

## CAREER INFORMATION BULLETIN

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## Announcements

### Something to think about

**“Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity.” – Seneca**

### **Year 10 - Don't know what you want to do or what subjects to choose for senior studies?**

Are you struggling when thinking about what you want to do when you first leave school or don't have answers for all those questions about subjects, jobs, life after school? Options Talking Careers will help. It's a series of videos and short activities that will help you find out about yourself, life, your values, strengths and interests. It comes with a career interest test that will get your research started. Click [here](#) to find out more.

# Apprenticeships & Traineeships



## Australian Apprenticeship Readiness Quiz

Australian Apprenticeship Readiness Quiz, found on the Australian Apprenticeships website, shows some of the key learning standards required to start an Australian Apprenticeship. The quiz is 10 questions long and should take approximately 10 minutes to complete. You should use a calculator to assist you. Click [here](#) to start the quiz.

## Changes to Australian Apprenticeships from 1 July

From 1 July 2024, the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations is engaging Australian Apprenticeship Service Delivery Providers (Providers) to deliver focused help that better supports apprentices and their employers from before the apprenticeship starts to its successful end. Providers will work with apprentices and employers from before an apprenticeship starts to identify individual needs, help apprentices to find the right pathway and support employers to better understand their roles and responsibilities in the workplace. Providers will also provide support throughout the apprenticeship. Click [here](#) to read more about:

- [What is changing from 1 July 2024?](#)
- [What do I need to do?](#)
- [Do you have a question?](#)

## In Year 12 - it's time to start looking for that job after school

It is sometimes challenging to work out where to start looking for an actual apprenticeship or traineeship. The Queensland Government's *Find an apprenticeship or traineeship* [website](#) is a good place to start. While it won't find you an employer to hire you, it will give you some ideas for looking for a potential employer including:

- Visit specific apprenticeship/traineeship job boards
- Use job search and government vacancies websites by entering a job title with 'apprentice' or 'trainee' and your chosen industry to narrow down results
- Talk with training organisations, local TAFEs and Australian Apprenticeship Support Network providers

Click on the link above which will take you to valuable links and valuable information.

## MEGT online Job Board

MEGT provide employment and training options for school students and school leavers. They have an [online Job Board](#) listing school-based apprentice and trainee opportunities. Check it out and see your Career Counsellor/Guidance Officer/VET coordinator if you have any questions.

## Videos about getting a trade or skill

Finding it hard to find information about jobs and skills? At *skills1netv*, you will find great feature videos, most popular videos and videos highlighting a particular skill set. Other videos focus on the skills required in fourteen different industry areas. They are full of valuable information and can give you some excellent ideas. Click [here](#) to see what's on offer.



## ADF information sessions

Attend an in person and/or virtual [Australian Defence Force information session](#) and find out:

- if the Defence Force is a good fit for you
- if they have a job that you are interested in doing
- how to enlist

Below are upcoming information sessions. For details about these events and information on the Army Reserve Information Sessions, visit the Defence Jobs Australia Facebook [website](#).

- 11/06/2024    [Cairns: Army Reserve Information Session](#)  
                  [Maroochydore: Army Reserve Information Session](#)  
                  [Brisbane: Engineering Careers Information Session](#)
- 13/06/2024    [Capalaba: Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 18/06/2023    [Brisbane: Health Careers Information Session](#)  
                  [Townsville: Defence Careers Information Session](#)  
                  [Gold Coast: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
- 19/06/2024    [Toowoomba: Defence Careers Information Session](#)  
                  [Brisbane: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
- 25/06/2024    [Maroochydore: Defence Careers Information Session](#)  
                  [Brisbane: Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 27/06/2024    [Cairns: Defence Careers Information Session](#)

## How do I apply for the Defence Force?

The ADF recruitment process is designed to ensure you have the qualities needed, while helping you identify the ideal role in the Navy, Army or Air Force. Visit the [Defence Recruitment website](#) to find out if you are eligible to join and to access the six steps in the recruitment process. Each step has a video that explains what happens during the step. The six steps are:

1. Apply online
2. Complete a Job Opportunities Assessment
3. Attend your YOU Session (Your Opportunities Unlimited Session)
4. Attend assessment and Officer Selection (if you are wanting this pathway)
5. Take a Fitness Test
6. Attend Enlistment and Appointment day

On the site you will also find information videos that will answer many of your questions, along with information on:

- Do I need written references of just listed references on my application?
- When do ADFA applications close?
- What happens after I submit my application?
- Is the application process the same for Officer entry and General entry?
- My application is due soon, but I don't have all the required paperwork. What should I do?



## Career Exploration

### A Musician and Medical student combined!

Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority is highlighting some of the career pathways that past Year 12 students have taken. Click [here](#) to watch musician and medical student, Hainian Yu's video as he tells his stories, provides some advice and talks about how he blends his interests with career dreams.

### Course Seeker

[Course Seeker](#) is an Australian Government website where you can explore your higher education study options. You can find information on short courses, course information, entry requirements, admission processes, student satisfaction and graduate survey results for all undergraduate courses offered by Australian higher education institutions. It will help you to make informed decisions about your future study options.

### Find out about over 350 careers

SkillsRoad.com.au has put together information on over 350 jobs. Information they have included covers:

- Weekly pay
- Prospects
- Employed in Australia
- Growth
- Work cluster most suited to
- Tasks
- Training and qualifications
- Related careers

Click [here](#) to check them out!

### Myfuture can work for you

The school holidays are a great time to do some quality career research. [Myfuture](#) has some great tools to help you explore the many options available to you including (you will need to register for free to access some of the information below):



- [My career profile](#) - Complete activities to identify interests, values, skills and view suggested occupations to explore career pathway options
- [Occupations](#) - Explore over 350 occupations describing tasks, skill levels and current labour market information
- [Industries](#) - Access important information (including employment prospects) for each industry
- [Career articles](#) - Discover practical information to support your career exploration
- [Courses](#) - Identify appropriate course/s by viewing current higher education and vocational education and training (VET) courses
- [Career bullseyes](#) - Find out what career pathways are related to your favourite school subject/s
- [Career stories](#) - Learn tips and tricks by reading real-life career stories about personal experiences
- [Job seeker resources](#) - Find resume and cover letter templates and other resources to help you find and get a job
- [User guide videos](#) - View short videos that demonstrate key sections of the website to learn how to get the most out of myfuture

## What are your character strengths?

[VIA Institute on Character](#) says that character strengths are the positive parts of your personality making you feel authentic and engaged. They say we all possess all 24 character strengths in different degrees, giving us a unique character strengths profile. Understanding and applying your strengths can help:

- Boost Confidence
- Increase Happiness
- Strengthen Relationships
- Manage Problems
- Reduce Stress
- Accomplish Goals
- Build Meaning and Purpose
- Improve Work Performance

Discover your strengths to build your best life and to help you investigate your career options for the future. Click [here](#) to take a free VIA Institute Character Strengths test. Always remember that a 'test/quiz' result is a point in time result. It is wise to undertake these tests/quizzes periodically, comparing your results as you grow and learn more about yourself.

## What can I do with a degree in...?

Are you unsure about the types of careers you can get after finishing a specific degree? Or are you looking for some general career inspiration? UQ's article, *What can I do with a degree in ...?* delves into a wide range of careers, covering multiple study areas. Find out more [here](#) and you will have more information on which to make a well thought through decision. This Bulletin is highlighting jobs in Agriculture and animal science:

- [Careers in veterinary technology](#): A career as a vet tech can take you many places including veterinary practices, biosecurity, government agencies, research institutions and the livestock sector.
- [Animal science careers](#): Work with domestic and wild animals to monitor species population, preserve natural habitats and enhance agricultural production.



- [Career opportunities in agricultural science](#): Help farmers produce healthy crops, discover new ways to boost food production sustainably, and analyse plant and soil samples to troubleshoot problems. Carve a career out of your interests by studying agricultural science.

## What is a Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualification?

The National Careers Institute says that a vocational education and training (VET) qualification is a formal certification awarded by a training provider in recognition of the successful completion of an occupational or work-related knowledge and skills-based educational program. There are eight types of [VET qualifications](#):

- Certificate I, II, III and IV
- Diploma
- Advanced Diploma
- Graduate Certificate
- Graduate Diploma.

All VET qualifications must be listed on the National Register, [training.gov.au](http://training.gov.au). Visit the Australian Qualifications Framework [website](#) for more information regarding VET qualifications.

## What types of institutions can I study at?

There's a lot to think about when you decide on tertiary study, such as which course interests you and which study mode will best fit your lifestyle, just to name a couple. Most important, is choosing the type of education provider. Each institution is unique and you can be certain that each will deliver your chosen course in a different way and with a distinctive flavour. Click [here](#) to find out more, including the types of tertiary institutions and how to choose an institution and campus.



## Bright Awards

Courtesy of Billy Blue College of Design at Torrens University Australia, the Bright Awards are a celebration of creative Year 10, 11 and 12 students. They recognise up-and-coming designers and support the future of the arts. Whether you're just tapping into your talent or keen to show off your well-developed skills, Billy Blue College of Design's Bright Awards give you the chance to have your work recognised. There are monetary prizes for both students and schools. Applications are now open and close on 19 August 2024. Click [here](#) to read more about the competition, categories, prizes and application details.

# Employment, Job and Labour Market Info



## Australian Jobs 2023

Australian Jobs 2023 has information to assist you in your job research. Produced by the National Careers Institute and Jobs and Skills Australia, it is an easy-to-read overview of the Australian labour market and a valuable resource. In Australian Jobs 2023 you will find information on:

- Industries
- Occupations
- Local labour markets
- Skills employers need
- Educational pathways.

It also highlights occupations and industries leading the way to a clean energy future in Australia and the opportunities in this growth sector. Click [here](#) to download Australian Jobs 2023.

## Do you have what employers are looking for?

[JobJumpstart reports](#) that the Australian Government surveyed more than 3000 Australian employers to find out what advice they would give to young people looking for a job. Employers said they look for:

- a positive attitude
- motivation and enthusiasm
- someone who is prepared to learn and take direction.

They also said that applicants need to:

- be punctual and dependable
- be respectful to colleagues and customers
- show a commitment to staying in the job for an acceptable period of time.

Employers also mentioned that some young people have unrealistic expectations of work, including:

- being unprepared for the demands of the workplace
- the level of pay they would receive
- wanting to start at the top instead of working their way up.

Give yourself a rating so you can keep up the good work and/or work on the areas where you can improve and be job ready!

## Getting value from work experience

Lack of workplace experience can be a big barrier for you getting a job. You can build your workplace experience through paid work, work experience or volunteer work. Good quality work experience can help you:

- learn about the world of work and understand the day-to-day realities of working in a particular job
- understand what employers look for in workers
- challenge your ideas about careers in particular roles
- work out whether you are suited to a particular job
- build and demonstrate your technical and employability skills and
- increase your professional networks, including finding possible referees for future job applications

Click [here](#) to read Job Jumpstart's top tips for getting the most out of work experience.

## Impress employers with your online profile

When you are applying for a job, employers will check your online profile to:

- confirm that what you've said about yourself in your application fits what you show online
- understand your interests, abilities and attitude to life
- find out if you have an existing network of professional contacts.

Using social media in a positive and constructive way can actually help you get a job. Your passion for a good cause, your love of music or your entertaining blog all say something about you and what you have to offer. Click [here](#) to check out Job Jumpstart's article on managing your online profile including how to protect your online profile and tools that can help you do so.

## Life as an Urban Planner

Ever wondered what an Urban Planner is and does? Danny Brown is an urban planner and registered professional planner and works for the City of Toronto's Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division as a Project Officer in Park Design. Although a Canadian interview, this podcase gives a good description of what an Urban Planner is and does. There is a shortage of Town and Urban Planners in Australia. Click [here](#) to listen to the podcast to see if it is of interest to you.

## Specific occupation information - real estate and racing industries

Great career decisions are made when you do your research! The following links provide valuable information:

Real Estate

- [Real Estate Institute of Queensland](#)

## Racing Industry

- [Racing Jobs](#)

## The green transition requires an upskilled workforce

There is no doubt that steps to move towards new sources of energy and a move away from fossil fuels, combined with advances in AI that will impact all our daily lives, will be the next major transformations shaping the future of work. This convergence of huge shifts creates greater urgency to reskill and upskill people for growth jobs and to help people overcome fear and polarization as they struggle to see where their skills fit in a world that will undoubtedly become greener and more digital.

The World Economic Forum reports that from previous workforce transformations, new jobs will be created as transformation gains pace. Yet, we also know that ensuring people can see where their skills fit will be critical to bridging the skills gap that is already emerging. Click [here](#) to read their article in full especially if you are looking for a career direction with massive growth.

## What workers want from their job

The annual survey of more than 14,700 respondents looking to change jobs in the next two years reveals work-life balance remains the top priority for job hunters (15.4 per cent importance score), followed closely by salary compensation (13.9 per cent). Working environment (11.5), management and management quality (10.1) and career and development (9.4) rounded out the top five overall drivers of workplace attraction. Click [here](#) to read more including:

- Boomers and Gen Zs collide in the job market
- Work-life balance is key
- Flexibility can be flexible
- A full package deal
- Gender equality is not negotiable

## What's happening in your region

The Australian Government's Labour Market Insights website provides labour market information by regions, industries and occupations. Click [here](#) to find employment regions, updates and information including regional:

- Overview
  - Summary
  - Snapshot
  - Unemployment, participation and employment rate
- Labour Market
  - Labour force status
  - Population by labour force status April 2023

- Industries
  - Share of total employment by industry
  - Employment growth by industry
  - Full-time and part-time employment by industry
  - Gender by industry
- Occupations
  - Share of total employment by occupation group
  - Gender by occupation group

## What's the difference between a Registered Nurse, an Enrolled Nurse and a Midwife?

**Registered nurses (RN)** assess, plan, provide and evaluate preventative, curative and rehabilitative care for patients and supervise other nursing staff. They work in a wide variety of settings such as hospitals, aged care and other health care facilities and private medical practices. To become a RN, you need to complete a three-year Bachelor of Nursing at a university or other accredited institute of higher education. RNs are required to be registered with the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency: Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia](#). You can obtain more information about this occupation from the [myfuture website](#) (you will need to Log in or Sign up to enter this free site) and the [Good Universities Guide website](#) (this site has a list of nursing specialisations).

**Enrolled Nurses (EN)** under the direction and supervision of Registered Nurses, assist with the provision of acute, preventative, curative, rehabilitative and the day-to-day personal nursing care of patients. They work in hospitals, aged-care facilities, the community and other healthcare settings. To become an EN in Australia, the minimum level of study is the Diploma of Nursing (18 months – 2 years), delivered through TAFE or an accredited private Registered Training Organisation. After graduation, ENs apply for registration with the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency: Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia](#) to practice as an Enrolled nurse. You can obtain more information about this occupation from the [myfuture website](#) (you will need to log in or Sign up to enter this free site) and the [Good Universities Guide website](#).

**Midwives** provide care and advice to women during pregnancy, labour and childbirth and postnatal care for women and babies in a range of settings such as the home, community, hospitals, clinics and health units. They are also known as a Certified Midwife or Registered Midwife and can specialise as a Community Midwife and/or Midwife Practitioner. A bachelor degree in midwifery is needed to work as a Midwife. Some Midwives complete postgraduate studies. Midwives are required to be registered with the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency: Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia](#). You can obtain more information about this occupation from the [Labour Market Insights](#) and the [Good Universities Guide website](#).

## Work in Rail Website

The Australasian Railway Association (ARA) recently launched the new [Work in Rail website](#) to promote rail careers and provide practical information on pathways for people looking for a job in the industry. It includes a range of tools to help school leavers, tertiary students and people in other industries to find their career in rail. Check it out!

## Financial Assistance & Scholarships



### Scholarships for agricultural courses

[Marcus Oldham College](#) is a private tertiary institution in Geelong, Victoria. It offers FEE-HELP for approved degree courses and diploma courses in agriculture, agribusiness and equine studies. The College is offering scholarships for students commencing their studies in 2025. Visit the College [website](#) for more information about their scholarships, closing dates (July and September) and how to apply.

### UQ - What you can do if you can't afford uni!

Interested in higher education but worried about the costs? Don't dismiss university as a pipedream. There are a range of [scholarship opportunities](#), financial assistance schemes, bursaries and grants available for future and current students who think they can't afford university. If you're worried about the cos, it's worth investigating which scholarships you might be eligible for. Click [here](#) to read about the many scholarships offered at UQ that will assist you in planning for life after school.

### UniSQ Scholarships

If you are thinking of applying to UniSQ, explore what scholarships are available and those coming soon. You can apply for more than one scholarship at a time, so be sure to apply for all that you're eligible for. Click [here](#) (click scholarship search) for answers to some of the following frequently asked questions:

- How do I get a scholarship?
- What is an Australian Commonwealth Government Research Training Program *Scholarship*?
- What documents should I attach to my scholarship application to show financial hardship?
- For scholarship applications, what category of student am I (New, Commencing or Continuing?)
- Is my scholarship considered income by the Australian Government?



# First Nations Peoples



## Defence Indigenous University Support Program

There's a wide range of [First Nations Peoples Australian Defence Force \(ADF\) jobs](#) on offer and tailored programs designed to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to start their ADF careers with confidence. There are several First Nations Peoples pathways into the ADF including:

- [Indigenous Pre-Recruit Program \(IPRP\)](#)
- [Navy Indigenous Development Program \(NIDP\)](#)
- [Army Indigenous Development Program \(AIDP\)](#)
- [Air Force Indigenous Options](#)

## First Nations Peoples university entry schemes

These schemes provide alternative entry pathways for applicants from First Nations Peoples backgrounds. Specific information about these schemes can be obtained from the following links.

- [Australian Catholic University's Special Entry Scheme](#)
- [CQUniversity's Tertiary Entry Program](#)
- [Griffith University's Gumurrii](#)
- [James Cook University's Pathways](#)
- [Queensland University of Technology's Oodgeroo Unit](#)
- [Southern Cross University's Alternative Entry Scheme](#)
- [The University of Queensland's Alternative Entry Scheme for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People](#)
- [University of New England Internal Selection Program](#)
- [University of Southern Queensland's Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program](#)
- [University of the Sunshine Coast's Indigenous Direct Entry](#)

Note that when applying for courses through QTAC, you need to identify as a First Nations Peoples person as part of your application. You may have to provide the university with a [Confirmation of Aboriginality](#). To obtain this might take time, so organise it early.

## QUT Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships

The Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships are for Indigenous students from low-income backgrounds and Indigenous students who face significant financial barriers to studying at university. These scholarships include:

- an Indigenous Bursary (IB) of \$1,500 for one semester only, to assist Indigenous students from low-income backgrounds to undertake study at QUT
- an Indigenous Relocation Scholarship (IRS) of \$5,000 for one year only, to assist Indigenous students who have relocated from a rural or remote area to study at QUT
- an Indigenous Costs Scholarship (ICS) of \$3,500 for one year only, to assist Indigenous students meet the cost of living and studying while at QUT.

These scholarships are subject to federal government funding. Click [here](#) to read more about:

- Eligibility
- Available scholarships
- How to apply
- Conditions
- About the scholarship

# Gap Year Program News



## Selected gap year program news

Gap year options for 2025 are now being advertised. Research is the key to making a safe and successful decision.

- [Camp America](#) Applications for 2025 are now open. They have several online information sessions coming up:
  - 11 June 2024 – [Camp America Online Info Session](#)
  - 09 July 2024 – [Winter Work Webinar](#)
  - 16 July 2024 – [Camp America Online Info Session](#)
  - 17 July 2024 – [Au Pair in America Free webinar](#)
- [Southern Cross Cultural Exchange](#) for high school students to go to school overseas
  - 18 June 2024 – [SCCE Information webinar](#)
  - 03 July 2024 – [SCCE Information webinar](#)
- [World Education Program Student Exchange](#) provides overseas placements for high school students. Check out their website for more information including:
  - Student exchange and study abroad
  - Countries
  - Host an exchange student
  - WEP for teachers
  - Discounts and Scholarships
  - About WEP Australia

## Some questions to ask if you are thinking about a gap year

At the end of school you may be wondering if going straight to uni or other tertiary study is right for you. A gap year could mean working, volunteering, doing a program with the Australian Defence Force or travelling. Despite what some assume, it is not a year of doing nothing or slacking off. Nor is it an indication you won't return to further study. Click [here](#) to read some things to consider if you are thinking about a gap year including:

- Gap years in Australia
- It can be a form of self-care
- How to set up a gap year
- A note for parents

## Holiday Programs & Short Courses



### **BOP Industries and Robotics Playground workshops**

*Ideate* hold several school holidays' events for primary and high school students. The workshops cover a variety of creative experiences across Brisbane and regions. For more information about upcoming events in the mid year holiday break and to book, visit the [events page](#).

### **QUT Sport School Holiday Program**

QUT Sport will be running School Holiday Program based here at the Garden Point campus. The program will run across 3 days – 19, 20, 21 Sept 2022, in the first week of the school holidays from 8:30am - 4pm. You can opt for 1, 2 or all 3 day program. Across the 3 days, children will be swimming in the heated YMCA pool, spend time in QUT's Esports arena and engaging in a range of team sports set up on campus including:

- Rocket League at our Esports Arena
- Basketball
- Table Tennis
- Badminton
- Indoor/outdoor games
- YMCA pool

Click [here](#) for more information and to register to attend.

### **Queensland Museum Holiday activities for all ages**

Click [here](#) to check out the following school holiday activities:

- *Stone Fish Traps of the Wellesley Islands*
- *Jurassic World by Brickman®* final school holiday showings!
- Family-friendly favourite: A Night at the Museum
- Help us save Queensland's Stories
- Nature-inspired art workshops
- Buzzing farewell: Final weeks to visit Insect Agency
- Explosive school holiday fun!
- Recognising Queensland's outstanding women in STEM

## **Use the school holidays wisely - Work experience and/or exploration may be a good option**

An important strategy in career exploration is experiencing the job you are interested in. This can be undertaken in many ways:

- Work observation – spending a day or more with someone already in the job at their workplace
- Career interview – developing a list of questions and interviewing someone already in a job you are investigating
- Work experience – spending some time (a week if possible) in the job
- Investigating courses by visiting institutions and talking to them about their courses
- Getting a part-time job or volunteering in a job you are interested in
- Doing a course or workshop that relates to the type of work you want to do.

The school holidays are a perfect time to do some of these activities. If you need help organising an activity, speak to your school Guidance Officer/Counsellor/VET Coordinator for some assistance.

## Interstate and International



### Applying for courses interstate

If you wish to apply to a university outside Queensland, you need to apply to the relevant Tertiary Admission's Centre (TAC). Find course information on the TAC websites below. You can have multiple applications running at the same time through different TACs but you need to be sure that you understand and follow the application process as it can vary from TAC to TAC. In the case of high demand courses such as medicine, veterinary science and dentistry, students often apply nationally. The different tertiary admissions' centres are:

- [UAC](#) New South Wales and ACT
- [VTAC](#) Victoria
- [SATAC](#) South Australia and Northern Territory
- [TISC](#) Western Australia
- [UTAS](#) Tasmania (you apply directly to the University)

### UMelb: My Melbourne newsletter

Stay informed about key dates, University life, relevant course updates, events, information sessions, and more. Whether you're in your final year of study, just thinking about uni for the first time or a parent, we'll send you the right information at the right time. Click [here](#) to find out more and to subscribe for regular updates.

### University profile - Tasmania Uni

Study for a sustainable future and learn from the experts in your field at the world's #1 university for climate action. Fuel your curiosity, build your career, or indulge a passion. Or all three at once! With scholarships available to help you study, or relocate, check out their campuses at in Hobart, Launceston, Sydney and Cradle Coast. They offer courses in:

- Business and Law
- Creative Arts and Design
- Earth, Sea, Antarctic and Environment
- Education, Humanities and Social Sciences
- Health and Medicine
- Science, Technology and Engineering

Click [here](#) to find out more about what the university has to offer ... it may just be a good fit for you!

## **Want to study in Hong Kong?**

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) offers undergraduate degrees in the fields of science, engineering, business and management, information technology, humanities and social science. Courses are conducted in English. See the HKUST [website](#) for information about international undergraduate admission.



## Open Days, Expos & Career Markets



### 2024 TSXPO (Tertiary Studies Expo) reminder

The annual Brisbane [Tertiary Studies Expo \(TSXPO\)](#), Australia's largest tertiary studies expo, offers a unique opportunity for anyone interested in starting, changing or upgrading their career. It will be held at the Royal International Convention Centre, Brisbane Showgrounds on Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 July 2024 from 10am to 4pm on both days. Featuring many local, interstate and overseas education providers, students' services and support agencies. Don't miss this great opportunity to continue to map out your future, all in the one location!

### Career Expos and Career Markets in July

- 9 July [Toowoomba Careers Expo](#)
- 13 & 14 July [Tertiary Studies Expo \(TSXPO\)](#)
- 16 July [Sunshine Coast Careers Expo](#)  
[IGNITE Logan Careers Expo](#)
- 21 July [University of Sunshine Coast - Moreton Bay Open Day](#)  
[Marcus Oldham Open Day](#)
- 25 July [South Burnett Careers Market \(Kingaroy\)](#)
- 27 July [Bond University Open Day](#)
- 28 July [QUT Open Day](#)
- 29 July [Townsville Careers Expo](#)
- 30 July [Proserpine Careers Expo](#)

### JCU Open Days

Check out JCU's Open Day being held on 13 July at their JCU Townsville, Bebegu Yumba campus, Douglas and on 27 July at their JCU Cairns, Nguma-bada campus Smithfield. You will be able to experience life on-campus, discover the hands-on study opportunities, research labs and lecture theatres. You will meet your

future lecturers and explore what life as a JCU student is like. Also, chat with JCU Advisors about moving from high school to university, career change or study pathways that suit you. Click [here](#) for more information and to register for updates.

## **QUT Open Day**

QUT will be holding their Open Day on 28 July from 9am - 3pm. You will be able to explore their facilities at Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove and see for yourself what makes QUT the university for the real world. Find out more on their [website](#) and watch a highlights video showcasing their 2023 Open Day know more about what to expect.

## **UniSC Open Days**

University of Sunshine Coast will be hosting their Open Days at their Moreton Bay campus on 21 July 2024 and at their Sunshine Coast campus on 4 August 2024. You will be able to find out about:

- degrees you're interested in studying
- details about course fees and financial support available to help you study
- get a taste of what student life is like at USC
- experience the interactive teaching facilities and technology at USC

Click [here](#) to register your interest, to get updates and view a video from their 2023 Open Day.



## Private Provider Updates

### Ask a Griffith College student

You can connect with Griffith College students to get answers to all your questions about life at Griffith College and study in Queensland. Get a student's perspective on everything from applying and which program to study, to advice for moving into second year of study at university. Click [here](#) to connect with one of their students. It is always important to check out the information directly with Griffith College staff.

### Ethos: An Exhibition at SAE for ISEA ( International Symposium on Electronic Art)

SAE University College and ISEA are holding an exhibition on 25 June from 5 - 9pm, where you will:

- Experience portals of escape, reflection, and transformation through a diverse range of electronic art and creative media.
- Meet some of the internationally-renowned artists whose work will be on display at SAE and chat to them about their creative journey.
- See SAE Brisbane transform into a multifaceted media arts gallery.

It will be held at SAE Brisbane, Corner Jane Street and Riverside Drive, West End. Click [here](#) for more information and to register to attend.



## QTAC & Tertiary Entry

### Term 3 - an important time for Year 12 students

Term 3 is very important and busy for Year 12 students. If you haven't already decided what you are going to do in 2025, this is the time to access information about your options. The following is a selection of events and activities that will assist you with your decision-making.

**QTAC Guide** – You will receive your QTAC Guide early in Term 3 or you can access/download it off the QTAC website. It contains information about the application process and the courses you can apply for in 2025. *Don't lose this book as you may need it after you leave school to change course preferences on your QTAC application when Year 12 results are released and during QTAC offer rounds.* You need to regularly check the QTAC website to ensure the information is up to date as information can change throughout the year.

**Institution open days** - Most of the University open days occur in Term 3. Open days provide an opportunity to learn more about the institutions and courses you are interested in. Attend the Open Days and be prepared with questions for the representatives. See Open day dates on the QTAC [website](#) and in the *Open Day and Career Expos* section of the fortnightly Bulletins.

**QTAC applications open** - QTAC applications for Semester 1 2025 courses open on 1 August. Closing dates for some courses and some scholarship applications can vary so read your QTAC book carefully. You can find information about the application process and offer process in the guide and on the [QTAC website](#).

**ATAR application portal** - You need to apply to QTAC to get your ATAR calculated by them. The ATAR portal opens on 1 August. You will need your LUI number (Learning Unique Identifier)

**Scholarships** - Most university scholarship applications open in Term 3 and close in October, November or December. An exception is Bond University, which has its scholarship applications open now and each scholarship can have a different closing date. It is best to check the closing date on the Bond [website](#) under each scholarship entry. Every university has a scholarship section on its website. Find out the application process and due date early, to avoid missing out on a scholarship. If in doubt about your chances, apply anyway.

### Year 12 post school information management

If you are in Year 12 you should start a folder of information you will need later in the year and early next year. Keep it in your room and add to it during the year. Items that could be placed in this folder include:

- Learning Unique Identifier (LUI) number and password for your Learning Account so you can access your Year 12 results early. You will also be required to know your LUI to complete your QTAC application.
- Tax File Number (TFN), which you will need when applying for a HELP loan next year. You also need a TFN if you want to be paid for a full-time or part-time job.
- Unique Student Identifier (USI) A USI is your individual education number for life. Without one, you can't get Commonwealth financial assistance or your qualification or statement of attainment.
- The *QTAC Guide*, which you will receive in June or can access online at QTAC [website](#).
- Course, job and tertiary entry information you gather at career markets/expos, institution open days, TSXPO, etc.
- The list of courses you are considering (if you haven't a clue, make an appointment to see your Guidance Counsellor/Officer ASAP!!).
- If thinking about Uni, a list of Pathway and Early Offer schemes for the university/ies you are interested in studying at
- Handouts on tertiary entry you are given at Year 12 assemblies, expos and lunchtime talks.
- Information about available scholarships and tips for submitting a great application.
- Additional qualifications you might wish to submit as part of your QTAC application and/or portfolio particularly if applying for EAS
- Any other information related to your plans for 2024.

# Study Skills and Wellbeing



## Exam stress and top tips to de-stress

The following tips are adapted from an article from the University of Queensland's Health Hub. It is difficult to avoid the worry of exams, looming deadlines and challenging expectations (our own and other's). Everybody deals with stress differently, so it is important to recognise your own signs and take control before they control you. The following behaviours can be signs of stress.

- Irregular sleep patterns
- Short temper and irritability
- That gut feeling (butterflies)
- Finding it difficult to relax or unwind
- Overreacting to situations
- Comfort food snacking or loss of appetite

If you are experiencing one, many, or all of these signs, you need to do something about it to help you handle the demands you face. Click [here](#) to read more about the following tips:

- Set the tone for your day
- Create a schedule
- Divide your day up
- Take a break
- Turn your phone off in study period
- Eat for your brain
- Use your nerves, don't let them use you
- Shake it off
- Warn your loved ones
- Prioritise your study

If you continue to experience any of the above symptoms or do not feel well and happy in yourself, definitely ask for support from your Guidance Officer, School Counsellor, your family doctor, parents/guardians. Smart thinkers know when a little bit of help can really make the difference :)

## Something to think about

Learning is the first essential skill to achieve any change. Learn to ask more patient questions, not only of other people and situations, but also of yourself. Learn how to seek out, hunt down and dig deeper for even better answers. There are rarely right and wrong answers to life's bigger questions, there are only ideas and solutions that are more useful or helpful than the others.

## Why I make time for exercise and why you should too!

Zoe Harrison, a UQ student has written about the value of exercise. She says, “we can get so busy we don’t know which way is up. Attending lectures and classes, maintaining a social life and working while studying can be a difficult juggling act! With so much going on it’s easy to throw in the towel on making time for exercise”. She then talks about what motivates her to exercise including:

- It keeps my brain and mind healthy
- It keeps my body healthy
- It is a good way to relieve stress
- How to overcome common obstacles to exercising

Check out her article [here](#) as you may get some life changing ideas to stay fit, healthy, happy and successful.

## Why learn? Something to ponder ...

Learning is the first essential skill to achieve any change. Think about:

- Learning to ask more patient questions, not only of other people and situations, but also of yourself.
- Learning how to seek out, hunt down and dig deeper for even better answers. There are rarely right and wrong answers to life's bigger questions, there are only ideas and solutions that are more useful and helpful than others.
- Always seeking out more knowledge. (Unknown author)

Learning how to learn in all situations opens many doors that you have never thought of or imagined available to you.

## You're not alone

Balancing the demands of school studies and your home life can sometimes be a challenge, but it’s important to remember you’re not alone. The World Health Organisation notes that good mental health is when ‘a state of wellbeing in which the individual realises his or her own abilities, can cope with the normal stresses of life, can work productively and fruitfully, and is able to make a contribution to his or her community’. In the same way we can experience physical illness, we can also experience mental illness.

According to [Queensland Health](#), mental health can affect your thinking, emotional stability and social life. It can also impact your ability to work, study, carry out daily tasks and your relationships. Click [here](#) to read information provided by QCAA (Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority) on:

- Stress and mental health
- Exam stress
- Mental illnesses and disorders
- Useful websites
- Phone and online support services



## Environment and animal services

From caring for plants and animals to caring for the environment, TAFE Queensland's range of hands-on courses will help you grow your skills into a rewarding career. Check out the Environment and Animal services study areas including:

- [Animal studies](#)
- [Veterinary nursing](#)
- [Agriculture](#)

## Have you thought about the Certificate III in Dental Assisting?

Kick start your oral health care career with this entry-level course that will qualify you to work as a dental assistant. Want more details?

- Study locations: Greater Brisbane and Sunshine Coast
- Ways to study: On campus, online, Apprenticeships and traineeships, international
- Duration: 1 year
- What you'll pay: Concession - \$405 - \$2,610, Subsidised \$1,185 - \$3,390, Full Fee, \$4,840 - \$7,045

Click [here](#) to download a brochure containing more details and information on how to apply. There are many jobs in this area, so if you think it's something you are interested in you should be able to get a job!

## Short courses and micro-credentials

Try something new or build on your existing skills with a TAFE Queensland short course. Their short courses run from a few hours to six months in length. From hobby courses to professional development and skill sets to licences, there's an option to suit you. TAFE Queensland offer short courses that might be of interest.

Click [here](#) to find out more about:

- Micro-Credential Course Categories
- Queensland Future Skills Partnership (QFSP)
- Micro-credentials explained – FAQ's



## Which is the best university?

All Australian universities offer accredited courses that can lead to employment. Consequently, the better question is 'Which is the best university for me?' Consider the following when researching universities.

- Is the course offered at this university a pathway to the job I eventually want?
- Where is this university located? Can I realistically travel there? What are the transport options?
- Will the university help me gain work experience in my career area of interest while I do the course?
- How hard is it to get into this course at this university?
- Are the courses at this university full-fee or are they subsidised by the Commonwealth Government and eligible for HECS-HELP?
- If the courses are full-fee, is the institution accredited for FEE-HELP?
- Where do students of this course at this university go after they graduate?
- What support services are available at this university?
- What co-curricular activities (sport, clubs, etc.) are available at this university?
- What is the 'atmosphere' or working and social environment of the university like?
- Is it important to me to go to the same university as my friends?
- Does the university offer overseas study options?

These websites can help you with your research.

- [QILT](#) (Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching) can help you compare study experience and employment outcomes data from Australian higher education institutions to select the institution with all the qualities you want.
- [The Good Universities Guide](#) has a course and institution search function and information on careers and scholarships. It also has a rating section for all Australian universities.
- [Study Assist](#) provides information on Australian Government financial assistance for further study
- [Course Seeker](#) - Thousands of on-campus and online courses across Australia

Other sources of information are:

- Open days and career expos – access information from the Options Career Information bulletins and the [Open days and expos page](#) on the QTAC website. Term 3 is big for open days and check if they are being held live, virtually or both.
- University brochures – obtain these at open days, career expos and university websites
- University websites
- Current students at the university (you will have access to these students at open days).

## Australian Catholic University

### ACU Guarantee: Early offers and student pathways webinar

On 10 July (first week of Term 3) from 6 - 6.30pm, ACU will be hosting their ACU Guarantee, early offers and student pathways webinar. Find out about ACU's entry programs and pathways including ACU Guarantee. Learn key dates and how to apply. You'll also hear from current students about their journey to Uni and have the opportunity to ask your own questions. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

### Gain relevant work skills while you study

[ACU's work integrated learning \(WIL\)](#) programs give you essential job-ready skills and experiences as part of your degree. Whether its undertaking pro bono professional legal experience, gaining valuable on-the-job work placements or business internship programs, you will have the opportunity to gain valuable work skills and networks before you graduate. Through WIL activities you'll gain valuable experience and receive 10-20 credit points towards your degree.

### Guided campus tours

During the school holidays you can book in for a guided tour to explore ACU's Brisbane Campus. Guided tours typically last 30 to 60 minutes. Register for your preferred date and time [here](#) and registrations are essential.

### Undergraduate Course Guide 2025

ACU prides itself on their student's wellbeing and knows the support of a caring community will help you achieve your best. Check out their [undergraduate course guide](#) for 2024 for the various supports that you can tap into at ACU some of which include:

- Career area index
- Why choose ACU
- Our campuses
- Life at ACU
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student success
- Timetables, units and course maps
- Go global - Study in Rome
- Course information
- ACU online
- Pathways and applying to ACU
- Fees and scholarships
- Selection rank guide and course directory

## Bond University

### How to apply

Bond Uni have made the application process as smooth as possible, with no costs, no commitment and no obligation to accept your offer if you receive one. You can apply at any time using their free, secure online portal. Applying is a three step process:

1. Explore their study areas and choose the program you would like to apply for.
2. Read through their application tips and prepare your application, including any relevant documents like transcripts.
3. Access their online portal and apply direct at a time that suits you.

Click on the links below for more information about:

- [The application process](#)
- [Preparing your application](#)
- [Application tips](#)
- [Regional managers for assistance](#)

### Program finder

Deciding on a degree is a personal choice based on your interests and your future. Bond offers a range of undergraduate degrees and programs, diplomas and non-award programs. You can find out about what undergraduate, diplomas and pathways programs Bond offers on the Bond University [website](#).

## Central Queensland University

### Assistance schemes

Assistance Schemes allocate adjustment factors/tertiary rank points to eligible QTAC applicants. The adjustment factors are additional points that may be used in combination with your Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) or your Tertiary Rank, to increase your competitive Selection Rank. Adjustments do not change your ATAR but change your Selection Rank for a particular course or courses. CQU have 4 different types of adjustment factors:

- Equity adjustment: Adjustment available on the basis of characteristics associated with disadvantage.
- Regional Adjustment Factor Scheme: Adjustment available on the basis of the applicant's proximity to the institution offering the course.
- CM17 Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) - Subject Incentive Scheme
- CM17 Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine) - Rural Access Scheme
- Overall adjustments are capped at a maximum of 10 ATAR positions or 10 selection rank improvements from these schemes. Please note the total adjustments an applicant is eligible to

receive for [CM17 Bachelor of Medical Science \(Pathway to Medicine\)](#) is capped at 5 ATAR positions or 5 selection rank improvements for all eligible adjustment schemes.

Click [here](#) for more information regarding CQUni's assistance schemes.

## **Certificate, diploma and undergraduate courses available at CQU**

CQUniversity offers a wide range of certificate, diploma and undergraduate courses. Click [here](#) to find a list of degrees and TAFE courses they offer along with study timetables and information on how to apply.

## **Student Accommodation**

Student on-campus residences are available at CQUni Mackay and Rockhampton. Off-campus accommodation options are also available. If you need to move to attend university, organising suitable accommodation is key to a smooth transition from school/home to university/independent living. Click [here](#) for more information.

## **Griffith University**

### **Adjustment Factors - they may help**

Griffith University offers a range of [adjustment factors](#) on the basis of subjects, location, equity and sporting achievements.

- The Year 12 subject adjustment for current Year 12's, offers up to 6 adjustments (2.00 adjustments per subject/course) for a broad range of Senior subjects and up to 4 adjustments for university studies completed as part of the GUESTS program.
- The Gold Coast and Logan Campus Priority Access Scheme improves access to programs offered at Gold Coast and Logan campuses. Applicants who are new to tertiary study and live within the listed catchment areas are eligible for 2.00 adjustments.
- Nathan, Mt Gravatt and South Bank Community Engagement improves your competitiveness if you are new to tertiary study and a resident of the Brisbane, Logan, Ipswich or Redlands area, as you may be eligible for two (2.00) location adjustments when you apply for programs at the Nathan, Mt Gravatt or South Bank campuses.
- The Educational Access Scheme is for School Leavers who have experienced financial and/or educational disadvantage. Max of 8.00 adjustments.
- Elite Athlete Adjustment recognises the challenges and impacts that sporting commitments can have on the completion of their studies. You can apply for adjustment factors as part of your QTAC application, with up to 6.00 selection ranks able to be applied to your ATAR/selection rank.
- Incremental Adjustments for the Bachelor of Medical Science

Please Note:

- Maximum adjustments that you can receive under all schemes is capped at 8.00.
- You do not need to apply separately – this is part of the QTAC application.
- Some exclusions apply – refer to website for further details as each scheme outlines the degrees that are excluded from the program.

## **Griffith Film School Portfolio Application Webinar**

Admission to the Bachelor of Animation and the Bachelor of Film and Screen Media Production is via portfolio and interview. There are two admission pathways to the Bachelor of Games Design: portfolio or ATAR/rank. For more information join Griffith Uni's webinar on 16 July between 5 and 5pm and find out more about the portfolio requirements, tips for success and the earlier application timeline. After the short presentation there will be a live Q&A with their creative arts staff and specialists in admissions. Prepare for the webinar by learning more at the [Griffith Film School portfolio admissions webpage](#). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

## **Trimester 2 Head Start applications**

Year 11 and 12 students who wish to make a start on their university studies in the Head Start program can apply now. You can choose to study one subject through the [Head Start On Campus or Online program](#). Applications close soon so check it out and talk with your parents and Guidance Officer/School Counsellor.

## **Using VET and other alternative qualifications for competitive entry to Griffith University**

Griffith accepts standalone VET qualifications from current Year 12 and mature applicants and acknowledges that they are a highly effective pathway to university. Students with a [VET qualification](#) completed at high school will continue to be considered for admission whether or not they are ATAR-eligible. QTAC will consider your VET qualification in conjunction with other senior subjects or as a standalone qualification when you are applying for entry into Griffith courses. VET qualifications for entry into certain Griffith courses/programs will not be considered, so check the link for more information.

## **James Cook University**

### **Engagement with the university**

JCU has created an area on their [website](#) where you can find out information and engagement programs that they offer for high school students. It includes information on:

- Visit JCU
- Application based programs
- Campus tours
- Why JCU

## JCU NOW

Through JCU NOW, Year 11 and 12 students get a taste of university life by participating in first-year university subjects taught by current JCU lecturers and tutors. You can choose from unique subjects across a range of study areas, such as Human Rights Law, Design Thinking, Sport and Exercise Nutrition, Educational Psychology and more. The first JCU NOW subject is FREE, and additional subjects are heavily subsidized. Click [here](#) for more information.

## Looking at JCU for next year?

Each university has their own selection process although they have much in common with each other. JCU will assess your application for the following:

- Eligibility – based on the University’s [admission rules](#) and course admission requirements, for example: course prerequisites and English language proficiency requirements.
- Merit – based on OP/ATAR, selection rank, Grade Point Average (GPA) and performance in special selection criteria, such as interviews and written applications.

Click [here](#) to read more information about:

- Undergraduate - domestic students
- International students
- Applying as a domestic student
- Applying as an international student
- Pathways to Uni
- Health and Medicine
- Global experience
- Study areas and campus locations
- Year 12 student success package
- Scholarships

## Queensland University of Technology

### Adjustment schemes

If you’re applying through QTAC to study at QUT, you may be eligible for an adjustment to your selection rank or ATAR through a number of adjustments schemes, making you more competitive for a course offer. You can apply for as many adjustments as you’re eligible for, up to a maximum of 10.00 ATAR or selection ranks across all schemes. QUT’s adjustment schemes include:

- Educational Access Scheme
- Regional, Rural and Remote Adjustment Scheme
- Priority School Adjustment Scheme
- Elite Athlete Entry Scheme
- Year 12 Subject Scheme
- First in Family Adjustment Scheme



Click [here](#) for more information on each of these schemes and to see if you're eligible. Make sure you double check the information as it can be adjusted as the year goes on.

### **Do you like writing? ScratchThat magazine**

Are you passionate about creative writing? Dreaming of a career as an author, poet or screenwriter? ScratchThat magazine, a QUT student initiative, publishes original work to showcase the burgeoning talents of QUT and high school students. This is your chance to showcase your talent and take a step towards your dream career! Whether it's poetry, short stories or essays, they want to read your work! Find more information [here](#).

### **How do you become a radiographer?**

Study medical imaging of course! But what does that look like, what do you do? Current student Sophie Hsu shares her advice, insights and a day in the life of a medical imaging student. Click [here](#) to read tips for studying medical imaging.

### **Vermillion High music competition**

Calling all high school musicians! Are you writing original music and interested in getting it professionally recorded and released? QUT's student-run record label, Vermilion Records will select up to 10 students or bands to have their music recorded and released. Send in a demo of your original song (no covers) using QUT's [application form](#). Applications close 30 June.

### **Virtual tours to find out more**

You can explore QUT's faculties and facilities through their 360° videos and 3D tours. Click [here](#) to do a video tour of Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove campuses as well as individual faculty areas including:

- Creative Industries
- Design
- Communication
- Health
- Science
- Engineering
- Architecture
- Education
- Business
- Law
- Library
- QUT College
- Self-guided campus tours

## The University of Queensland

### ATAR Guarantee

UQ is again offering guaranteed ATAR entry thresholds across most programs in 2025. This means you may be able to secure an early position in a UQ program based on your ATAR without the anxious wait for an acceptance letter. You will need to:

1. Select a UQ program as your first QTAC preference.
2. Meet or exceed the guaranteed ATAR threshold
3. Subject prerequisites must be met

Programs not included in the scheme are:

- dentistry
- Medicine
- Physiotherapy
- Veterinary science
- Western civilisation

Click [here](#) to read more about the programs/degrees in the scheme.

### Accommodation options

Finding the right place to live is a big part of settling into student life. With options available both on and off campus, UQ Services can help you find your new home. If you're a new regional, interstate or international student, they can guarantee you a place at one of their approved accommodation providers or residential colleges before you arrive in Brisbane. It's never too early to [learn more about guaranteed accommodation](#). Residential options include On-campus and off-campus and an under 18 supervision program. Find out more [here](#).

### An alternative to a gap year

UQ have put together a guide where you can find out how you can take your studies overseas on an exchange or short-term study abroad experience. Check out Internships and global experiences [guide](#) for more information, countries you can study in and courses that have this option incorporated into their course structure.

### Campus tours

UQ offer several different ways you can undertake a campus tour:

1. [Virtual tours](#) - If you can't make it to campus, you can always explore UQ from home.
2. Self-Guided tours - Download the UQ Maps app from [Apple store](#) or [Android store](#) and explore the campuses at a pace that suits you.

## Engineering, design and computing careers evening

Years 9-12 students will gain insights from recent graduates, networking opportunities with industry professionals and information on study options at UQ. You will learn about diverse career paths and the importance of personal branding and resilience. This information session will be held on 18 July, from 6-8pm in the Advanced Engineering Building #49, UQ St Lucia campus. Click [here](#) to find out more and to register.

## Glossary of terms

Choosing to go to university is a big decision but it can bring up a whole lot of questions. You've probably heard people talk about programs, prerequisites, majors and minors but what do these all mean? UQ have put together a glossary of terms to help you understand what you are hearing and reading. Click [here](#) to find out about:

- QTAC
- Prerequisite
- Bridging program
- Undergraduate and postgraduate
- Semester
- Program
- Course
- Unit
- Elective
- Course delivery mode
- Major and minor
- Lecture and tutorial
- Honours

## Guaranteed accommodation

UQ offers guaranteed accommodation for all commencing students enrolled at St Lucia or Herston campuses. Guaranteed accommodation helps UQ students secure accommodation at select providers which reserve a number of rooms so students can easily compare, choose and apply for accommodation. Offers of accommodation are made by Residential Colleges (on campus) and Approved Providers (off campus). Click [here](#) to find out more about these options.

## Provisional entry for the Doctor of Medicine (MD)

Applicants are now selected for all offers using a merit order rank which is derived by:

- percentile rank in the MMI (Multi-mini interview) = 50%
- percentile rank in the UCAT = 25%
- percentile rank in the Adjusted ATAR = 25%

This rank was derived by QTAC across these applicants who met the ATAR better or equal to an ATAR 95.00 threshold

- |                                                                    |                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| • Lowest UCAT and the lowest adjusted ATAR to receive a full offer | UCAT aggregate |
| 2660    Adjusted ATAR    95.50                                     |                |
| • Median Ucat and median adjusted ATAR to receive a full offer     | UCAT aggregate |
| 3250    Adjusted ATAR    99.50                                     |                |

## Study at UQ - valuable information

UQ's Study portal will help discover study options to match your interests, passions and career goals. Click [here](#) to find information on:

- Master the unknown
- Find a program
- Scholarships
- Information for:
  - International students
  - High School Students
  - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students
  - Parents

## UCAT entry requirements

The following were the UCAT entry requirements for 2024 (this can change from year to year):

- |                                                              |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| • Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours) - for offer           | 3684 |
| • Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours) (Rural) - for offer   | 3467 |
| • Provisional Entry MD (QLDD Residents - for interview       | 3030 |
| • Provisional Entry MD (Interstate applicants) for interview | 3220 |
| • Provisional Entry MD (Rural) - for interview               | 2660 |

## What degrees are in demand

The following were the 1st preferences in demand courses in 2024:

- Bachelor of Advanced Finance and Economics +49%
- Bachelor of Advanced Science +14%
- Bachelor of Advanced Business +11%
- Bachelor of Engineering +8%
- Bachelor of Business Management +29%
- Bachelor of Law +8%

Top 3 quota programs by increase in demand:

- Bachelor of Dental Science +50%
- Bachelor of Midwifery +31%
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy +16%

## University of New England

### Early Entry Offer

UNE Early Entry is open to all Year 12 applicants, whether or not you're expecting to receive an ATAR. Early Entry relies on your school's assessment of your attributes and abilities, your ability to work and learn independently and your overall potential for academic success. Based on your school's recommendation, UNE will guarantee you an offer to start with them in 2025 but if you are not eligible for one of your preferences, you will receive an offer for an alternative course. Click [here](#) for more information and application process. Check with the University for Early Entry applications closing date.

### Residential Colleges

UNE's Residential Colleges provide more than shelter, food and friendship. Finding the balance between study and your social life can be difficult in the first months of your university experience. College provides support to ensure that your time at Uni is as productive as it is enjoyable. Student support includes:

- Academic support: Academic mentors (or tutors) are senior students who commit additional time to guiding academic progress of the College residents. These senior students have consistently shown a high level of achievement during their own studies and will be able to help you with understanding assessment requirements, tutorial questions and general content help throughout your time at Uni.
- Personal support: The combined challenges of finding your feet in a new location, making new friends and keeping pace with assignments, can be difficult to juggle. UNE Colleges provide the support you need to make this transition easier, to manage your priorities and to help you have fun at the same time.

For more information contact the university or check out their [website](#).

## University of Southern Queensland

### Adjustment factors pathway

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 at school. UniSQ give a total of 10 adjustment factors across their pathway schemes. You do not have to apply for these adjustment factors as they are automatically applied by QTAC when your application is assessed. It is good to know if you are eligible for

any adjustment factors as this may influence your QTAC course preferencing. Click [here](#) for more information including:

- First in family
- Location adjustments
- School adjustments
- Supporting you and your journey to UniSQ
  - Subject adjustment
  - Early offer
  - Educational Access Scheme (EAS)
  - Elite athlete adjustment

## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
11/06/2024	ADF: Cairns: Army Reserve Information Session
11/06/2024	ADF: Brisbane: Engineering Careers Information Session
11/06/2024	ADF: Brisbane: Engineering Careers Information Session
11/06/2024	ADF: Cairns: Army Reserve Information Session
11/06/2024	ADF: Maroochydore: Army Reserve Information Session
11/06/2024	ADF: Maroochydore: Army Reserve Information Session
11/06/2024	Camp America Online info session
12/06/2024	Biloela Careers Market Day
12/06/2024	Science at UQ webinar
13/06/2024	ADF: Capalaba: Defence Careers Information Session
13/06/2024	QUT's High School Moot Competition registrations close
15/06/2024	Endeavour College of Natural Health Open Day
15/06/2024	Griffith Uni's Head Start Trimester 2 applications close
17/06/2024	SUN Term 2 2024 applications now open
17/06/2024	UQ's Ramsay undergraduate scholarship applications open
18/06/2024	ADF: Brisbane: Health Careers Information Session
18/06/2024	ADF: Gold Coast: Army Reserve Information Session
18/06/2024	ADF: Townsville: Defence Careers Information Session
18/06/2024	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange
19/06/2024	ADF: Toowoomba: Defence Careers Information Session
19/06/2024	ADF: Brisbane: Army Reserve Information Session
21/06/2024	Experience UQ Skills
23/06/2024 to 28/06/2024	UQ's InspireU Health Sciences Camp
25/06/2024	ADF: Brisbane: Defence Careers Information Session

25/06/2024	ADF: Maroochydore: Defence Careers Information Session
25/06/2024	Ethos: An Exhibition at SAE for ISEA Exhibition
27/06/2024	ADF: Cairns: Defence Careers Information Session
30/06/2024	Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards entries close
30/06/2024 to 05/07/2024	UQ's InspireU Year 12 Camp
30/06/2024	Vermillion High music competition Closing date
01/07/2024	2024 Young ICT Explorers competition registrations close
01/07/2024 to 05/07/2024	QUT Future You Summit
01/07/2024	Semester 2 Head Start applications close
02/07/2024 to 05/07/2024	Junior Physics Odyssey
03/07/2024	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange webinar
03/07/2024	UQ's InspireU Kickstart Camp
05/07/2024	QUT Sport Tech Challenge School Registration close
06/07/2024	SAE's Create for a Day event - Byron Bay
06/07/2024	SAE's Create for a Day event Brisbane
09/07/2024	Camp America Winter Work Webinar
10/07/2024	ACU Guarantee: Early offers and student pathways webinar
12/07/2024	Focus on Abilities Short Film Festival entries close
13/07/2024 to 14/07/2024	2024 TSXPO Tertiary Studies Expo
13/07/2024	JCU Townsville Open Day
13/07/2024 to 14/07/2024	QLD Work and Skills Expo
13/07/2024 to 14/07/2024	Tertiary Studies Expo (TSXPO)
16/07/2024	Camp America Online Information Session
16/07/2024	Griffith Film School Portfolio Application Webinar
16/07/2024	Sunshine Coast Careers Expo
17/07/2024	Camp America online information session
18/07/2024	Engineering, Design and Computing Careers Evening
18/07/2024	UQ Engineering, design and computing careers evening
20/07/2024	QUT Sport Tech Challenge School competition
27/07/2024	JCU Cairns Open Day
28/07/2024	QUT Open Day



29/07/2024	Townsville Careers Expo
31/07/2024	2024 Young ICT Explorers competition entry submissions close