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## CAREER INFORMATION BULLETIN

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"The future depends on what you do today" - Mahatma Gandhi

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## Apprenticeships & Traineeships

#### **Preparation Checklist**

Make sure you're on the right track to get the most out of an Australian Apprenticeship, whether you're an apprentice or a trainee. The list will help you to make sure that you're prepared to start an Australian Apprenticeship or Traineeship. Click <u>here</u> and then click on 'Starting an Australian Apprenticeship' Read each statement and select your answer. This is not a formal assessment and each question is optional. You'll be given tips to help you learn more about Australian Apprenticeships along the way.

#### **QANTAS Apprenticeship Program**

The Qantas Group Engineering Apprenticeship Program offers an in-depth four-year program as a full-time engineering apprentice. They offer a variety of apprenticeships at their Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Perth, and Sydney airport maintenance facilities. Opportunities include aircraft trades (avionic, mechanical, and structural) and non-aircraft trades. Availability of trades may differ from year to year. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- Aircraft trades
- Mechanical Apprenticeships
- Avionic Apprenticeships
- Structural Apprenticeships
- Non-Aircraft Trades
- Benefits
- FAQs

#### **QBuild apprenticeships**

The Queensland Government is looking for trade apprentices to join the QBuild team. Trades available include carpentry, refrigeration mechanics, electrical, painting, and plumbing across Queensland. There's plenty of variety for a QBuild apprentice with no two days the same. One day an apprentice could work on a new build, and the next, could perform restoration or maintenance work on a heritage building. A QBuild apprenticeship offers a flexible, safe, inclusive and diverse work environment with a chance to earn income while you learn. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

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#### **Skills Gateway**

On the Skills Gateway you can search course information to find qualifications, government funding and training providers. You can also find a Skilling Queenslanders for Work project near you. Click <u>here</u> for more information including:

- Find a training course
- I want to be ...
- Am I eligible?
- Find a provider
- Find a project
- Quick links

#### **Types of Apprenticeships**

There are many different types of apprenticeships you can choose from and complete based on your circumstances and needs. Australian Apprenticeships <u>website</u> has valuable information on the following:

- What's the difference between an Apprenticeship and Traineeship?
- Australian Apprenticeships
  - What qualification will I get?
  - How much does it cost and will I be paid?
  - What should I do before starting an apprenticeship?
  - Contact an Apprentice Connect Australian provider
  - Australian School-based Apprenticeships
    - How does it work?
    - Will be paid and how much will I earn?
    - What hours will I work?
    - How do I get started?
    - Australian School-based Apprenticeship factsheet
- Pre-Apprenticeships
  - How long will it take?
  - What qualification will I get?
  - Does it cost anything?
  - Will I get paid?
  - Benefits of a pre-apprenticeship
  - How do I get started?

#### What apprenticeships or traineeships can I do

The Queensland Government has information that will help you find an apprenticeship or traineeship that suits your interests and your skills:

- <u>A-Z of apprenticeships</u>
- <u>A-Z of traineeships</u>.

Once you've decided what apprenticeship or traineeship you want to do, you'll need to find an employer in that industry to take you on as an apprentice or trainee. You and your new employer will sign the training

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contract. You will then started training with your training organisation. Read how to get started as an apprentice or trainee <u>here</u>.

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## Australian Defence Force

#### **Upcoming Australian Defence Force (ADF) events**

For details about the following events and more information on Army Reserve Information Sessions, visit the <u>Defence Jobs Australia Facebook site</u>. or visit the ADF's <u>Upcoming Events page</u>.(Note: the link may not open first time so click again)

15/10/2024	Toowoomba Army Reserve Information Session
	Townsville Army Reserve Information Session
	Loganlea A Night in the Army Reserve
16/10/2024	Brisbane Gap Year Information Session
19/10/2024	Woodford Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)
22/10/2024	Maroochydore Army Reserve Information Session
29/10/2024	Cairns Army Reserve Information Session
	Toowoomba Gap Year Information Session
30/10/2024	Townsville Gap Year Information Session
	Maroochydore Gap Year Information Session

#### Want a career with a difference?

Expand your musical repertoire across a variety of genres, playing with Defence Force bands at military, community and charity functions across Australia and potentially overseas. You can continue your love of music while being a member of the <u>Army</u>, <u>Navy</u> or <u>Airforce</u>. (Note: The link may not open on first click. If so click again).

## Career Exploration

#### **Careers with STEM magazines**

Careers with STEM produces annual magazines that are packed with information about STEM qualifications, study options and career options. Click <u>here</u> to read the 2024 magazines that have information on the following areas and more:

- Engineering
- Net Zero
- Indigenous
- Economics
- Maths and Data
- Science
- Health

#### **Occupations and jobs - Find out more**

'Occupation' is the name given to the type of work a person does. For example, a doctor, mechanic, project manager, physiotherapist or cabinet maker. You'll probably work in a number of different occupations over the course of your working life. The good news? Many of the skills and abilities developed working in one occupation are directly transferable and applicable to others. The <u>Job Outlook website</u> has information on hundreds of different occupations. They also offer job descriptions and details of average wages and main tasks. By exploring the website, you can get a sense of the kind of work that might suit you. The site can also help you understand the skills and roles that will be in demand in the future. You can also do a Career Quiz that will give you some ideas for further research.

#### **Robotics in Australia**

Robotics and automation development and adoption will be crucial to building a Future Made in Australia. We will do this in a responsible way that will allow everyone to share in the full benefits of these technologies.

These technologies can help our economy by:

- allowing Australian companies to scale and boost their productivity
- assisting in the rollout of our net zero economy
- addressing workforce shortages in sectors already under pressure.

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The Australian Government identified robotics as a <u>critical technology in the national interest</u>. Click <u>here</u> to read the report including Building Australia's robotics future and the latest robotics news.

#### The A-Z of STEM careers

Are you interested in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics) but don't know what jobs are out there? *Careers with STEM* has put together an alphabetical list of jobs that you may be interested in. Click <u>here</u> for more information starting with A for astrophysicist all the way to Z for Zoologist! You will find Job profiles, salaries for some jobs, study options and perk alerts!

#### Videos about jobs and other important things!

If you don't know anyone working in a job that you are interested in, then watch a video about the job. Visit the <u>myfuture YouTube channel</u> to view over 45 videos on a broad range of jobs and career investigation information.

#### Where can a post school qualification or Bachelor's degree get you?

The skills and knowledge gained from various academic disciplines can be applied to an array of occupations. Although this is a Canadian model the informatics can give you a great understanding of the wide range of jobs that qualifications can lead to - and not just the obvious ones! Graduates with a Bachelor's degree and graduates with a college credential below degree level (ie VET qualification) are dispersed across multiple occupations within the labour market, irrespective of their field of study. Check out the article and informatics here (scroll down to see the informatic). Open your mind to the endless possibilities!

#### Work experience and why it matters

Work experience can open up your mind to the great possibilities for work. You can learn a lot about:

- the workplace you visit
- the types of education and training required to enter different jobs
- how the job might fit within your own life.

Often parents and students think that the purpose of work experience is to assist you to obtain part-time work. This undervalues work experience as a program to help you explore, develop and refine your career ideas. So how do you get the most out of work experience? <u>Read about</u> a few points that you could consider:

- Be informed
- Be prepared
- Start now
- Be resilient
- Be involved

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#### **Workforce Australia**

Workforce Australia is a place where you can search and apply for jobs or find more information on your pathway to employment. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- Popular services:
  - $\circ$  Help to find work
  - o Employment services
  - Learn about Obligations
  - $\circ \quad \mbox{Find your local provider} \\$
  - o Starting a business
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Activities to support you into work
  - Your rights and responsibilities
  - o Explore training options
  - $\circ \quad \text{Contact information} \quad$
- Programs and activities to prepare you for work
- Tips and advice

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#### SAE FlickerUp youth short film competition

Flickerfest is an Academy Awards<sup>®</sup> Qualifying and BAFTA Qualifying festival. 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 and is open to films from students enrolled in secondary schools in Australia and individuals 18 years & under. Films must be under 35mins and be completed in the last 2 years. Entries close on Wednesday 20 November 2024. Please email: <u>industry@flickerfest.com.au</u> with any enquiries. Selected films will screen on Saturday 25 January 2025 at the festival at Bondi Beach followed by an award presentation. Click <u>here</u> for more information and entry details.

#### **Sunshine Coast Art Prize competition**

• Sunshine Coast Art Prize Applications close 17 May 2024

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# Disabilities

#### **Australian Government: Disability Employment Services**

The Australian Government Services Australia's Disability Employment Services (DES) can help you find and keep a job if you have a disability. DES providers can help you gain the job-ready and job-seeking skills you may need. If necessary, they can also provide support once you are in a job. Visit the <u>DES website</u> for more information about this service.

#### **Brisbane Fresh Futures Market**

The 2024 Brisbane Fresh Futures Market will be held on 1 and 2 November 2024 at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre from 9am to 3pm. You will be able to talk with representatives from government and advocacy organisations, aids and equipment providers, financial and legal services, education, training and employment providers and more. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### **Educational Access Scheme for QTAC applicants**

Students with a disability are strongly encouraged to apply for the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) when applying for tertiary courses through QTAC. You may be eligible to receive Adjustment Factors that will improve your chance of receiving a course offer. It is not too late to apply for EAS if you have already put in your QTAC application. Visit the Educational Access Scheme on the QTAC website to download the relevant cover sheet (or sheets). Complete the cover sheet and upload your supporting documents to your QTAC application (by going to 'Outstanding Documents'). The final date to submit your EAS application for the offer-rounds on 23 December 2024 is 8 December and for 16 January 2025, 9 December 2024. Visit Key dates and fees page for offer round dates or check in your QTAC 2025 Guide on Page 19.. QTAC recommends that current Year 12 students submit their application by the end of October, so additional information can be accessed from your school if necessary.

#### Studying at QUT with a disability, injury or health condition

Prospective students with a disability, injury or health condition are encouraged to make a pre-enrolment appointment with a QUT Disability Adviser to discuss their situation and potential adjustments which could assist their university learning. Visit <u>disability support website</u> for more information.

### Employment, Job and Labour Market Info

#### Do you have a summer job?

There are many benefits of getting a summer job including work experience and work history, skill development, interview experience, improving your teamwork skills and money in the bank. Now is a great time to start looking for a casual job over the Christmas holidays. If you are looking for somewhere to work, you could start with:

- Doing a Google search on Christmas holiday jobs
- Asking your parents and friends if they know of anything being offered
- Going down to your local shopping centre and look for signs in shop windows (take your resume with you and dress well)
- Ask your friends with jobs to tell you if any jobs come up where they work

Good luck and happy hunting. Remember, you don't have to continue after the holidays end and you might just enjoy the gig.

#### Know what you want to be but not how to get there?

The Australian Government's Your Career <u>website</u> has information about occupations. If you're exploring or looking for a specific occupation then you can search here to find out more including:

- Job titles
- Qualifications and estimated duration of study
- Estimated fee for study
- Employment and/or future study prospects
- Apprenticeship or Traineeship options

#### **Microsoft Traineeship Program - IT Traineeship**

Kickstart your career in IT through the Microsoft Traineeship Program! MEGT is now taking expressions of interest for various Host Employers in Brisbane. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

#### Specialties in psychology

There are many specialties in psychology. Some of the specialties include:

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- Clinical neuropsychologists
- Clinical psychologists
- Community psychologists
- Psychologists with general registration
- Counselling psychologists
- Educational and developmental psychologists
- Forensic psychologists
- Health psychologists
- Organisational psychologists
- Sport and exercise psychologists

Read about these specialist areas on the Australian Psychological Society website.

#### **Teamwork Skills: Definition and Examples**

Having strong teamwork skills is essential to succeeding at work no matter what industry you are in or job title you have. Working well with clients, colleagues, managers and other people in your workplace can help you complete tasks efficiently while creating an enjoyable environment both for yourself and others. An organisation that focuses on good teamwork skills is typically a healthy, high-functioning workplace. In this <u>article</u>, Indeed will take a closer look at what teamwork skills are, how you can improve your team work skills and other soft skills that can help you be a good teammate.

#### Transition to work - A Workforce Australia Program

Transition to Work helps young people aged 15-24 into work (including apprenticeships and training) or education. You will receive intensive, pre-employment support to develop practical skills to get a job, connect with education or training, find local job opportunities and connect with relevant local community services. Click <u>here</u> for more information on:

- Eligibility
- Preparing for a job
- Resources

#### Why Engineering

There is more to Engineering than the obvious - Civil, Mechanical or even Electrical. Click on the links below to read about:

- Metallurgy careers
- Biomedical Engineering careers

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#### Your career - Get started now!

Your career starts now! Your casual job is a great place to start to develop yourwork place and soft skills for future employment. You will have many different jobs in your work life, all leading to the next great career opportunity. But where and how to start? SkillsRoad.com.au has a <u>website</u> section that provides information on how to hunt for, apply for and prepare for job interviews including:

- Getting career ready
- Job hunting tips
- Resume and cover letters
- Keeping up to date
- Job interviews

#### myfuture Clean Energy Sector Resources

Career Development Association of Australia has put together some information on the clean energy sector which is a fast growing and exciting career space with a range of opportunities emerging in wind, solar, hydro and battery storage. myfuture has developed career resources to highlight some of these roles as Australia moves towards a shared goal of net zero emissions by 2050. Be inspired by reading interesting real-life <u>career stories</u> of people who work in this sector and discover the different pathways they took to their chosen careers.

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#### Australian Film TV and Radio School's (AFTRS) Constellation Creatives Scholarship

AFTRS are excited to announce a new scholarship in partnership with Constellation Creatives, founded by actor and investment manager Orion Lee. The merit-based scholarship highlights creative excellence and supports Asian Australian creative representation in our national screen culture. AFTRS works with its partners to offer over 35 scholarships each year. The Constellation Creatives Scholarship joins <u>The HOYTS</u> <u>Group and the Dylan Alcott Foundation (DAF)</u> as the newly announced three scholarships to prioritise access and equity so that the most talented creatives across Australia can access AFTRS world-leading creative education. Click <u>here</u> for more scholarships, information and application details. Applications for the Constellation Creatives Scholarship close on 4 November.

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#### **CAS Hawker Scholarships**

The C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship commemorates the achievements of one of Australia's most respected pastoral pioneers who served in the First World War and went on to become a distinguished scholar and leading figure in the Federal Parliament. The Scholarship is available to Australian undergraduate and post-graduate students and is valued at up to \$60,000 and contributes to the cost of residential fees at either:

- Burgmann College, Canberra ACT
- St Marks College, Adelaide SA
- Roseworthy College, Roseworthy SA
- Robb College, Armidale NSW
- Trinity College, Cambridge UK
- Marcus Oldham College, Geelong VIC

You must be an Australian citizen and convincingly demonstrate your potential as a future leader, the contribution you have made to your school and community and your academic ability, in keeping with the example C.A.S. Hawker set as a leader and his contribution and service to Australia. Applications for the 2025 <u>C.A.S. Hawker Scholarships</u> open on 18 November 2024 and close on 6 January 2025.

#### **Central Queensland University Scholarships for 2025**

If you are thinking of studying at CQUni, check out the wide variety of scholarships they have on offer. Click <u>here</u> to find the 2025 domestic and international student scholarships on offer, closing dates and application details. **Remember, many scholarships go un-awarded due to lack of applicants so it's best to apply if you are considering CQUni as you may just be successful!** 

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#### **Country Education Foundation of Australia (CEF) scholarships**

CEF Extra is a program designed to provide additional support to eligible CEF students. They work closely with generous individuals and organisations to offer extra funding opportunities in addition to local grants. Click <u>here</u> to read what is available and how to apply.

#### **Griffith Uni scholarships**

Whether you excel in the classroom or on the field, need to relocate for uni or are experiencing circumstances affecting your ability to study, you could be just one form away from a Griffith scholarship. Scholarships provide financial support while you study, allowing you to focus more on your learning. If you don't check them out you may miss out on some valuable assistance that would make your Uni life more manageable, happy and successful. Click <u>here</u> to find out what scholarships are on offer and how to apply.

#### **QUT sport and Esport scholarships**

If you are an elite athlete in sport or Esport, QUT offer several scholarships that may assist you to balance your sporting and academic commitments. Click on the links below for more details about what you'll receive, eligibility, how to apply, what happens next and conditions. Find out about:

- <u>QUT Sport Scholarship (Elite Athlete)</u> QUT offer scholarships for athletes competing at varying levels of sport. Scholarships are open to sportspeople representing in sports verified by Sport Australia.
- <u>QUT-AIS Scholarship</u> \$10,000 scholarship, membership to QUT's Elite Athlete Program and the College of Excellence
- <u>QUT Esport Scholarship</u> \$5,000 scholarship, member to the Tigers Esport Academy Development Program, nutrition and sports psychology services, membership to the QUT College of Excellence and Elite Athlete program

Applications close on 13 January 2025.

#### Study Assist - government financial assistance for further study

The Australian Government provides financial assistance in several forms to young people wanting to take on a study program. On the Study Assist <u>website</u> you can find information about what to do before you study, HELP Loans including HECS loans, VET Students, Support while you study, paying back your loan and more information if you need help.

#### UQ and St Leo's College Scholarships

The St Leo's College Scholarship Program rewards future residents whose achievements deserve special commendation and recognition. This may be in the areas of academics, culture, sports or leadership or in the form of a desire to contribute to the College in its various local, national and global endeavours. Click <u>here</u> for more information on available scholarships, eligibility and closing dates.

#### University of the Sunshine Coast scholarships close in November

Scholarships and bursaries aren't just for high academic achievers or if you are struggling financially. They're also available for students demonstrating sporting achievement or community involvement such as volunteering, fund raising or taking on a leadership role. Visit the Scholarship <u>web page</u> to see what is available before applications for Semester One 2025 scholarships close on 30 November 2024.

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#### **Aurora Education Foundation**

Aurora Education Foundation has 463 scholarships and grants that are currently open and that you can apply for. They range across many different institutions, qualifications and value. Check them out <u>here</u> and always remember, if you don't apply you will never get a scholarship.

## Indigenous Commonwealth Education and Accommodation Scholarships through Griffith University

The Indigenous Commonwealth Education and Accommodation Scholarships are for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students who have experienced financial hardship, and/or education disadvantage that has impacted their ability to achieve their full potential. The Indigenous Commonwealth Education Scholarship is valued at \$12,000, paid over a maximum of eight payments. The Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship is valued at \$22,000 and is paid over a maximum of eight payments. Click <u>here</u> to find out more information about how to apply.

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## Gap Year Program News

#### Spend your gap year as a volunteer

Volunteering is a great way to:

- Explore a range of jobs (gain work experience)
- Help you make new friends and contacts (expand your network)
- Improve your social, relationship and communication skills
- Increase your confidence and boost your self-esteem
- Keep you healthy, physically and mentally
- Add to your resume
- Help you learn new skills
- Connect to your community
- Develop effective team skills
- Gain a sense of well-being and fulfilment

Read the myfuture article '<u>Volunteering</u>' to understand the full range of benefits you receive through volunteering. For volunteering ideas, you can explore the following websites:

- Volunteering Queensland
- Go Volunteer
- <u>Seek Volunteer</u>
- Volunteer with the Red Cross in Queensland.

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## Private Provider Updates

#### **BASAIR Aviation College**

Are you thinking of aviation as a career? If you are wanting to become a commercial pilot, <u>BASAIR</u> offers a <u>Trial Instructional Flight</u>. These flights can be booked any day of the week and a typical booking is 1.5hrs, allowing you time to brief and de-brief after the flight. They also offer:

- Certificate III in Aviation AVI30419 (Remote Pilot Visual Line of Sight)
- Diploma of Aviation AVI50222 (Commercial Pilot Licence Aeroplane)
- Diploma of Aviation AVI50519 (Instrument Rating) CRICOS Approved
- Diploma of Aviation AVI50419 (Flight Instructor)
- Diploma of Aviation Combined Package Diploma of Aviation AVI50222 (Commercial Pilot Licence Aeroplane) and Diploma of Aviation AVI50519 (Instrument Rating)

Click <u>here</u> to find out more including the Brisbane Pilot Career Seminars held on <u>17 October</u> and <u>16</u> <u>November</u>.

#### Offer certainty for Year 12 students at Griffith College

Griffith College offers Year 12 graduates study options that are not based on ATAR. You don't need an ATAR to apply. Successful study at Griffith College will see you progress to your chosen Bachelor's degree at Griffith University. The following are suggestions for meeting eligibility for entry into a course:

- Queensland Certificate of Education (or equivalent from another state)
- A statement of results with a grade of C or better in Units 3 and 4 in three General or Applied subjects
- Completed Certificate III
- An ATAR

Students must list Griffith College as one of their preferences on their QTAC application. Click <u>here</u> for more information including:

- <u>Study options</u>
- <u>Student life</u>
- <u>How to apply</u>
- <u>Student support</u>
- Latest news

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#### **SAE University College**

SAE University College Brisbane campus is located in Brisbane's West End. You will have access to state-ofthe-art studios and equipment, a teaching and learning team committed to excellence in education and specialist training. SAE University College Brisbane offers courses in:

- Animation
- <u>Audio</u> Engineering and Sound production
- <u>Creative Industries</u>
- <u>Computer Science</u>
- <u>Visual Communication and Graphic Design</u>
- <u>Cinematography and Film Making</u>
- Game Design and Development
- <u>Music</u>

Click here to find out more about their facilities, upcoming events, latest news and courses on offer.

#### Take a 360 look into SAE Uni College immersive sound

SAE University College say that after 50 years of stereo, 360-degree immersive sound is set to become the next major technological advancement in the audio and music industries. Following their panel discussion at the inaugural Sound West conference in Western Sydney, SAE University College audio lecturers Chris Hancock and Stewart Geddes shared their insights into the industry and what it's like educating the next generation of audio engineers. Click <u>here</u> to find out more.

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## QTAC & Tertiary Entry

#### **ATAR Portal registration**

Have you registered on the ATAR portal to have your ATAR calculated by QTAC? Remember, when registering for the ATAR portal, **you must use your personal email address**. If you have registered using your school email address, now is the time to change it to your personal email address which will ensure you won't get locked out of your account once you graduate. To update your email address, log into the ATAR portal and update via the portal. If you have forgotten your password, you need to call QTAC on 1300 467 822. Visit the QTAC ATAR page for more information!

#### How to Respond to an offer

Visit the QTAC Offers webpage for specific information about responding to your offer. It's important to understand how you'll be notified and how to respond quickly to secure your place. It's important to know what options are available to you and how you will respond if you receive an offer. Click <u>here</u> (click on Offers at the top of the page) to find out more including:

- How QTAC will notify you
- Responding to an offer
  - Accept Check with the institution for enrolment details and dates
  - Conditional response By selecting a conditional response, you indicate that you would like to be considered for a higher preference
  - Defer Rules for course deferral vary by institution. Please visit our deferment page on our website for <u>institution policies</u>
  - I no longer wish to study By rejecting your offer outright, you notify QTAC that you no longer wish to study or be considered for any other preferences
- What to do if you didn't get an offer

It is essential that you respond by the due date (usually within four (4) days of receiving your offer). If you don't, your offer will lapse and you will not be considered for any other offer rounds. If you miss a due date, contact QTAC as soon as possible. Also, it may not be wise to reject an offer. If you are considering doing this, first contact QTAC on 1300 467 822 to discuss this move.

#### Manage your QTAC application!

After you have lodged your application, it is a good idea to login into your application from time to time to:

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- Update your contact details Phone QTAC on **1300 467 822** to change your name, date of birth, citizenship status, gender, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, Maori, Pasifika or Australian South Sea Islander status, gender or qualification details.
- See if you have received any correspondence from QTAC about your application
- See if you are meeting the entry requirements
- See if you have submitted any and all necessary additional documentation
- See if you get an offer?
- Q&A section

QTAC will usually communicate with you using the email address on your application (this should be your personal email - **not your school email**). Get into the habit of checking your emails regularly including Junk. Think of linking your emails to your smart phone to make it easy for you to regularly check. Read Pages 15 and 16 of your QTAC Guide for more information.

It is recommended that Year 12 students apply to QTAC early. Some courses have early and/or fixed closing dates which must be met and you can find these on Page 19 and 20 of your 2025 QTAC Guide. Also, if you are competitive (ATAR results) you may be offered a place before the major offer round in January. View the key dates <u>here</u>.

#### Pathways to university study

While an ATAR is still the most popular pathway to gaining entry to your preferred university course, it is not the only pathway available in Queensland. If you don't achieve your university course goal straight after Year 12, it is not the end of the road. There are many upgrading pathways available to you. Several tertiary institutions have web pages dedicated to the alternative pathways to tertiary studies.

- Australian Catholic University <u>Admission Pathways</u>
- Bond University <u>Diploma Preparation Program</u>
- CQUniversity Entry Pathway
- Griffith University <u>Admission Pathways</u>
- James Cook University <u>Discover Your Pathway</u>
- Queensland University of Technology <u>Admission Pathways</u>
- TAFE Queensland <u>University pathways</u>
- University of Queensland <u>Consider your pathway options</u>
- University of Southern Queensland <u>Pathway Programs</u>
- University of the Sunshine Coast <u>Uni Pathways</u>

Also, check out the <u>Upgrading Pathways</u> page on the QTAC website. Note that some of the pathways are specific to the institution that is listing them. You should always check that the institution you want to go to accepts the pathway you are thinking of choosing.

#### **Rural Access Scheme (RAS)**

The Rural Access Scheme (RAS) is for students who have lived in rural and remote areas for five years consecutively or ten years cumulatively across any period in their lifetime. The RAS could see you benefit from a rank adjustment or a designated rural and remote quota place. Rural/remote status is determined by

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the Modified Monash Model (MM) category 2-7. Check your address <u>here</u>. A school letter is the best evidence of rural residence. Click <u>here</u> to find the application form.

#### Some QTAC Q&As

## Q. I applied for the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) when I applied to QTAC. What do I need to do now?

**A.** If you didn't download an Educational Access Scheme cover sheet/s for the category/categories you are applying for, click <u>here</u> and scroll down to EAS info, then click on the relevant EAS category. The cover sheet/sheets provide a list of all documentation that you will need to submit to QTAC by the <u>Key dates</u>.

## Q. I didn't apply for the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) when I applied to QTAC. Can I still apply for EAS?

**A.** Yes. You can go back into your application and apply for EAS. Then you need to download the relevant cover sheet (or sheets) from the <u>Assistance Scheme page</u> (scroll down) on the QTAC website. Complete all the requirements listed on the cover sheet. Attach any required supporting documents by uploading to your QTAC application or post your completed EAS application to QTAC. Some cover sheets may require a school statement. QTAC would like Year 12 students to submit their EAS applications by the end of October.

## Q. I am totally confused about offer rounds. According to the *2025 Year 12 Guide*, the offer-round for my courses is 11 January 2025. Now I hear that I could get an earlier offer.

**A.** Institutions can give offers to eligible applicants (i.e. applicants who have met all the entry requirements) at different times. Visit the <u>Course Offer Dates</u> page on the QTAC website for dates when institutions might give offers. Offers will be made on all offer-round dates. It is essential that you keep checking your emails as this is how QTAC will let you know you have an offer (don't forget to check your Spam or Junk box!). This is critical as you must respond to an offer by the due date (often within 4 days) or your offer will lapse and you will not be considered for any other courses in future offer rounds.

## Q. I applied for a university course that requires an audition but didn't do the audition. Will I still be considered for entry into this course?

A. You should contact the university. However, the answer will probably be 'No'.

## Q. I am not sure what my ATAR will be. The Pathways (preferences 5 and 6) courses on my QTAC application have previous minimum thresholds of ATAR 78. Is this a good enough safety net?

**A.** No. It is advisable to select pathways courses (especially your 6th preference) which indicate that all applicants received an offer in 2024. Remember, you can always go back into your QTAC application AFTER you receive your ATAR and make any changes to your preferences that will see you competitive in gaining a place in a course in 2025.

#### Q. Where can I get help with my QTAC application after I leave school?

**A.** Your best source of help at that time of the year is <u>QTAC</u>. You can ring QTAC on 1300 467 822 or use the <u>Contact Us</u> page on the QTAC website. You may want to email as the QTAC phone is very busy at this time of year and you need to be patient as you will be placed on a queue.

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#### The Educational Access Scheme (EAS) reminder

If you have been negatively impacted by circumstances beyond your control, Educational Access Scheme (EAS) may assist you in reaching your study dreams with rank adjustments. You might think of the obvious factors impacting your students like financial hardship, illness or disabilities, however, EAS may also help in times of natural disasters. Click <u>here</u> for more information about the Scheme, categories and eligibility.

#### USI: All you need to know

The USI (Unique Student Identifier) is a student's individual education number for life. From January 2023 the USI has been mandatory for all higher education students graduating in 2023 or beyond. You need a USI if you are:

- a higher education student graduating in 2023 or beyond
- undertaking Nationally Recognised Training (e.g. VET qualifications)
- a higher education student seeking Commonwealth financial assistance (e.g. a HECS-HELP loan)
- an international student studying onshore in Australia

Australian school students need to create a USI before they apply for tertiary study. There is no minimum age requirement to create a USI. Find out more about the USI on the Australian Government <u>website</u>.

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## Queensland Curriculum & Assessment Authority



#### Final subject results for 2024 Year 12 students

Final subject results and <u>Senior Education Profiles</u> (SEPs) for 2024 Year 12 graduates will be available from 9.00 am on Wednesday 11 December 2024. You can access them via your learning account in the Student Portal on the <u>myQCE website</u>. You will need your 10-digit Learner Unique Identifier (LUI) if you haven't as yet registered for the Student Portal. The <u>Results FAQs</u> contain information to help you understand your results and access your Senior Education Profile (SEP) when it is available. For further assistance, contact <u>ClientServices@qcaa.gld.edu.au</u> or phone (07) 3864 0299.

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## Study Skills and Wellbeing

#### 5 tips to help you cope with stress

Research from the American Mental Health First Aid indicates that high school students spend most of their time attending classes, participating in extracurricular activities and doing homework. There is constant pressure to do everything and do it well to prepare for a successful career or higher education after high school. This can cause a lot of stress. Although a moderate amount of stress in our lives is manageable, excess stress doesn't get you anywhere positive. <u>This article</u> provides you with some tips to manage your stress in a healthy way such as:

- 1. Get some sleep
- 2. Focus on your strengths
- 3. Do things that make you happy
- 4. Engage in physical activity
- 5. Talk to someone

#### Effective ways to memorise for exams

Studying for exams is challenging but with some tips it can not be as stressful. Click <u>here</u> to read an article written by Jess Holsman, Deakin psychology graduate and founder of YouTube's 'Study With Jess', where she gives advice to thousands of students around the world on effective study. She outlines some different study techniques that involve active learning and that are tailored to each of the four types of learning styles:

- Visual learners
- Auditory learners
- Read and write learners
- Kinaesthetic/Physical learners

#### Stress - How well am I managing it?

<u>Healthdirect</u> has put together some key facts on stress. Knowing what to look for and getting on top of your stress can make your life manageable, successful and happy.Click <u>here</u> and read about:

- What is stress?
- How do I know if I'm too stressed?
- What are some common causes of stress?
- How can I manage my stress?
- When should I see my doctor?
- How can I prevent stress?
- What happens if I don't manage my stress?

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- <u>Resources and support</u>
- <u>Related information on Australian websites</u>

#### Things I wish I knew before leaving school

*Felicia Jaremus* is a researcher at the University of Newcastle. The following information comes from a research project led by Felicia and funded by the National Centre for Student Equity in Higher Education. She interviewed 21 young people to gain an understanding of the pathways they took and the choices they made since leaving school and how these related to their aspirations at school. The young people were given the opportunity to reflect on what they wish they had known when they were at school. Their advice may help you better prepare for life after school. Click <u>here</u> to read about some of their thoughts including:

- There are different ways to enter university other than the Australian Tertiary Admissions Ranking (ATAR)
- Hearing from students who have recently left school
- Not everyone completes their degree and jobs after university can be hard to get
- It's ok not to go to university
- There are many career options, including those that don't require a university degree

Mental health and wellbeing are important when considering the future

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#### Free TAFE for Year 12 graduates

**TAFE** Queensland Updates

To support Queensland's Year 12 graduates to successfully transition to employment, the Government is offering fee-free <u>TAFE</u> in high priority qualifications. The training is available through a range of Certificate III level vocational education and training (VET) courses as well as apprenticeships and traineeships. View the <u>courses offered by TAFE Queensland</u> and the full list of high priority qualifications is available on the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training website.

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## Universities

#### 2025 Directory of performing arts courses

Interested in performing arts courses? Access the <u>Stage Whispers Directory of Performing Arts Courses 2025</u> for a comprehensive list of performing arts courses in Australia and New Zealand.

#### Census date at Uni - important information if you are not happy at Uni

Census date is the date at which your enrolment and fee arrangements/responsibilities are considered finalised for the study period. Census date is the last date you can drop a course/subject/s without receiving a financial or academic penalty. Each university has their individual policies and you can find them by simply googling 'Census Date + Universities'. If you want to leave or defer a course/degree, make sure you talk with Student Services BEFORE census date.

#### **Student One - Brisbane Student Accommodation**

<u>Student One</u> knows that when deciding where to live, it's important to consider more than just your place of study. You're choosing your new home, so your surroundings, cost of living, work life, and social life should all be taken into account. Their location in Brisbane's central business district puts you just a short walk away from major universities, shopping centers, entertainment and nightlife. With easy access to all that Brisbane has to offer, you can explore the city and get where you need to go quickly.

#### The five most common university myths debunked

There are popular myths about university study some of which are:

**First year Uni doesn't count** – False. At most universities, first year results contribute to your final grade point average (GPA). Your GPA is of interest to future employers. Furthermore, your first year GPA (if good enough) can be used to be competitive for entry to your preferred course if you didn't get straight into it from school. You can apply for scholarships once you get to Uni and your GPA is important when applying for these scholarships.

I'll be paying off my HECS-HELP debt for the rest of my life – False. The HECS-HELP loan scheme helps you pay your part of the cost of the course you are studying (called 'Student contribution'). You begin paying it through the Australian Tax Office as part of your income tax once you have completed your course and are earning a threshold amount (\$51,550 from 1 July 2023). You don't pay interest on your debt, but it is

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indexed each year to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. Click <u>here</u> to access current Commonwealth Supported Places and HECS-HELP information.

**I'll never find a job after graduation** – Competition for jobs is high. However, you can increase your employability while you are studying by gaining work experience in the field in which you want to work. This not only looks good on your resume, but it also gives employers a chance to see what sort of worker you are. Don't wait until your final year at uni to start looking for jobs. Access the uni Careers and Employment services and programs early during your studies.

**If I don't make friends during O Week, I never will** – For those who don't know, O Week is Orientation Week which is usually the week before lectures begin. This is an important week as the information you receive will introduce you to the support services and other activities available. You will have many additional opportunities to make friends during your Uni studies. If you're not particularly comfortable starting up a conversation with a random in class, get involved in a university club or two.

**Lectures can be skipped** – Yes and No. Lectures are usually recorded and made available online, so technically, you don't need to attend in person. However, there is good reasons why you should go to every class. Attendance might form part of a percentage of your final mark. You're paying to sit in that lecture theatre, so you might as well show up and enjoy it. Lectures provide an opportunity to make new friends and of course, impress a lecturer or two. Lecturers are great contacts for future employment.

#### Tips for making the most of O Week

After leaving school, the big, wide world of TAFE or Uni can be downright 'scary' for a fresh high-school graduate. Luckily, all universities provide some type of orientation, known as O Week, for new students to welcome them and give them a chance to get to know the environment before classes start. Click <u>here</u> to read tips about O Week generally including:

- Stepping out of your comfort zone,
- Get organised
- If you already know people at uni, join forces
- If you get lost, there's an app for that!

#### **Australian Catholic University**

#### 2025 Course Guides

The Undergraduate course guide gives you a taste of what learning at ACU university is like. Click <u>here</u> to check out the 2025 Course Guide which includes, amongst other information:

- Course information
- Course area index
- Why choose ACU
- Llfe at ACU
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student success
- Timetables, units and course maps
- Study in Rome

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#### Find a course

ACU has an easy to use course search engine. Click <u>here</u> to research their study areas and courses. You can register your interest and get up-to-date information and find key dates.

#### **Bond University**

#### Is Bond a good fit for you?

Bond Uni is located on the Gold Coast. They adopt a personalised approach to education, small class sizes and global networks. Click <u>here</u> to find out more.

#### Medicine at Bond

The <u>Medical</u> program at Bond is comprised of two sequential degrees: Bachelor of Medical Studies (B Med St) and Doctor of Medicine (MD). Click <u>here</u> for important dates and deadlines for the 2025 intake. Enrolments in the program are *strictly limited* to ensure small class sizes and sufficient clinical placements. As such, entry is extremely competitive, therefore applicants are selected through a rigorous assessment process:

Step 1: Academic Assessment

Step 2: Psychometric Test

Step 3: Interview

Click here to find out more about the program and entry requirements.

#### **Central Queensland University**

#### Accommodation options for 2025

CQU offers students accommodation options across its two main campuses <u>Capricornia College</u> in Rockhampton and <u>Canefield College</u> in Mackay. Both campuses are now <u>accepting applications</u> for Semester 1, 2025. Click <u>here</u> to read more about the on-campus accommodation options at CQU.

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#### **Book a conversation**

To help you explore your future study options or answer your questions, you can book a conversation with the CQU support team where they can answer your questions about course options and pathways. Choose your preferred day, time and chat platform - phone, zoom, email or Facebook Messenger. Click <u>here</u> to book a conversation.

#### **Griffith University**

#### Bridging Maths - Improve maths skills to meet entry to study teacher education

If you're ready to study a teaching degree at university but don't have the maths prerequisite, successful completion of Griffith's Bridging Maths meets subject prerequisite requirements for entry into Griffith education degrees. You could commence your studies in the next available trimester. Click <u>here</u> to find out more including:

- Course topics
- Delivery mode
- Course dates
- Eligibility
- How to apply

#### **Griffith's Adjustment Factor Calculator**

The ATAR you receive isn't always the ATAR Griffith University considers. Your entry rank could be boosted by up to 8.00 points depending on a range of factors including where you live, your background and what you've studied. That's why Griffith has developed an online Adjustment Factor Calculator, so you can confidently see where you stand and maximise your chances of getting into your dream degree. Click <u>here</u> to access the calculator.

#### Information for high school students

Year 12 students apply for Griffith undergraduate degrees online through <u>QTAC</u> or <u>UAC</u>. You can also search for more information through their <u>Degree Finder</u>. If you are applying as an international student, visit <u>international</u> applications. Click <u>here</u> to read more about:

- Year 12 Early Offer Guarantee
- ATAR Guarantee
- Prerequisites and Assumed Knowledge
- Griffith Bridging English
- Adjustment factors
- International Baccalaureate Diploma
- Rural Priority Access Scheme
- All about your ATAR

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- VET pathways
- Study uni while at school
- High achievers
- Elite Athletes
- Scholarships

#### New Commerce Degrees in 2025

Griffith University's new suite of commerce degrees is set to launch next year. The Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Commerce (Advanced) and Diploma of Commerce will give students the essential technical skills and knowledge needed to thrive in accounting, finance, economics and beyond. Click here to find out more about degree majors in:

- Accounting
- Business Analytics
- Economics
- Finance
- Financial Planning
- Taxation

#### New Digital Marketing and Analytics Degree in 2025

In 2025, Griffith is offering their new Bachelor of Digital Marketing and Analytics degree. It is for people who want to gain the high-tech digital marketing skills to turn data into decisions. Graduates will work at the forefront of technology in content creation, market research, AI, social marketing, data insights and more. Click <u>here</u> to find out more and apply through QTAC as one of your course options.

#### Want to apply to Griffith? Book a Q&A session

You can book a 30-minute Q&A session to explore your study options, receive personalised application support and get advice on a range of support services available at Griffith. You can book a 30-minutes Q&A video call or telephone session. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to book an appointment.

#### **Queensland University of Technology**

#### **2024 Creative Arts Graduate Showcases**

Each year, QUT's graduating students from diverse creative disciplines present their amazing work. These student showcases offer students, parents and teachers a chance to see what a career in the creative industries could be like and discover the exciting prospects that a QUT degree might unlock for you.

Upcoming QUT graduate showcases include:

• Music Showcase: 6-10pm, 18 October, Gardens Theatre, Gardens Point Page 35 of 43

- DANCE24: 5-7pm, 24-25 October, Z9, Gona Parade, Kelvin Grove
- Student showcase for technical production: 10am-3pm, 5 November, Z9, Gona Parade, Kelvin Grove
- Visual arts graduate exhibition: 10am-6pm, 7-8 November, QUT Frank Moran Gallery, Gona Parade, Kelvin Grove
- Acting graduation performance: 28 November, Gardens Theatre, Gardens Point
- Film, screen & animation Endslate Screening: 6.30-9.30pm, 2 December, Gardens Theatre, Gardens Point

Find out more and book tickets.

#### Architecture and Civil Engineering double degree

QUT's <u>Bachelor of Architectural Design/Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Civil)</u> allows students to complete two bachelor degrees in 6 years. This diverse course combines studies in architecture and engineering, leading graduates to careers in a range of fields including architecture, project management, property development, construction, or civil engineering. Learn more about this double degree <u>here</u>.

#### **Business and Design International degrees**

QUT's <u>Bachelor of Business—International</u> and <u>Bachelor of Design—International</u> provides you with intercultural skills and global employment opportunities through a year of international study. You will continue to pay your course fees as though you are studying in Australia, classes are instructed in English and you may complete an internship abroad. <u>Read more about other overseas study opportunities</u>.

#### **Combined Diploma Begree programs**

QUT's combined diploma degrees may suite you if you are looking for a pathway to a Bachelor Degrees at QUT. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- Why choose a combined diploma degree?
- How does it work?
- Find the right combined diploma degree
- Real-world learning
- Explore other pathways

#### New courses - Bachelor of Property Economics double degrees

QUT are offering the following new courses to commence in 2025. Check them out as they may be what you are looking for!

- <u>Bachelor of Built Environment (Honours) (Construction Management and Quantity</u> <u>Surveying)/Bachelor of Property Economics</u>
- Bachelor of Built Environment (Honours) (Interior Design)/Bachelor of Property Economics

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- <u>Bachelor of Built Environment (Honours) (Urban and Regional Planning)/Bachelor of Property</u>
  <u>Economics</u>
- Bachelor of Architectural Design/Bachelor of Property Economics

#### **QUT College for domestic students**

QUT College pathway programs will give you the skills and confidence to pursue your chosen degree at QUT. They offer bridging programs to diplomas and a range of pathway programs to help you step into your QUT undergraduate degree with confidence. Click <u>here</u> for more information including:

- Diplomas and certificates
- Bridging programs
- University Preparation Program

#### QUT You

QUT's innovative new curriculum, <u>QUT You</u>, will be embedded into undergraduate courses from 2025 to develop students' skills in areas such as critical and creative thinking, self-awareness and digital fluency. The courses will support students to understand global and social concepts and how these relate to the individual and their role in the local and global community. <u>Read more.</u>

#### Quick Q&A

Can a student who is eligible for a QUT bachelor degree choose a QUT diploma pathway if they want more support or are not as confident?

Yes, absolutely. Read more about the <u>QUT College environment and support</u>.

## Are QUT diplomas and the undergraduate certificate (nursing) offered as Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP)?

Yes, for students who meet <u>CSP eligibility requirements</u>.

Is there a minimum selection rank/ATAR requirement for QUT diplomas?

Yes, the offer guarantee for these courses is 60.00 for 2025 entry.

#### Does QUT consider students with an incomplete International Baccalaureate Diploma?

Yes, we will consider these students for our <u>QUT College diplomas and undergraduate certificate (nursing)</u>, which provide a pathway to related bachelor degrees as well as a selection rank that can be considered for entry to other QUT degrees.

## If an Indigenous Australian student applies for QUT via QTAC, what is the process for the Oodgeroo Unit to consider their application?

If a student identifies as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander on their QTAC application and includes a QUT course in their top three preferences, the <u>Oodgeroo Unit</u> will contact them to invite them to participate in the <u>Centralised Assessment and Selection Process</u> (CASP).

## For scholarships that are for students struggling financially, is there a specific income associated with this?

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No, these scholarships are assessed based the level of financial and personal hardship with scholarships allocated to students who are most in need. <u>Find out more about eligibility and documentation</u> requirements.

#### Year 12 Early Offer Scheme—upcoming key dates

The <u>Year 12 Early Offer Scheme</u> can provide you with an offer to study at QUT on your last day of Year 12. More than 80 single and double degrees are included in the scheme.

Key dates:

- **16 October:** you need to have completed your QTAC application, listing an eligible course in your top three preferences. Invitations to apply for the scheme will then be sent to you up until 18 October.
- **31 October:** final date to submit supporting documentation.
- **8 November:** if you are approved for an early offer you will receive email notification.
- **12 November:** final date to reorder preferences to ensure an eligible course is listed as your first preference.
- **15 November:** QUT early offers released via QTAC.

If you are unable to upload your documentation by 31 October you can be considered for an early offer for the same courses on 25 November. <u>Check the key dates, courses and eligibility</u>.

#### The University of Queensland

#### **Concurrent diplomas**

<u>A concurrent diploma</u> is a diploma-level qualification (<u>AQF 5</u>) that you can study alongside your bachelor's program. All diplomas are made up of 16 units and you can spread these units across the duration of your bachelor's program, or you can complete these units in a concentrated period. You can apply to add the <u>Diploma in Languages</u> as a concurrent diploma. You apply to add a concurrent diploma once you are enrolled in your Bachelor program.

#### Elite Athlete and Sporting Scholarship Webinar

UQ are hosting a webinar on 22 October where you will learn about UQ's Elite Athlete Program which supports high-performing athletes, including Olympians, Paralypians, Commonwealth Games participants and professional athletes. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about the webinar, who should attend and to register.

#### Language enrichment program

This UQ program will help you to improve your proficiency in Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, or Spanish. Courses are online for Years 9-10 and online or in-person for Years

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11-12. The next program will run between 13 and 17 January 2025. Enrolments close on 9 December 2024. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

#### **Queensland Mathematics Summer School**

UQ's Queensland Mathematics Summer School (QMSS) (20 - 23 January 2025) introduces 2025, Year 11 students to the beauty of advanced mathematical ideas and new ways of thinking. Hosted by UQ's School of Mathematics and Physics each year, this multi-day non-residential program is aimed at current Year 10 students who have passion for mathematics and are looking forward to their senior years' studies in mathematics. Students commencing Year 11 in 2025 who have chosen to study QCE Mathematical Methods and Specialist Mathematics or IB Mathematics (HL or SL) are invited to apply for the 2025 event. Click <u>here</u> for more information and registration details. Applications close on 31 October.

#### **Rural Access Scheme**

If you've lived in a rural or remote area of Australia, our Rural Access Scheme may help boost your selection rank for entry into many of our programs. Through the scheme you can receive 2 adjustments to help boost your selection rank for entry into undergraduate programs, however you must still meet all entry requirements for each program you apply for. Click <u>here</u> to find out more including eligibility and how to apply.

#### **Tertiary Preparation Program**

UQ's Tertiary Preparation Program is designed for students who are 18 years or older or have completed Year 12 but who have not achieved their desired ATAR. With small class sizes, you will receive a high level of personal attention, helping you develop the confidence and study structure for academic success. Successful completion of this course will see you able to hit the ground running when you progress to your undergraduate degree.

#### **Torrens University Australia**

#### A different way of studying

Torrens University Australia offers over 300 courses designed to get you job ready. They have courses in fthe following areas offered by world class providers:

- Design
- Health
- Business
- Hospitality
- Technology
- Education

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Click here to download their Course Guide.

#### **University of the Sunshine Coast**

#### Headstart applications are now open

Want to try out university while still in high school? UniSC's Headstart program gives you the oppportunity to study a University course/subject while you are still at school. Headstart lets you test-drive your dream subject (for free!), earn credit for your future degree and develop your academic skills. You'll be ready to hit the ground running for your university adventure. Click <u>here</u> for more information with applications for Semester 1 2025 closing on 31 October. You will find information on:

- Available courses
- Choosing a course
- How to apply
- Headstart key dates
- What to expect
- Eligibility

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## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
15/10/2024	ADF: Loganlea A Night in the Army Reserve
15/10/2024	ADF: Toowoomba Army Reserve Information Session
15/10/2024	ADF: Townsville Army Reserve Information Session
16/10/2024	ADF: Brisbane Gap Year Information Session
16/10/2024	QTAC Early Offer Scheme QTAC application submitted
16/10/2024	QUT Year 12 Early Offer Scheme last day to apply through QTAC
18/10/2024	Griffith Uni's Early Offer second round offers
18/10/2024	Mathematics Summer School applications close
19/10/2024	ADF: Woodford Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)
21/10/2024	Griffith Uni's Head Start program Trimester 3 2024 closes
21/10/2024	Griffith University Trimester 3 Head Start program applications close
22/10/2024	ADF:Maroochydore Army Reserve Information Session
22/10/2024	UQ Sporting Scholarships webinar
25/10/2024	National Awards for Disability Leadership nominations close
29/10/2024	ADF: Brisbane Defence Careers Information Session
29/10/2024	ADF: Cairns Army Reserve Information Session
29/10/2024	ADF: Toowoomba Gap Year Information Session
30/10/2024	ADF: Maroochydore Gap Year Information Session
30/10/2024	ADF: Townsville Gap Year Information Session
31/10/2024	2024 Real Futures Grant applications close
31/10/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Gap Year Information Session
31/10/2024	ADF: Indigenous Pathways Information Session
31/10/2024	Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust (AVCAT) Scholarships and Bursaries
31/10/2024	Griffith Uni's Final date to submit supporting documentation for the ATAR/IB
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	stream to make the 15 November offer round
31/10/2024	GU Early Offer documentation due in
31/10/2024	Queensland Mathematics Summer School
31/10/2024	QUT Early Offer supporting documentation closing date
31/10/2024	QUT Sem 1 START QUT applications close
31/10/2024	Real Futures Grant applications close
31/10/2024	START QUT applications for Summer and Semester 1 2025 close
31/10/2024	Start QUT STEM Intensive 2025 applications close
31/10/2024	UniSC Headstart Sem 1 2025 applications close
31/10/2024	UQ Sports Achievement Scholarships
31/10/2024	UQ's Queensland Mathematics Summer School applications close
04/11/2024	ADF: Engineering Careers Information Session
04/11/2024	ADF: Maroochydore Submariner Careers Information Session
04/11/2024	AFTRS Constellation Creatives Scholarship applications close
04/11/2024	Australian Film Television and Radio School (AFTRS) 2025 scholarships
04/11/2024	UniSQ Headstart summer semester applications close
05/11/2024	ADF: Cairns Defence Careers Information Session
05/11/2024	ADF: Mackay A Night in the Army Reserve
05/11/2024	ADF: Toowoomba Defence Careers Information Session
05/11/2024	ADF: Townsville School to Service Information Session
06/11/2024	ADF: Gold Coast Submariner Careers Information Session
07/11/2024	ADF: Redcliffe Defence Careers Information Session
08/11/2024	QUT Early Offer confirmation emails sent out
11/11/2024	Griffith Uni's last date to change your preference to preferred degree for the 15 November offer round
11/11/2024	GU Early Offer last day to change preferences
11/11/2024	SAE's Creative First Nations Scholarship application closes
11/11/2024	UQ College Bridging Program - Mathematical Methods, Biology, Chemistry, Physics applications close
12/11/2024	QUT Early Offer final date for reordering QTAC preferences
15/11/2024	Griffith Uni's Early Offer third offer round
15/11/2024	QUT Early Offers released via QTAC

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17/11/2024	Enhanced Studies Program (ESP) close
18/11/2024	CAS Hawker Scholarship applications open
18/11/2024	UQ College Bridging Program - Mathematical Methods, Biology, Chemistry, Physics Classes commence
19/11/2024	The many ingredients of employability: The Employability Capital Growth Model
20/11/2024	Flickerfest Australian Youth and School Competition 2025 close
20/11/2024	SAE FlickerUp youth short film competition entry closes
25/11/2024	UQ's late audition application closes for Bachelor of Music (Honours)
30/11/2024	UniSC scholarships for 2025 applications close
30/11/2024	University of the Sunshine Coast scholarships applications close

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