about:

- Year 12 Early Offer Scheme (for Queensland QCE students only)
- entry requirements
- adjustment schemes
- upgrading pathways
- scholarships.

This is also a chance to hear from students about their uni experience and ask questions about their course, why they chose QUT, the QTAC process and uni life. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

#### Some QUT study areas

All universities offer similar courses in a variety of study areas but their degree offerings can differ. You can find out about studying at QUT by watching the following videos:

- <u>Course to career</u>
- Engineer your future at QUT
- <u>Student Managed Investment Fund</u>
- Hands-on science
- Indigenous students talk about their courses in the School of Biomedical Science

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### **VET** guarantee

If you complete Year 12 with a completed Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Diploma or Certificate IV you are guaranteed an offer to many QUT courses. With an AQF Certificate III students are guaranteed an offer to many of their diploma or combined diploma/degree programs. Find out more about VET Guarantee here.

### **Southern Cross University**

#### **Southern Cross campuses**

Southern Cross University has four campuses located in southern Queensland and Northern New South Wales. Click on the links below to read more about what's available at:

- Coffs Harbour
- Gold Coast
- <u>Lismore</u>
- Online

### The University of Queensland

#### Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander MD provisional entry

UQ have made some changes to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander provisional entry admission pathway that supports entry into the Doctor of Medicine at UQ. They have removed the requirement of having to apply in Year 12 which provides greater flexibility for those who have undertaken TAFE study or employment opportunities following high school and have now decided to pursue a career in medicine. You will still need to complete an undergraduate degree at UQ but you will progress into the Doctor of Medicine at UQ if you meet the requirements in your undergraduate degree. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

### **Regional Medical Pathway information session - Gladstone**

On 31 August from 10:00 to 11:30am, UQ and CQUni staff and current students are hosting an evening to discuss the different pathways to study medicine in the regions, including application processes for the Regional Medical Pathway and tips and tricks for success. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

#### **Rural Access Scheme**

This scheme helps students from rural or remote areas of Australia boost their selection rank for entry into many of UQ's programs. Eligible students will receive 2 adjustments. For students attending a rural or remote (non-metropolitan) school, adjustments are applied automatically.

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For students attending a metropolitan school but from a rural or remote area, eligibility will be based on the home address used in their QTAC application. The process for applying via this category will be available soon. Email <u>admissions@uq.edu.au</u> to register your interest and be notified when it's available.

For students applying for the Doctor of Medicine (Provisional Entry) or Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours), or who have lived rurally or remotely previously but currently have a metropolitan address, they will need to apply as per the usual QTAC Rural Access Scheme process. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### **School Opportunity Scheme**

This scheme can boost your ATAR by 2 or 4 selection ranks based on your school's Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA) value. The adjustment aims to enhance educational opportunities for all students. The adjustment is automatically applied through your QTAC application and you can find out if you are eligible <u>here</u>.

#### Senior Maths Study Day

Year 12 students can join UQ in person or online for Mathematical Methods tips and support on 17 September from 1 - 4 pm. Click <u>here</u> for more details and to register.

#### Subject Incentive Scheme (updated, effective 2027)

From Semester 1, 2027, you will only be able to receive a maximum of 3 adjustments under the UQ Subject Incentive Scheme, rather than the existing maximum of 5. You may still be eligible for other schemes, including the School Opportunity Scheme and Rural Access Scheme, for a combined maximum of 5 adjustments from UQ. Click here for more information.

#### **Summer Bridging Program**

If you need to meet UQ undergraduate subject prerequisites for the 2025 offer rounds you can enrol in their 4-week short course in Mathematical Methods, Physics, Chemistry or Biology. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### **Tertiary Preparation Program**

If you are 18 or older and need to obtain or improve your tertiary selection rank and/or meet subject prerequisites, you can apply for UQ's fully funded 32-week program at their St Lucia campus. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

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### **UQ Ready event Cairns**

Join UQ in person or online for an informative night that will provide you with everything you need for a smooth transition from high school to university. The event will be held on 27 August from 5:30pm - 7:00pm at St Augustine's Catholic College. Click <u>here</u> to register.

#### **UQ Ready events**

UQ will be holding the following UQ Ready sessions. You will need to register to attend. Click the links for more information:

27/08/2024	Cairns - St Augustine's Catholic College
<u>03/09/2024</u>	Gladstone - Gladstone Yacht Club
<u>04/09/2024</u>	Rockhampton - The Rockhampton Grammar School
	Online 6pm - 7pm

### Using your VET Certificate and diploma qualifications Tertiary Rank for entry into UQ

Starting Semester 2, 2025, recent Year 12 graduates with a VET qualification can use it to apply for entry to UQ. This offers a flexible pathway for students who apply for their desired programs mid-year. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

### **Torrens University Australia**

### What does Torrens Uni offer?

Torrens University Australia (TUA) offers a range of career programs in the faculties of Business, Design, Health and Hospitality, Technology and Education for study on-campus, online or a hybrid of both. TUA's programs are run through a combination of well-known schools/ brands such as Billy Blue College of Design and Media Design School (design) and Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School and William Blue College of Hospitality Management (hospitality). The health and business faculties of Torrens University offer an array of business and health university courses. Find out more <u>here</u>.

### **University of Southern Queensland**

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### Adjustment factor pathways

Adjustment factors may increase your Selection Rank, through the allocation of additional points in certain circumstances, such as where you live and subjects you passed. Discover if any adjustment factors may apply to you to gain a place in your preferred degree at UniSQ. UniSQ limits applicable adjustment factors to a maximum of 10 Tertiary Entrance Ranks. You do not have to apply for these adjustment factors as they will be automatically applied by QTAC at the time you are assessed but it is good to know if you are eligible for any when planning your QTAC preferencing. Click <u>here</u> to find the adjustments you may be eligible for are:

- First in family
- Location adjustments
- Schools adjustments
- Supporting you and your journey to UniSQ
  - Subject adjustments
  - o Early offer
  - o Educational Access Scheme
  - o Elite athlete adjustment

### **Double Degrees**

A double degree allows you to broaden your education and develop an interdisciplinary field of knowledge in less time than if you were to complete two separate degrees. UniSQ's double degrees give you flexibility in choosing majors to shape your studies to your career options. Completing a double degree means you receive two testamurs (official certificates) – one for each of the degrees you complete when you graduate. Click <u>here</u> to read about the double degrees on offer including:

- Bachelor of Accounting and Bachelor of Laws
- Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor Business
- Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws
- Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science
- Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Laws
- Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Science

### **Headstart Information Evening**

Wanting to experience uni while still in high school? UniSC is hosting a <u>Headstart Information Evening</u> where you will have a guided campus tour and find out everything you need to know about our Headstart program. Headstart gives Year 10–12 students the chance to access university-level learning in an area of interest. Study up to four first-year UniSC subjects and gain credit towards your future university degree. This is a free program covering your tuition and any additional courses are only \$400, so you will save money on the overall cost of your full degree. Events will be held on:

4 September: UniSC Moreton Bay - 4:30 - 5:50pm tour, 5:00 - 6:00pm Headstart presentation

5 September: UniSC Sunshine Coast - 4:30 - 5:50pm tour, 5:00 - 6:00pm Headstart presentation

10 September: Online Zoom session - 5:30 - 6:30pm

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Click here for more information and <u>here</u> to register.

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### Upcoming Events

Date	Event
01/08/2024 to 25/08/2024	Australian Women's Film Festival 2024 competition first deadline
20/08/2024	ADF: Gladstone: Defence Careers Information Session
20/08/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Army Reserve Information Session
20/08/2024	ADF: Maroochydore Navy Careers Information Session
21/08/2024	ADF: Brisbane Navy Careers Information Session
21/08/2024	ADF: Gympie Defence Careers Information Session
22/08/2024	CQUni Gladstone Open Day
23/08/2024	ADF: Biloela Defence Careers Information Session
23/08/2024	Bond Student for a Semester September applications close
23/08/2024	First Year 12 Offer Round
25/08/2024	Australian Women's Film Festival Extended Deadline competition closes
26/08/2024	UniSQ Trimester 3 application closing date
27/08/2024	ADF: Brisbane Army Reserve Information Session
27/08/2024	ADF: https://www.adfcareers.gov.au/events/events-detail/t4khorb
27/08/2024	ADF: Maroochydore Army Reserve Information Session
27/08/2024	ADF: Townsville Army Reserve Information Session
27/08/2024	QUT START QUT webinar
27/08/2024	UQ Ready - Cairns
27/08/2024	UQ Ready event Cairns
28/08/2024	ADF: Cairns Navy Careers Information Session
28/08/2024	Navigating your post-school plans with confidence webinar
29/08/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Navy Careers Information Session
29/08/2024	Bond Indigenous scholarship applications close
29/08/2024	Cairns Youth and Careers Expo

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30/08/2024	Queensland Conservatorium audition application closes
31/08/2024	Regional Medical Pathway information session - Gladstone
01/09/2024	2025 Heywire competition closes
02/09/2024	2024 Premier's Coding Challenge
02/09/2024	ADF: Brisbane Defence Careers Information Session
02/09/2024 to 05/09/2024	Gold Coast Schools Science Competition
03/09/2024	ADF: Cairns Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	ADF: Cairns Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	ADF: Caloundra Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	ADF: Caloundra Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	ADF: Townsville Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	ADF: Townsville Defence Careers Information Session
03/09/2024	UQ Ready Gladstone
04/09/2024	ADF: https://www.adfcareers.gov.au/events/events-detail/3rao26c
04/09/2024	ADF: Mount Isa Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)
04/09/2024	Griffith Film School portfolio applications close
04/09/2024	Online UQ Ready webinar
04/09/2024	Rockhampton UQ Ready evening
04/09/2024	UniSC's Headstart Information Evening Moreton Bay campus
04/09/2024	UQ Ready online session
04/09/2024	UQ Ready Rockhampton
05/09/2024	ADF: Toowoomba Defence Careers Information Session
05/09/2024	UniSC's Headstart Information Evening Sunshine Coast campus
06/09/2024	Griffith Uni's Year 12 Early Offer Guarantee's first offer round
09/09/2024	ADF: Royal Military College Information Session
09/09/2024	Griffith Law School Gold Coast Legal Essay Competition event
10/09/2024	ADF: Brisbane Army Special Forces Information Session
10/09/2024	ADF: Southport A Night in the Army Reserves
10/09/2024	Griffith Law School Brisbane Legal Essay Competition
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10/09/2024	QUT Advice night webinar
10/09/2024	UniSC's Headstart Information Evening webinar
11/09/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Army Special Forces Information Session
11/09/2024	ADF: Maroochydore Army Careers Information Session
12/09/2024	ADF: Charters Towers Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)
12/09/2024	ADF: Townsville Army Special Forces Information Session
12/09/2024	Coping with emotional challenges in career development - R U OK? Day 2024 webomar
13/09/2024	ADF: Ayr Defence Careers Information Session
13/09/2024	myQCE student competition closes
15/09/2024	UQ Young ChangeMakers Program application closing date
15/09/2024 to 20/09/2024	UQ's InspireU STEM Camp
15/09/2024	Vision Australia Further Education Bursaries applications close
16/09/2024	ACU Guarantee early offer program closes
16/09/2024	BUFTA short file competition entries close
16/09/2024	Discover QUT
16/09/2024	Explore your future career ambitions
17/09/2024	ADF: Cairns Army Careers Information Session
17/09/2024	ADF: Townsville Army Careers Information Session
17/09/2024	UQ Senior Maths Study Day
17/09/2024	UQ Year 12 Senior Maths Study day
18/09/2024	ADF: Maroochydore Army Special Forces Information Session
18/09/2024	ADF: Proserpine Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)
19/09/2024	ADF: Capalaba Defence Careers Information Session
19/09/2024	ADF: Toowoomba Army Careers Information Session
20/09/2024	ADF: Mackay Defence Careers Information Session
20/09/2024 to 22/09/2024	Jazz Music Institute September Jazz Clinic
21/09/2024	ADF: Ipswich Army Reserve Open Day
22/09/2024 to 27/09/2024	UQ's InspireU (Business, Economics and Law)
23/09/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Army Careers Information Session
24/09/2024	ADF: Brisbane Army Careers Information Session

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25/09/2024	ADF: Maroochydore Officer & Management Careers Information Session
25/09/2024	ADF: Yeppoon Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)
25/09/2024	New Griffith College Scholarship coming in 2025
26/09/2024 to 27/09/2024	QUT campus tours
27/09/2024	ADF: Rockhampton Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)
27/09/2024	QUT campus tour
30/09/2024	ADF: Brisbane Officer & Management Careers Information Session
30/09/2024	Dental Health Science Griffith Uni applications close
30/09/2024	Griffith Uni's 2025 Young Conservatorium applications close
30/09/2024	Priority places for rural students in Dentistry
30/09/2024	SCU Early Offer applications close
30/09/2024	University of New South Wales Co-op Program applications close
30/09/2024	UQ's Rural Access Scheme for Doctor of Medicine Provisional Entry pathway application closes

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