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## Videos about getting a trade or skill

It is hard to find information about jobs and skills. [Skills1NETv](#) is a site where you will find hundreds of videos about getting a trade or skills. Some short videos that you can access now are:

- [Food for thought - a look at cattle farm management](#)
- [A recipe to success](#)
- [Wild careers in tourism](#)
- [Meet the jockeys](#)
- [So you think you're a leader?](#)

There is a list of industry areas on the right hand side of the page that will take you to heaps more videos.

# AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

## Australian Defence Force information sessions

If you are interested in the Australian Defence Force, it's a good idea to attend one of the information sessions and consider a work experience placement. You will get a better idea about the life and jobs in the Defence Force. For details about these events and for Army Reserve Information visit the [Defence Jobs Australia Facebook site](#). You can register to attend the following [information sessions](#):

- 01/06/2021    [St. George: Defence Careers Information Session](#)  
[Caboolture: Army Reserve Info Session](#)
- 02/06/2021    [Maroochydore: Logistics & Hospitality Info Session](#)
- 03/06/2021    [Longreach: Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 07/06/2021    [Toowoomba: Indigenous Influencer Afternoon Tea](#)  
[Cairns: STEM Careers Info Session](#)  
[Gayndah: Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 08/06/2021    [Toowoomba: OSB Mentoring](#)  
[Alexandra Hills: Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 09/06/2021    [Gold Coast: Aviation Careers Information Session](#)  
[Townsville: STEM Careers Info Session](#)
- 10/06/2021    [Gympie: Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 14/06/2021    [Gold Coast: Health Careers Information Session](#)  
[Brisbane: Aviation Careers Information Session](#)
- 15/06/2021    [Gold Coast: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
- 16/06/2021    [Cairns: Defence Careers Info Session](#)  
[Townsville: Defence Careers Info Session](#)
- 17/06/2021    [Sunshine Coast: Careers for Indigenous Australians Information Session](#)  
[Brisbane: ICT & Telecommunications Information Session](#)  
[Queensland: ICT & Telecommunications Virtual Information Session](#)



[Mackay: School to Service Info Session](#)

[Toowoomba: Defence Careers Information Session](#)

## **Defence 2022 Gap Year opportunities**

A gap year with the Airforce, Army or Navy is a great way to trial a career in the ADF and you get paid to do it! Jobs have different closing dates so visit the [website](#) for information about closing dates and:

- Defence Force roles
- Frequently asked questions
- Is the ADF Gap Year for me?
- How much you will earn?
- Benefits of an ADF Gap year

## **How do I apply for the Defence 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, visit a recruitment centre or call 13 19 01
2. YOU (Your Opportunities Unlimited) Session
3. Attend Assessment Session
4. Attend Officer Selection (if you are wanting this pathway)
5. Take a Fitness Test
6. Attend Enlistment and Appointment day.

## **Want to become an officer in the Australian Defence Force (ADF)?**

There are many different pathways to becoming an officer in the ADF. Explore the following options:

- [Australian Defence Force Academy](#)
- [Royal Military College, Duntroon](#)
- [Graduate entry](#)
- [Defence University Sponsorship](#)
- [Reserves](#)



## 2021 Good Careers Guide and what information it provides

[The Good Careers Guide](#) (GCG) provides information on over 400 jobs and related entry pathways. It also includes tips on career exploration, financial assistance and job seeking skills. In the 2021 edition, you will be able to locate:

- [Courses in Australia](#) - Search for accredited courses offered by Australian universities, TAFE institutes and private colleges
- [Institutions in Australia](#) - Search every Australian university, TAFE institution and private provider
- [The Good Careers Guide](#) - Explore more than 400 job descriptions and find the right career for you
- [University Ratings and Rankings in Australia](#) - Find and compare ratings for universities and higher education institutions around Australia
- [Scholarships in Australia](#) - No matter what you are intending to study and where, you will be sure to find some financial assistance on offer to help you pay for it
- [Events & open days](#) - Keep up to date with the latest university events & open days
- [Study Information](#) - The Support Centre contains all the information you will need to know about tertiary studies and what to expect from what types of courses are available to what campus life is really like
- Education Blog - These articles will provide you with a wide range of information

Find out more at [The Good Universities Guide website](#)

## 6 steps to following your passion

When researching jobs people often tell you to 'follow your passion'. But what does this actually mean? Some people seem to know their passion right from the get-go, but don't worry if that's not you, or if your passion isn't career related. 'Following your passion' can come down to figuring out what you enjoy or love doing, then finding ways to bring this into your future job. You might research an industry you really care about, a job with more activities or tasks you enjoy and/or finding a project you find satisfying to do. Whether it's through a bigger change or a small one, finding what you're passionate about and pursuing it can make your working life more fulfilling. [Seek suggests](#) six key steps:

1. [Self-evaluation](#)
2. [Explore the possibilities](#)
3. [Bounce your ideas off friends and family](#)
4. [Write your plan](#)
5. [Trial it if you can](#)
6. [Do it](#)

## 8 ways to manage your money as a first-year uni student

You'll learn many new things during your university years, but several of those lessons will happen outside the classroom. As you grow comfortable living independently, you'll need to figure out how to maintain your lifestyle while planning for the future. [Read The Good Universities Guide's](#) eight ways to manage your money as a first-year university student so you can take control of your financial life.

### Career road test

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

### Does a course with a high ATAR guarantee better job prospects?

The Good Universities Guide has found that much of what students know about salaries and employability at graduation is guided by belief, rather than facts and figures. In general, students tend to choose courses with the highest entry requirement they can access with their ATAR. In theory, the higher the ATAR, the better the course and the better the employment outcome.

If you're a high-achieving student, you may be considering a course that has a high ATAR minimum threshold score. Perhaps you're re-considering your course options because you may not get the ATAR you had initially hoped for. Regardless, it's important to note that the ATAR minimum threshold for courses are an indication of the popularity of a course – it doesn't necessarily reflect how good your options will be once you graduate.

When looking at graduate outcomes, such as employment rate or a high starting salary, the courses with high ATAR requirements don't necessarily deliver the best outcomes— well, not straight away. [Keep reading here.](#)

### Is VET for you?

Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualifications include certificates, diplomas and advanced diplomas, offered across a large number of industries and study areas. They offer many advantages — from pathway options to skill development. If you fit into one of the categories below, find out more about [VET courses](#) that could be your next step:

- You're looking for practical, hands-on training
- You're looking to qualify for a specific job or trade
- You're looking to 'try out' a study area before you commit to extensive study
- You're looking for a pathway to university study
- You're looking to add to your current skill set

## **Occupations can be in many different industries**

'Occupation' is a word that refers to the type of work a person does, for example, a doctor, teacher or cabinet maker. 'Industry' refers to the main goods and services that are produced by a person's employer. Most occupations can be found in a number of industries. For example, while many cooks work in the Accommodation and Food Services industry, cooks are also employed in the Healthcare and Social Assistance industry in hospitals, childcare centres and aged care facilities. By understanding how flexible an occupation can be, you can broaden your options and increase your chances of finding the right career pathway. For information on different occupations, visit Job Outlook at [joboutlook.gov.au](http://joboutlook.gov.au). For information on apprenticeships and traineeships, [visit AAPathways](#).

## **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.

# Competitions

## National Online Schools Quiz now open

On behalf of the Australian Society for Medical Research, Griffith Uni invites Year 7 – 12 students to participate in the ASMR Medical Research Week® 2021 national online quiz before Thursday 1 July. The quiz contains thirty multiple choice questions to test students' knowledge and inspire their imagination. Great prizes to be won! [Enter the quiz](#) here.

## STUFFit Student Film Festival competition

Stuffit Student Film Festival competition is a high school student film competition. There are nine categories and the competition culminates in a festival which will be held on 16 October 2021 at Majestic Cinemas Nambour. Closing date for entries is 6 July so visit the [Stuffit website](#) and click on Entries for details.

## UNSW Bragg Student Prize for Science Writing 2021

Are you an aspiring science writer in Years 7-10? You could win a stack of great prizes and be published alongside Australia's best science writers! This year's [UNSW Bragg student Prize for Science Writing](#) theme is *The STEM in Everyday Life*. Science, technology, engineering and math is part of everything around us, from our response to the pandemic, to the tech we use for play. In 800 words, you need to explain the STEM behind something that's part of your everyday life and important to you, your family, your culture, or your region. Applications are now open and close on 27 August 2021. Find more entry information and entry details [here](#).

# Employment

## 11 places to search for jobs

There are many places to look for a job. New services are always being set up to compete with established players. You can search online, in newspapers, through specialist agencies, at job seeker centres or through networks. Don't limit your search to one source. [Myfuture has compiled 11 places](#) you can search for a job including:

- Job websites
- Company and organisation websites
- LinkedIn
- Labour hire and employment agencies
- Networking
- Professional and trade associations
- Events
- Centrelink
- Group Training Organisations
- Newspapers
- Noticeboards

## 7 job skills that have stood the test of time

Some people can hop jobs and industries with ease. They move from one role to a seemingly unrelated one improving their salary and job prospects as they go. It's not a coincidence. These "lucky" souls have universal job skills that have stood the test of time – AKA "transferable skills". If you master these skills you may be rewarded with promotions and pay rises and be less likely to find yourself unemployed for any period of time. Below are the skills Seek identify as transferrable skills and you [can read more here](#):

1. Great communication skills
2. Flexibility, adaptability and innovation
3. Creativity and problem solving
4. Results focused
5. Great interpersonal skills
6. Computer skills
7. Ability to research

## **Jobs you may not know about including Radio Journalists, Inspectors and Regulatory Officers, Research and Development Managers**

[Radio Journalists](#) collect and analyse facts about newsworthy events by interview, investigation and observation and write stories for radio news or current affairs programs. You usually need a bachelor degree in journalism, followed by a one-year cadetship involving on the job training, to work as a Radio Journalist.

[Inspectors and Regulatory Officers](#) administer and enforce government and corporate regulations and standards. You usually need a formal qualification and strong attention to detail to work as an Inspector or Regulatory Officer. Vocational Education and Training (VET) and university are both common study pathways.

[Research and Development Managers](#) plan, organise, direct, control and coordinate research and development activities within organisations. You usually need a university qualification in a related field and relevant industry experience to work as a Research and Development Manager.

### **The importance of digital skills**

The Australian Industry and Skills Committee's (AISC) National Skills Overview shows the current explosion in new technologies is reinventing the way businesses are run. This has significant implications for the workforce, which needs to evolve and be agile to keep up with this technological expansion. As a result, [Digital skills](#) are becoming increasingly important and a priority for many industries. These digital skills include coding and programming, exploring the world of cloud computing and the Internet of Things, and developing and using robotic and automation technologies.

You can learn more by visiting the [National Skills Overview](#) or the [AISC Portal](#) for more information.

### **What is the Jobs Hub?**

[Jobs Hub](#) is a central portal for job seekers looking to link with employers who are currently hiring. The hub is broken into these sections:

- [Find employers hiring now](#)
- [Find government jobs](#)
- [Search online jobs boards](#)
- [Jobs in demand by location](#)
- [Start your own business](#)
- [Job Search Help](#)
- [Care sector careers](#)
- [Defence sector careers](#)



# Financial Assistance & Scholarships



## Are you the next Co-op scholar?

Co-op scholars balance strong academic performance with their personal interests, professional development and community involvement throughout their time in the Program. To ensure scholars are prepared for this they look for a solid academic foundation from high school applicants. For a 2021 high school leaver entering the program the minimum academic requirement is an ATAR of 96 (or equivalent), OR entry into the chosen degree program at UNSW, whichever is the higher. No adjustment factors (except EAS) will be considered for this requirement. [Click here](#) for more scholarship and application information.

## USQ Scholarships

Explore what scholarships are available and those coming soon. You can apply for more than one, so be sure to apply for all that you're eligible for. [Click here for the answers](#) to some of the following frequently asked questions:

- Are there scholarships available for international students?
- What is an Australian Commonwealth Government Research Training Program scholarship?
- Can I apply for more than one scholarship?
- How do I apply for scholarships?
- What documents should I attach to my scholarship application to show financial hardship?
- What if I'm offered more than one scholarship?

## VET STUDENT LOANS

VET Student Loans is an Australian Government loan program that helps eligible VET students pay their tuition fees. If you're studying a diploma, advanced diploma, graduate certificate or graduate diploma you may be eligible for a VET Student Loan. If you're studying a TAFE higher education degree course, VET Student Loans don't apply. For more information about what you may be eligible for refer to FEE-HELP or HECS-HELP. [Find out more information here](#).





# Indigenous

## **Away from Base - Diploma in Educational Studies, Tertiary Preparation Queensland**

Available as part of ACU's Away from Base program, the Diploma in Educational Studies (Tertiary Preparation) allows Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students to live and work in their local community, while studying and attending six on campus residentials, each lasting for a week at ACU's Brisbane Campus. This offering, which is available via direct entry application, is designed for those who want to undertake a pre-service teaching degree in early childhood, primary or secondary education.

Whilst undertaking this diploma, the Indigenous Higher Education Unit (Weemala) will support individuals to access additional resources which may include a study and financial assistance for residential stays, such as travel, accommodation and meal allowances. Successful completion of this course will guarantee entry into the Bachelor of Early Childhood (Birth to Five) and consideration for other bachelor programs. [Click here for more details](#) or contact the [Weemala unit](#).

## **Future UQ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students**

UQ offers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students a complete university experience, including an exciting mix of educational, social and cultural opportunities, to help you achieve your individual goals. [Click here](#) to download their Future student guide for Indigenous students where you will find out about:

- Outreach and engagement
- Indigenous admission pathways
- Indigenous tuition program
- Indigenous studies



# Interstate & International

## Study in the USA SAT OR ACT requirement changes

[Internationally Educated](#) offers customised college search and application services for Australian students wanting to study in the USA. On the website you will find news and resources to help with your application process. US university application requirements for current Year 12 students changed due to the pandemic. For the second consecutive year, most US universities will not require students to submit an SAT or ACT test result as part of the application process. Although there are a few institutions for which this does not apply, this is a giant step in the world of admissions. [You can read more here.](#)

# Job Info

## 5 Reasons Why: Psychology

Psychologists assess and work with clients to facilitate optimal mental, social and occupational health. They use a variety of treatments to ensure people can function effectively in society. [Here are five reasons](#) from the Good Universities Guide as to why you may wish to consider a career in the field of [psychology](#) including:

1. You can help people
2. Flexible working conditions
3. strong employment projections
4. It's challenging
5. It can take you anywhere



## **Pandemic impacts students' employment outcomes**

Latest NCVER research shows the pandemic had a wide impact on the employment outcomes for students who had completed a VET qualification in 2019. The *VET Student Outcomes 2020 report* examines how students who completed a VET qualification in 2019 were impacted by the pandemic in terms of employment outcomes at the end of May 2020. The report, which uses data collected in mid-2020 from the [National Student Outcomes Survey](#), shows 71.6% of domestic qualification completers were employed at the end of May 2020, a decline of 5 percentage points from the previous year. To learn more, [view the report](#) on our Portal.

## Open Days, Expos & Career Markets



### ADFA Open day

ADFA Open Day will be held on 21 August 2021. [Register here for updates](#) as it's your chance to get an insight into the experience of studying at ADFA including:

- Life at ADFA - Find out what it's like to live and learn at ADFA
- Hear from staff and students - Get an insider's perspective on everything from classes to military training
- See what you could study - Discover more about degrees on offer: Arts, Business, Engineering, IT, Science or Technology

### Endeavour College of Natural Health Open Day events

The College will hold an [in person open day](#) on 19 June and a [virtual Open Day](#) on 30 June 2021. Attending either Open Day is a great way to find out more about Endeavor College and ask all the study and enrolment questions you need to. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

### Shillington College Info session

Shillington has an upcoming Info Session where you can learn about their mission, watch an interactive demonstration of design software and creative thinking techniques, meet teachers, chat with graduates, view a wide variety of student portfolios and get a digital copy of the [Shillington Post](#). The upcoming Australia Info Session will be held on Friday, 9 July at 6:00pm sharp. [Click here to RSVP](#).

### Sunshine Coast Daily Careers Expo

The Sunshine Coast Careers Expo will be held on Tuesday 20 July from 10am - 2pm and 3pm to 6pm at Venue 114, Bokarina. Entry is free. [Click here](#) for more information on:

- Visitors' information
- Exhibitor directory
- Seminars
- Competitions
- Downloads
- Getting here

### Torrens University Australia's Virtual Careers Expo

In its second year, the Virtual Careers Expo is an innovative and interactive collaboration between Australia's major tertiary education providers, designed to showcase the wide range of options available to students as they prepare for life after school. Hear from more than 50 institutions. Highlights include:

- Wander through their virtual expo hall and Webcast Hub to watch seminars and feature presentations from more than 50 institutions
- Download course guides and take a virtual campus tour
- Chat with staff and current students to find out more about each institution

The Expo will be held on 16 July and [find out more and register here](#).

## **UQ Open Day**

UQ will be holding their 2021 Open Day on 1 August from 9am to 3pm at the St Lucia campus. There are a series of exciting on campus and online experience days in the planning so you can have the chance to get a taste of what studying at UQ is really like. [Register for updates](#)

# Private Provider Updates

## College of Aeronautical Science

[Courses conducted at the College of Aeronautical Science](#) will help you advance quickly in your chosen aviation career. Students will learn the necessary Mathematics, Physics and technical skills to be the best possible candidate in a competitive industry. Aptitude and Selection test training programs are available for Commercial/Defence Force Pilot, Cadet and Aircrew Candidates. They will be running a five day course in ATPL Flight Planning starting on 14 June. [Click here for more information](#).





# QTAC & Tertiary Entry

## What is the ATAR?

QTAC is the body that calculates and provides Year 12 students with their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR). The ATAR:

- Is the primary mechanism used nationally for tertiary admissions
- Indicates a student's position relative to other students
- Is a 2,000 point scale from 99.95 down to 0.00
- ATARs less than 30.00 are expressed as *"30 and below"*

QTAC calculated the first Queensland ATARs in December 2020 which brought Queensland in line with the rest of Australia. Thirty students received an ATAR of 99.95 with 16 different subjects including Biology, Chemistry, Economics, Engineering, English, English and Literature Extension, French, German, Italian, Latin, Literature, Mathematical Methods, Modern History, Philosophy and Reasoning, Physics and Specialist Maths. This list of subjects is NOT an indication of subjects that will guarantee a high ATAR. It has been included to show the wide range of subjects that students studied, did very well in and who received an excellent ATAR.

## What subjects should you study to gain an excellent ATAR

Year 10 students and their parents often ask this question. The answer is, the subjects that you enjoy, have had past success in and meet any future tertiary course prerequisites. You want to get to the end of Year 12, receive your results and be able to say to yourself that they are the best results you could get while maintaining life balance and wellbeing. The ATAR is a rank used by QTAC or your competitive entry into tertiary institution courses. It is NOT an indication of your 'intelligence' and future success and happiness in life.

## Year 10 Guide

QTAC will produce a Year 10 Guide under the "My Path" tab on [their website](#). Available as a free downloadable eBook, this Guide includes all listed university prerequisites and assumed knowledge needed to meet entry requirements for courses in 2024. It will also feature useful information for those students who are intending to pursue Apprenticeships, Traineeships, VET study or go straight to work. The Guide is also available to be purchased as a hard copy through the QTAC website.

## Year 12 2022 course guide

The Year 12 2022 Guide will be distributed to schools from 14 June 2021. You will also be able to [download it as an eBook](#) from this date.





# Study Skills

## Ideas to assist you with managing panic and reducing anxiety

**Idea 1:** When you are starting to panic remember this is an exaggerated physical reaction to stress. The feelings are unpleasant, but you can cope with them ... breath!

**Idea 2:** Concentrate on your breathing – Breathe three deep breaths in and out slowly closing your eyes (when possible) as you do it ... repeat until your heart rate is settled.

**Idea 3:** Watch your thinking. Say in your head statements like: “It’s OK”, “I can cope”, “breath”, “I can manage this” ...

**Idea 4:** Use distracting techniques – count backwards from 100 or describe a painting to yourself or remember a happy time

**Idea 5:** Tell yourself that this is just one point in time and it will pass ...

It is important to think in positive words to yourself. Everyone gets stressed and can panic but learning how to manage it will make the panic become less frequent. Always remember to back yourself. If you are finding managing your stress and/or panic difficult, speak with your school guidance officer, school counsellor or make an appointment to see your family doctor. They will all have great ideas to assist you to move forward positively and confidently.

## The Study un-do list

Time wasted is time you will never get back. This is why it’s important to beat time-wasting and negative study habits before they become an issue. USQ has developed a list of time-wasters (or you can create your own) study un-do list that will help you to identify your bad habits so you can avoid them and focus on the task at hand. [Click here](#) to read more and find the template to help you stay productive.

## Tips to smash your study

Whilst we all think we have to ‘hustle’ to get where we want to go in life; study, completing assignments, group projects and preparing for exams can be very unappealing. So below are some tips to keep motivated and moving towards your study goals. Megan Buxton from TAFE Queensland has seven helpful tips. [Click here](#) to read more about:

- Establish your study environment
- Download helpful Apps to keep you on track
- Form a support team of 'study buddies' consisting of classmates, and other TAFE/school staff and services
- Schedule your assessment
- Start on assessment early if possible and progress
- Share the study load

- Celebrate when you have submitted :)

## Ashmore TAFE opportunities

Ashmore specialised campus is the trades training hub of the Gold Coast. Equipped with industry-standard learning technologies you will perfect your chosen craft/skills. [Click here](#) and find the 2022 course guide and learn more about the range of courses available on the Gold Coast including:

- Advanced Diploma of Engineering Technology - Electrical
- Certificate IV in Building and Construction - Building
- Certificate III in Electrotechnology Electrician
- Certificate III in Horticulture
- Certificate III in Engineering Pathways
- Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation
- Certificate II in Split Air-Conditioning and Heat Pump systems
- Certificate II in Plumbing

## Diploma of Music Industry (Performance) and Diploma of Graphic Design additional entry requirements

The following two TAFE Queensland courses have additional entry requirements that need to be submitted in order to be eligible to be competitive for entry into the diploma in 2022. You must read these requirements carefully and meet all application dates.

- CUA50815 Diploma of Music Industry (Performance)\* [Audition required](#), commencing from 27 September 2021
- CUA50715 Diploma of Graphic Design\* Portfolio required, submit to [GDPortfolio.GoldCoast@tafeqld.edu.au](mailto:GDPortfolio.GoldCoast@tafeqld.edu.au) by 27 September 2021. Please refer to [tafeqld.edu.au](http://tafeqld.edu.au) (see 'Important Information' tab) for portfolio requirements

## TAFE Qualifications that will get you places

TAFE offer a full range of nationally recognised qualifications from entry-level certificates through to bachelor degrees. They also offer comprehensive trade training from beginner to advanced levels. [Click here](#) to see the range of qualifications on offer through TAFE Queensland and scroll down to see the full range.

## TAFE courses through CQU

Find out about the range of [TAFE study options](#) available through CQUni. Check out your local campus for actual or virtual career expos held by CQU where you can also find out more about the courses and career pathways.



## English Language requirements for Nursing at all universities

As a Year 12 student, before you can be considered for a place in a Nursing or Midwifery course, the [Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council \(ANMAC\)](#) requires that all applicants demonstrate their English language proficiency via one of the following options:

**Option 1: English is your primary language** AND you have attended and satisfactorily completed at least six years of primary and secondary education taught and assessed solely in English. At least two years of this education must have been between grades 7 and 12. This education must have been completed in one or more of the following countries: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom, United States of America. If this describes you, then you will need to complete a declaration confirming that you meet the requirements as described above.

**Option 2:** You do not meet the above option then you will need to sit an approved English language proficiency test. If this describes you, then you will need to sit one of the following approved English language proficiency tests and achieve the minimum scores: IELTS Academic, TOEFL iBT, PTE Academic, or OET. Before booking one of these tests, [please check to see which tests are accepted by the institution you are applying to](#).

## Australian Catholic University

### ACU Guarantee

ACU Guarantee provides Year 12 students the opportunity to be offered a spot within their chosen degree prior to completing Year 12. Not only does this take the pressure off when it's time for final exams and assessments, it also provides you with the security and comfort of knowing you already have a place in your university degree of choice. How does it work? By using Year 11 results, ACU can predict a selection rank and make an offer accordingly. You can also fill out up to three optional personal statements which can grant up to 10 adjustment factors to boost your selection rank. If you are successful, you may receive an offer as early as July. [Find out more here](#).

### Bachelor of High Performance Sport - a career working with elite athletes

The high performance sport industry employs sport scientists, coaches, strength and conditioning professionals and high performance managers and analysts. At the heart of this industry is the conditioning of the athlete. The [Bachelor of High Performance Sport](#) focuses on athlete preparation, coaching, training and performance; industry-relevant knowledge, skills and accreditation; work-integrated learning opportunities. This degree meets the Australian Strength and Conditioning Association (ASCA) and with Exercise and Sport Science Australia (ESSA) [Click here](#) for more information.

## Experience ACU

Get a taste of uni life before you enrol to study at ACU. This free event allows you to participate in hands-on workshops, meet staff and students and explore ACU's facilities. The event will be held on 30 June and you need to [register here](#).

## Moving Away from Home

University life is about more than just study – it's about new friends, exciting experiences and memorable moments. Living in student accommodation is one of the best ways to get the most out of your university experience. Explore your accommodation options and hear tips from students who moved away from home to study at ACU during a webinar on 15 June from 6 - 7pm. You can [register now](#)

## New courses on offer

ACU courses are continually evolving with some completely new, others have been revised to ensure they are the most effective degrees ACU can offer while some are being introduced on a particular campus for the first time. The below degrees are new undergraduate degrees for 2022.

- [Bachelor of Arts \(Western Civilisation\)](#) - This course provides you with a rigorous and stimulating intellectual program in which you'll engage with western philosophy, history, literature, politics, art and culture. Develop a deep understanding of the great works, ideas and movements within the western intellectual tradition.
- [Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science/ Bachelor of Nutrition Science](#) - Physical activity and healthy eating are fundamental to good health and wellbeing. They reduce the risk of disease and improve or maintain overall quality of life by enhancing mental and social wellbeing. This four-year full-time degree equips you with the skills to pursue careers related to exercise and sport science and nutrition science.
- [Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice](#) - By studying this degree, you'll understand the complex causes and impact of crime, and the legal and social policies that keep us safe.

## Bond University

### 2022 Year 12 entry

Bond University will support students by assessing applications based on their first semester Year 12 results. Year 12 early offers for 2022: How it works:

1. Complete Bond's direct online application, submitting results from your Semester 1 Year 12 report, as well as your Semester 1 and 2 Year 11 reports.
2. Bond University will assess your application and high school grades against the minimum entry requirements for Bond's undergraduate\* and diploma programs.
3. If you meet the entry requirements, you receive an early offer that guarantees entry to Bond conditional on the completion of Year 12 and meeting any subject prerequisite requirements for your program.
4. When you successfully complete Year 12 and pass any prerequisite subjects, your offer becomes unconditional and you are officially a Bondy!

\*Note: Bond's Medical Program is excluded from these revised entry requirements and you can [APPLY NOW](#)

## Can I use a VET qualification for entry?

If you complete a VET qualification in school and successfully complete Year 12 (with or without an ATAR), Bond will consider your VET qualification for admission. You may be required to demonstrate English language proficiency by passing the English subject with a grade of C or better, or by undertaking an English proficiency test and achieving the required scores for entry. If you have also attained an ATAR, Bond University will consider the higher ranked of the two qualifications (ATAR or VET) for admission. Advanced standing (credit) may be provided in a similar undergraduate degree. [Click here](#) to read more.

## Central Queensland University

### SUN Term two 2021 applications now open

Start Uni Now (SUN) students gain an insight into university life and after successful completion may be eligible for direct entry to a wide range of CQUni courses (excludes quota managed courses). Applications for Term two (12 July – 8 October 2021) close on 18 June 2021. Find out how to apply and access more information about SUN [here](#).

### Student Accommodation

Student on-campus residences are available at CQUni Mackay and Rockhampton. Off-campus accommodation options are also available. [Click here](#) for more information.

### Study at CQUni at their Brisbane campus

CQUniversity provide innovative and flexible study options in Brisbane. Some of the courses offered at their Brisbane campus are:

- [The Bachelor of Echocardiography \(Cardiac Physiology\)/Graduate Diploma of Echocardiography](#) comprises a three-year bachelor degree and a one-year graduate diploma and leads to a career as an echocardiographer. Apply your knowledge of cardiac physiology, measurement science and practical echocardiographic scanning skills in a diagnostic setting.
- [Bachelor of Digital Media](#) – a course for students with a flair for design who are keen to create digital media works using soft wear tools and techniques.
- [Bachelor of Science \(Chiropractic\)](#) – an evidence based degree, you will develop patient assessment skills and therapeutic approaches to manage common musculoskeletal issues like back, neck and shoulder pain, headaches, movement problems and more
- [Bachelor of Law](#) - CQU offer a range of double degrees with Law

## Griffith University

### 2022 Undergraduate study guide

The Griffith University 2022 undergraduate study guide [is available on line](#). Some of the information it contains is:

Page 2: Welcome to Griffith including how to apply

Page 9:	Their Degrees
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## After the Siren

This free all-day program run by the [Griffith Sports College](#) on 15 July or 20 July on the Gold Coast campus, is designed to offer student athletes in Year 10, 11 and 12 the unique opportunity to learn firsthand about life as an elite athlete, from a range of current industry professionals. This program will help you prepare for a successful life on and off the sporting field. Click here to find out more and to register.

## Guarantee Admission Scheme

The [Guarantee Admission Scheme](#) has three different categories:

- Guarantee Admissions Scheme - ATAR 90+/IB 33+
  - This category recognises your performance and guarantees entry to a set of competitive and high demand undergraduate degrees
- Guarantee Admissions Scheme - ATAR 80+/IB 28+
  - This category recognises your achievements and guarantees entry to a wide range of creative, generalist and professional undergraduate degrees
- Guarantee Admissions Scheme - VET
  - This category recognises your capabilities and guarantees entry to a set of undergraduate degrees that build on your vocational skills if you have completed Certificate III, IV or Diploma level study

## Looking at applying for degrees at the Queensland Conservatorium

Applications for the Trimester 1 2022 intake will open in August 2021 through QTAC. [Click here](#) for more information on the application process. When you apply via QTAC you will select your preferred degree and/or specialisations:

- 251722 Bachelor of Music – applications close 31 August 2021
- 251782 Bachelor of Acting – applications close 31 August 2021
- 251772 Bachelor of Musical Theatre – applications close 31 August 2021.

You can choose up to three specialisations to audition for the Bachelor of Music. If you are interested in a Popular Music program they advise you to select one popular music specialisation only. Any additional Popular Music specialisations can be included in the one audition and no additional fee or audition is required. In the case of singer-songwriters, who often sing and self-accompany on an instrument, please



nominate voice as your major instrument. However, if selecting any additional specialisations under other majors, a separate audition will be scheduled and additional fee required.

## **Pathways to Medicine webinar**

Griffith University is holding a Pathways to Medicine webinar on 3 June for school leavers to help you discover the different options available as you plan your journey to a career in medicine. In this short webinar, Griffith experts will introduce you to the various entry pathways into the Doctor of Medicine, including the accelerated program for high-achieving school leavers. They will cover everything you need to know about Griffith's admissions criteria and selection processes. [Register here](#).

## **University Campuses**

Griffith University has five campuses that offer a range of undergraduate degrees. Depending on the degree you are interested in may determine which campus you will attend. Find out more about the various campuses and degrees by clicking on the links below.

[Gold Coast](#) is located at the Gold Coast and has a range of state-of-the-art facilities and offers teaching and research in almost all disciplines or study areas.

[Logan](#) is a community campus with a strong focus on community health, education and business. It specialises in flexible learning options for students.

[Mt Gravatt](#) is adjacent to Nathan campus and offers criminology and criminal justice, education and applied theatre and psychology.

[Nathan](#) is on the south side of Brisbane. It offers degrees in business and government, engineering and information technology, environment, humanities and languages, law and science and aviation.

[South Bank](#) is located in Brisbane's South Bank Parklands and includes the Queensland College of Art, the Queensland Conservatorium, Griffith Film School and Griffith Graduate Centre.

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

Griffith continues to accept standalone VET qualifications for current Year 12 or mature applicants. Griffith also recognises the skills and knowledge gained through Vocational Education and Training (VET) as 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 stand alone qualification when you are applying for entry into Griffith courses. VET qualifications will not be accepted into certain Griffith courses/programs so check the link for more information.

## **Queensland University of Technology**

### **Help choosing courses and careers**

The [Kickstart Your Career: Getting Ahead at University](#) free online course was developed by QUT career counsellors to help you identify your strengths and motivations, as well as potential courses and careers. T



## The University of Queensland

### 2021 key dates for 2022 entry

Some key 2021 dates for UQ to put in your diary:

- Early application closing dates
  - Medicine - 30 September 2021
  - Vet Science - 30 November 2021
  - Music - audition applications 6 September
  - QTAC applications 30 November
- [CASPer](#) (Vet Science) - check the website for dates August, October, early December

### A day in the life of a Science student at UQ – a series of videos

So what is Science really all about? UQ's Faculty of Science has released a range of videos showcasing the daily life of a UQ Science student. [These videos](#) explore the studies, opportunities and experiences of real-life students in Advanced Science, Marine Biology, Equine Science and more!

### Auditions for the 2022 B Music (Honours) Program

The UQ School of Music invites applications from everyone who is interested in auditioning for a place in the B Music (Honours) program commencing in Semester 1 2022. The application to audition form, with all other necessary documents and the link to your audition video, must be submitted to the School of Music by Thursday 12 August 2021. The School may not accept your application to audition if it is incomplete or received after that date. [Click here](#) for the application to audition form and [here for more details on the application requirements and profess.](#)

### Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours)

If you are considering applying for entry to the Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours) program for Semester 1/2022 you should read the information on the [UQ website](#) and also need to be aware that:

- The aggregate score from all five sections of the UCAT ANZ/UK will be applied as the primary differentiator to rank applications with ATAR 99.00 or higher.
- UCAT ANZ/UK Section 5 score will be used as a secondary differentiator between applications with the same UCAT ANZ/UK Aggregate
- The UCAT ANZ/UK Section 1 score will be used as a further differentiator if required.
- The above changes will also apply to international applicants from Semester 1/2023

### Doctor of Medicine prerequisites

All graduate entry applicants including domestic, international and UQ-Ochsner pathway, need to have successfully completed two subject pre-requisite courses, or equivalent prior studies in cell and tissue biology and systems physiology, within the last 10 years when enrolling into the MD Program. Similarly,

provisional entry offer holders need to successfully complete the two subject prerequisites or equivalent in their undergraduate program prior to commencing the MD program. [Click here](#) for more information and suitable UQ prerequisite courses and UQ programs which meet MD prerequisites and more.

## Future Students portal

UQ's [Future Student portal](#) will help you easily find information on:

- programs (undergraduate degrees) you can study
- the admissions process
- University life
- Events
- Stories
- Contacts if you have questions

## 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.

## Guide for 2022 admissions

[UQ's 2022 Undergraduate Guide](#) is now available online. When you click on the link you will have to register in order to access the guide however, you may be able to get a hard copy from your school Guidance Officer/Career Counsellor. The guide contains a range of useful information for future students including:

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## Provisional entry – Doctor of Medicine (MD)

Applicants are now selected for full offers into the Provisional entry to Doctor of Medicine (MD) using a merit order rank which is derived:

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

Provisional entry into the MD will include the following criteria:

- Must be a recent Year 12 school leaver - applicants must have completed Grade 12 at their first attempt in the year of application.

- Adjusted ATAR of 95.00 (or equivalent) or higher) - adjustment factors will apply at UQ.
- UCAT ANZ score obtained in the year of application. - Aggregate score from the first four sections. - Section 5 will be used as a secondary differentiator between applicants with the same aggregate score.
- Section 1 will be used as a tertiary differentiator between applicants with the same Section 5 score
- MMI Interview – invitation to interview will be based on the ranking of the aggregate score from the first four sections of UCAT ANZ.
- Applicants will be ranked in merit order using their “final score”.
- MMI score will be used as a secondary differentiator between applicants with the same “final score”.
- Gain a minimum GPA of 5.00 in all study at UQ up to graduation with the first degree AND achieve a passing grade in subject prerequisite courses BIOM2011 and BIOM2012 (or equivalent).
- Rural Sub-Quota will still apply

## Subject incentive scheme

If you've passed certain subjects or completed university study while at school, you may receive adjustments to boost your selection rank. The number of adjustments you're eligible for will depend on the courses you've completed. You can receive:

- 2 adjustments for achieving a grade of C or higher in Units 3 and 4 of an [approved language other than English subject](#) (or an equivalent subject from another approved senior program)
- 2 adjustments for achieving a grade of C or higher in Units 3 and 4 of Queensland Specialist Mathematics (or [equivalent](#))
- 1 adjustment for successfully completing a university-level enrichment course concurrently with your senior program (e.g. our [Enhanced Studies Program](#)).

You can receive a maximum of 5 adjustments. If you're eligible for adjustments, your entry score will be converted to a selection rank. Any adjustments will be added to this rank. Each adjustment is equivalent to 1 rank. [Click here](#) for more information.

## Undergraduate Law admissions scheme

If you're from an educationally disadvantaged or culturally diverse background, the UQ Undergraduate Law Admission Scheme may help you gain entry to their law programs. The scheme is open to Australian citizens or humanitarian visa holders who are currently in Year 12 or have done no more than one year of tertiary education. [Click here](#) to find out if you are eligible and how to apply.

## University of Southern Queensland

### Diplomas are an option

It may be a little known fact but TAFE isn't the only place you can study diplomas. USQ's diplomas typically take 1 year and can serve as a stand-alone qualification or another way of beginning your study journey. [Click here](#) to find a list of online diplomas that are offered at USQ including:

- [Certificate of University Studies \(COUS\)](#)
- [Undergraduate Certificate of Engineering Fundamentals \(UCCE\)](#)
- [Undergraduate Certificate of Psychology Fundamentals \(UCCP\)](#)
- [Undergraduate Certificate of Spatial Science Fundamentals \(UCCS\)](#)

- [Diploma of University Studies \(DOUS\)](#)

## Double degree options

A double degree allows you to broaden your education and develop an interdisciplinary field of knowledge in less time than if you were to complete two separate degrees. Completing a double degree means you receive two testamurs (official certificates) – one for each of the degrees you complete when you graduate. They also offer combined degrees which offers you a single testamur (certificate) but allows you to combine studies in two different areas to give you a competitive edge. [Click here to find out more.](#)

## Interested in Aviation?

This is a three-year full-time (or part-time equivalent) course offered at the Springfield campus. The course has two majors – Aviation Management and Flight Operations. During the first year, all students complete core subjects on-campus. In the Aviation management major, students can complete their second and third years on-campus or online. See the [USQ website](#) for further information about this course including the opportunity of being considered for the QANTAS Group Future Pilot Program.

## Student support

No matter how you choose to study, whether that's online, on-campus or a bit of both, the USQ team will help you succeed before day one has even arrived. Some of the [support offered at USQ](#) are:

- Welfare
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support
- Study support
- Student ICT Training
- Accommodation
- Career Development
- Counselling
- Health and wellness
- Supporting students with disability
- LGBTIQ community
- Multicultural support
- Multi-Faith
- Student Guild

## University of the Sunshine Coast

### Parents can get your questions answered

If your child is wondering what uni life is really like or has questions about what to expect, the [USC parent lounge](#) can help. Check out their website for articles, tips and hints.

## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
01/06/2021	UQ - Careers that shape the world
02/06/2021	Bursaries for female students' applications close
03/06/2021	Griffith Uni's Pathways to Medicine webinar
04/06/2021	Entries close for the Bruce Dawe National Poetry Prize
04/06/2021	Redlands Careers Expo
04/06/2021	USQ Get Songwriting Prize entries close
11/06/2021	The Opti-Minds Challenge applications close
12/06/2021	Bond Health Simulation Experience Day
15/06/2021	Accommodation at ACU
15/06/2021	Griffith Uni's GUESTS applications for Trimester 2 closing date
15/06/2021	Moving out of home to go to Uni ACU webinar
20/06/2021	Entries close for UQ's Digital Storytelling Competition
23/06/2021	QUT's Power of Engineering event
23/06/2021	Year 9 Future Careers On-Campus Day
27/06/2021 to 30/06/2021	Agriculture, Science and Technology (FEAST) is a four-day residential program at UQ Gatton
28/06/2021	Griffith Film School Experience Week commences
28/06/2021	Open Conservatorium Tertiary Preparation week long Workshop commences
30/06/2021	Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards Competition entries close
30/06/2021	Experience ACU event
30/06/2021	Experience ACU Law
30/06/2021	Griffith Chemistry and Physics courses' applications close
30/06/2021	The Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards 2021 competition closes
12/07/2021	Semester 2 Head Start at USQ applications close
12/07/2021	USQ Semester 2 Head Start applications close
14/07/2021	World Religions Symposium 2021
16/07/2021	1 Minute Film Competition entries close
16/07/2021	Torrens University Virtual Careers Expo

17/07/2021 to 18/07/2021	2021 TSXPO Tertiary Studies Expo
19/07/2021	Warwick Career Market
20/07/2021	2021 Sunshine Coast Daily Careers Expo
20/07/2021	Stanthorpe Career Market
20/07/2021	Sunshine Coast Daily Careers Exop
21/07/2021	Chinchilla Career Market
22/07/2021	Kingaroy Career Market
22/07/2021	Wool4School Student Design Competition entries close
24/07/2021 to 25/07/2021	QUT Open days
24/07/2021 to 25/07/2021	QUT Open Days
27/07/2021	Logan Career Market
28/07/2021 to 29/07/2021	Griffith University High School Mooting Competition Gold Coast campus
29/07/2021	Griffith University High School Mooting Competition Nathan Campus
30/07/2021	Australian Mathematics Competition entries close