



# CAREER INFORMATION BULLETIN

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# Announcements

## A thought for the fortnight

Start the new semester positively:

1. Stay away from negative people
2. Understand that sometimes 'life just isn't fair'
3. Keep emotions under control - ask for support when needed
4. Learn to stay calm in chaos
5. Don't take everything personally
6. Focus on solutions not problems
7. Believe in yourself - always
8. Forgive - yourself and others
9. Learn from life's lessons
10. Don't fear being alone - use it to grow
11. Learn to control your reactions - not others' actions
12. Be grateful for what you have, many others are not as fortunate as you

## Fortnightly joke

I managed to get a good job working for a pool maintenance company, but the work was just too draining.

## Options App for quick access to career information for parents and students

Want easy access to the latest career news? Download the *Options Career Information App* from the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play](#) and ask your school GO or Career Counsellor for the School's access code. With 24/7 access, you can:

- Read the latest fortnightly career bulletins.
- Browse the careers events calendar.
- Search past bulletin articles.
- Access career handouts shared by your school.

## QCE academic integrity tick - no QCE!

From this year, students need to meet a new **academic integrity requirement** to get their QCE. This means doing your own work honestly and following the rules. You can find more info on the [Queensland Curriculum](#)

[and Assessment Authority \(QCAA\) website](#). Check it out and make sure that, when your school is running the course, you are there and taking it seriously - No tick in the academic integrity course box - no QCE!

# Apprenticeships & Traineeships



## Apprenticeship and Traineeship information from the Queensland Government

Thinking about an apprenticeship or traineeship after school? The Department of Trade, Employment and Training website has everything you need to get started. [Find out more including:](#)

- About apprenticeships and traineeships
- School-based apprenticeships and traineeships
- For apprentices and trainees
- Apprenticeships Info-support for apprentices, trainees and employers
- Information, forms, policies and procedures
- For supervising registered training organisations
- Train and retain initiatives

## CQU Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Apprenticeships and traineeships let you earn while you learn. You'll get paid, gain hands-on experience and complete a nationally recognised qualification. Traineeships usually take 1–2 years and cover a wide range of industries, while apprenticeships typically take 3–4 years to become a qualified tradesperson. They can be completed full-time, part-time or as a school-based option. Central Queensland Uni offer VET courses in:

- Animal studies
- Automotive Engineering and Technology
- Beauty Therapy
- Business
- Construction
- Education
- Electrotechnology
- Engineering
- Fitness
- Hairdressing
- Health care
- Horticulture
- Hospitality
- Information Technology
- Laboratory
- Tourism

[Find more info here.](#)

## Grader Operator - What's that?

Grader Operators use a grader to spread and level materials on construction sites. Graders are used to build and maintain dirt and gravel access roads and prepare surfaces for asphalt. Tasks and duties:

- Using manual and hydraulic controls on machinery to raise, lower and manoeuvre attachments.
- Selecting, attaching and removing attachments such as buckets, scoops, blades and hammers.
- Following plans, markers and verbal instructions.
- Operating controls to excavate, break, drill, level, compact, gouge, move, load and spread earth, rubble, soil and other materials.
- Following safety protocols.
- Performing minor adjustments and maintenance on plant.
- Lubricating, cleaning and refuelling machinery and positioning it ready for use.

Grader Operators typically work on roadworks and construction projects in industries such as civil engineering, mining and construction. How to get there?

1. Gain your construction induction training card (White Card).
2. Complete a Certificate III in Civil Construction (RII30920). This may be completed as part of an apprenticeship.
3. Complete pre-employment medical and police checks and drug and alcohol screening when required.
4. Build your skills and attain licences to operate other types of machinery to strengthen your career options as a skilled, all-round operator.

## Group Training Organisations (GTOs) in Queensland can organise Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Group Training Organisations (GTOs) hire apprentices and trainees, then place them with different employers to complete their training. What that means:

- You're employed by the GTO, not the business
- You can work with different employers during your training
- They help with support, paperwork and finding placements

Some GTOs focus on one industry, others cover lots of areas. To learn more, check out [Group Training Australia and explore GTO options across Queensland](#) so you can choose what suits you best.

## Pre-Apprenticeship courses

Want to get a head start on an apprenticeship? A TAFE Queensland pre-apprenticeship gives you hands-on training, practical work experience and industry skills to help you stand out to employers after school. It's a great way to explore a trade and build your confidence before starting an apprenticeship. [Find out more including:](#)

- What are the benefits?

- What job can I get?
- What if I don't know what I want to do?
- Available courses and how to apply
- Current school students' information
- School leavers and mature-age students' information

## **QANTAS Apprenticeship Program**

Launch your career in aviation with the Qantas Group Engineering Apprenticeship Program. This four-year, full-time apprenticeship is available in Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney, with opportunities in aircraft and non-aircraft trades. [Find out more here including:](#)

- Aircraft trades
- Mechanical Apprenticeships
- Avionic Apprenticeships
- Structural Apprenticeships
- Non-Aircraft Trades
- Engineering apprenticeship recruitment journey
- Benefits
- FAQs

## **Which apprenticeship will suit me?**

Choosing a career that matches your interests, strengths and goals can help you enjoy your work and build a great life. Check out [Skillsroad](#) and complete a career quiz, explore 350+ careers, take the [Job Fit Test](#), build a resumé and apply for jobs. [Find out more here.](#)



## Australian Defence Force (ADF) Information Sessions

The ADF hold information sessions that focus on particular areas of the Defence Force, providing valuable information around life, employment, opportunities and commitment when joining the ADF. For details about the following events visit the [Defence Jobs Upcoming Events & Info Sessions](#).

- 15/07/2026 [Maroochydore Aviation Careers Information Session](#)
- 16/07/2026 [Logistics, Hospitality & Support Careers Information Session](#)
- 20/07/2026 [Beaudesert Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 21/07/2026 [Townsville Aviation Careers Information Session](#)
- 22/07/2026 [Cairns Aviation Careers Information Session](#)
- 23/07/2026 [Gold Coast Aviation Careers Information Session](#)
- 27/06/2026 [Brisbane Aviation Careers Information Session](#)  
[Rockhampton Trade Careers Information Session \(PACC\)](#)
- 28/06/2026 [Brisbane Army Reserve Information Session](#)  
[Gladstone Trade Careers Information Session \(PACC\)](#)



## Explore Career Pathways

Not sure how to get into your dream job? The Australian Government's Your Career Pathways tool lets you explore different career routes, see how jobs connect and find out what qualifications you might need to get there. [Check it out here!](#)

## Matching interests with Uni degrees

Do you like to explain things to others?

If you're good at computers, science and numbers, you might want to investigate the following degrees:

- Advanced Science– Biotechnology– Clinical Exercise Physiology– Computer Science– Dental Science– Economics– Education– Engineering– Health Sciences– Information Technology– Mathematics– Medicine– Pharmacy– Politics, Philosophy and Economics– Psychological Science– Science

If you are good at pictures, words and being creative you might want to investigate the following degrees:

- Advanced Humanities– Arts– Communication– Education– Health, Sport and Physical Education– Tourism, Hospitality and Event Management– Journalism– Law– Nursing– Occupational Therapy– Politics, Philosophy and Economics– Social Science– Social Work– Speech Pathology– Western Civilisation

[Find out more here.](#) (Page 2).

## Not sure where to start finding out about jobs and qualifications?

The Good Universities Guide has an excellent section that provides information on 30 different career pathways including:

- Description of the study area
- Pathways
  - VET study options
  - Undergraduate study (Bachelor's degree)
    - courses, majors and specialisations
    - Where to study courses
    - career opportunities

- Postgraduate study options

Click [here](#) (scroll down) for more information.

## Practical, fast, job-ready - VET could be a great fit 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, a [VET course](#) 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

## School ends? Ideas for you!

It can be hard to know what to do when you finish school. The School ends. Ideas for you, has Book 1 which has valuable info to help you take control and manage your journey. [Options for you including:](#)

- Study
- Work
- You want time to think.
- You want to learn more
- You do classes. You learn how to do a job
- You learn on the job. There are some classes
- You learn by study.

## There's more than one path to university

The [Australian Tertiary Admission Rank \(ATAR\)](#) is just one way Universities select students for their courses. Most Universities offer alternative entry pathways for people who:

- didn't get the ATAR needed for standard admission.
- didn't get an ATAR at all.

Perhaps your education was disrupted, your family circumstances and responsibilities reduced the amount of time you could dedicate to study, you chose subjects that meant you were ineligible for an ATAR or your ATAR was not competitive enough. Whatever the case, there are other ways you can apply for university. [Read Your Career options](#) if you find yourself in this position including:

- About the ATAR?
- How to get into university without an ATAR
  - Enrol in a non-degree or bridging course first
  - Enrol in an undergraduate certificate course

- Try vocational education and training (VET)
- More pathways to university
- Support for school leavers and young people



### **Australian Women's Film Festival**

The Australian Women's Film Festival is a short film festival created by women, for women. AWFF wants to support, encourage and celebrate female storytellers by giving them a platform to showcase their talent both in front and behind the camera. Extended applications close 31 July. Click [here](#) for more information and entry details.

### **Griffith Law School Legal Essay Competition**

Are you a Year 12 student with a strong case to make about a current legal issue? Are you interested in the role of law and law reform to effect positive social change? If so, you are encouraged to submit an essay in Griffith Law School's competition. With cash prizes up for grabs, this is the perfect opportunity for you to showcase your passion for law and social change in a fun, competitive environment. Submissions close at 5pm Monday 17 August. [Find more info and entry details here.](#)



## Programs and support for people with disability for life after school

Your Career has plenty of resources to help students with a disability plan for life after school. [Find out more about:](#)

- Working with disability in Australia
- Financial assistance
- Pathways
- Explore different journeys for school leavers
- Study, training and job options pathways
- Additional supporting resources
- Parents and guardians

## Support for people with disabilities

If you have a disability, there are support services available to help you succeed in training, apprenticeships and traineeships. These services can assist with your transition into study, provide support while you're training, and help you move into employment. [More info here including:](#)

- Skilling Queenslanders for Work
- Free and reduced-cost training
- Apprenticeships and traineeships
- Training provider services
- Skills Disability Support
- Disabled Australian Apprentice Wage Support (DAAWS) Program
- Job Access
- Transition to Work (TtW)
- National Equipment Database (NED)
- National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)
- Resources for students with disability

## Support for students with disabilities at Queensland Universities and TAFE Queensland

If you are in Year 12 and you have a disability, it's important to know about the support you can access when studying at TAFE or Uni. Explore what's available on the University and TAFE Queensland websites below:

- [Australian Catholic University](#)
- [Bond University](#)

- [CQUniversity](#)
- [Griffith University](#)
- [Queensland University of Technology](#)
- [University of Queensland](#)
- [University of Southern Queensland](#)
- [University of the Sunshine Coast](#)
- [James Cook University](#)
- [TAFE Queensland](#)

Later in the year, contact these services and let them know that you hope to study with them next year. Find out how they can support you. University is not like school and you need to approach them first.

# Employment, Job and Labour Market Info



## Australian Jobs 2026

Australian Jobs is a free guide to Australia's job market. It explores growing industries, in-demand jobs, skills employers are looking for, and study pathways to help you make informed career decisions. Updated every year, it's a great resource if you're planning your future. [Scroll down and Download here and find out about:](#)

- Your career journey
- Job searching and skills development
- Jobs and Skills Councils
- Jobs by location
- Jobs by industry
- Jobs by occupation major group
- Occupation Matrix
- Useful websites and links

## Can't decide between a Registered Nurse, an Enrolled Nurse and a Midwife?

### Registered Nurse (RN)

Registered Nurses assess, plan and provide care for patients and supervise other nursing staff. They work in hospitals, aged care, medical centres and other healthcare settings. To become an RN, you need to complete a Bachelor of Nursing and register with the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency \(AHPRA\)](#). Visit [myfuture](#) and the [Good Universities Guide](#) to learn more.

### Enrolled Nurse (EN)

Enrolled Nurses work under the supervision of Registered Nurses, helping to provide patient care in hospitals, aged care and community settings. To become an EN, you need to complete a Diploma of Nursing and register with [AHPRA](#). Visit [TAFE QLD](#) and the [Good Universities Guide](#) for more information.

### Midwife

Midwives care for women during pregnancy, birth and the early weeks of a baby's life. They work in hospitals, clinics and community health settings. To become a Midwife, you need to complete a Bachelor of Midwifery and register with [AHPRA](#). Find out more through [Your Career](#) and the [Good Universities Guide](#).

[You also need to meet English Language proficiency standards.](#)

## Gen Zs and millennials are redefining career progression on their own terms

Gen Z and millennials are often called the "maybe later" generations, with many delaying big life goals like buying a home, starting a family, or moving into leadership. Money is a big reason why. Deloitte's 2026 survey found that more than half of Gen Z (55%) and millennials (52%) have put off major life decisions because of their finances. It also found that only a small number see becoming a leader as their top career goal.

The research shows there's more to the story. Instead of rushing into traditional milestones, many Gen Z and millennials are focusing on financial stability, wellbeing and building new skills first. They're also embracing AI, learning continuously, and developing adaptable skills for the future. Rather than following a traditional career path, they're creating careers that are more flexible and better suited to a changing world.

[Find out more here including:](#)

- Where Gen Zs and millennials are being more selective
  - They're making deliberate choices in a costly reality
  - They're rethinking the cost of leadership
- Where Gen Zs and millennials are accelerating
  - They're quicker to build new capabilities
  - They're moving faster on AI than their organizations
- The challenge is meeting Gen Zs and millennials where they are

## Heritage trades like locksmiths, lead-lighting, struggling to attract apprentices

There is a shortage of locksmiths in Australia. It calls into question which other artisan trades are falling by the wayside and which are thriving. Master Locksmiths Association's Martin Coote said "We need thousands of people in our industry across Australia." [Find out more about lock smithing, Lead-lighting and whip-making here.](#)

## How to tailor three different types of job applications

Employers use different ways to recruit staff. If you understand how employers recruit, you can match your application to their needs and improve your chances of getting the job. [Find out some common ways including:](#)

1. The electronic keyword match
2. The short and sweet approach
3. The detailed story
4. These tools can help you

## 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. [Here](#) you can 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.

## Looking for a job? Some hot tips!

**HOT TIP:** Meeting and talking to employers is a chance to make a good impression. Showing enthusiasm in person gives you a better chance at a job over someone who simply drops off their resume.

**HOT TIP:** Ask friends, family and former co workers if they know of any work available. Over a quarter of all employers used word of mouth to promote their positions in 2025.

**HOT TIP:** Make sure your public social media profile is presentable! Employers often look at profiles to review potential employees.

## Recruitment methods

The following is from Australian Jobs 2026 shows current recruitment methods:

|                                                 | Capital City | Rest of State |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1. Internet jobs boards                         | 61%          | 52%           |
| 2. Word of mouth                                | 25%          | 25%           |
| 3. Recruitment agencies/Gov employment services | 14%          | 12%           |
| 4. Social Media                                 | 13%          | 31%           |
| 5. Company websites                             | 11%          | 8%            |
| 6. Job seeker directly approaching employer     | 10%          | 6%            |
| 7. Advertised/promoted within business          | 7%           | 5%            |
| 8. Educational institution                      | 2%           | 3%            |
| 9. Other methods                                | 1%           | 3%            |
| 10. Newspapers                                  | 1%           | 3%            |

## There are two types of job skills to know about.

So, what are employers looking for in their employees? The first skills every employer wants are teamwork, reliability, initiative and a willingness to learn. The second are skills in demand—skills linked to jobs where employers need more workers, often leading to better job opportunities and pay. When applying for a job, make sure to highlight your skills in your résumé and cover letter. [Find more info and key skills employers are looking for here including:](#)

- Employers want team skills
- Employers want reliable employees
- Employers want initiative

- Employers want maturity
- Employers want willingness to learn
- Skills in demand - Find out [what skills are in demand](#)

# Financial Assistance & Scholarships



## Commonwealth Prac Payment (CPP)

The Commonwealth Prac Payment (CPP) will provide eligible domestic students access to \$338.60 per week (benchmarked to the single Austudy rate) while they are undertaking a mandatory placement in a Bachelor's or Master's in teaching, nursing, midwifery or social work degree. [Find out more about:](#)

- Eligibility criteria
- Reporting requirements
- Resources
- Commonwealth Prac Payment Student Flyer
- CPP Student Guide

## Study and training support loans

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) explains income-contingent loans (start paying loan back when you earn a certain amount/ week) that can help pay for uni, apprenticeships and other training. [Find out more here about:](#)

- How study and training support loans work
- Types of loans
- View your study loan account online
- When you must repay your loan
- Tell your employer about your study or training loan
- Compulsory repayments
- Voluntary repayments
- Overseas obligations when repaying loans
- Deferring repayments
- Study and training loans - what's new

## Thinking about applying for a scholarship?

Applying for scholarships takes a bit of planning but it's worth the effort. The Good Universities Guide has a simple five-step checklist to help you stay organised and improve your chances of success. [Check it out here including:](#)

- Funding your education
- Scholarships and financial assistance
- Scholarship options in Australia

## UQ Equity Schemes

### [Aspire Scholarship Scheme:](#)

- Value: \$4,500
- Duration: First year of study

### [Residential Scholarship Scheme:](#)

- Value: Varies between \$4,500- \$20,000+ / year
- Duration: Varies from 1 year to minimum program completion time
- Approved Accommodation Providers

### [Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Education Scholarship Scheme:](#)

- Value: Varies between \$500 - \$15,000 / year
- Duration: Varies from 1 year to minimum program completion time

You only need one application to be considered for all three schemes.

## Youth Allowance and Rent Assist for students and Australian Apprentices

Youth Allowance is a financial payment from the Australian Government to support students and Australian apprentices while they gain their qualifications. To get this, you must be one of the following:

- 18 to 24 and studying full time
- 16 to 17, studying full time and either independent or needing to live away from home to study
- 16 to 17, studying full time and have completed Year 12 or equivalent
- 16 to 24 and doing a full time Australian Apprenticeship.

Click [here](#) to read the full conditions and more information including:

- What you need to do
- How much you can get
- How to prepare to claim
- Who can claim
- When you'll get your first payment
- How to report and manage your payment

You might also be eligible for Rent Assist. [Check it out here.](#)



## Indigenous Apprenticeship Program (Australian Public Service)

Indigenous Apprenticeship Program (IAP) offers successful Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants a full-time, entry-level job with an Australian Government department. During the 12 month program you will complete a Certificate IV or Diploma of Government. [Find out more here including application info.](#)

## JCU Indigenous Education and Research Centre's Summer School

Are you currently in Year 12 and Planning to Study in 2026? JCU's intensive preparatory program is an opportunity for you to build basic knowledge and skills to commence university studies next year. You will get to participate in experiments and develop critical reading and writing skills. Applications open on 18 July and close on 26 September. Click [here](#) for more details including:

- What to expect
- Travel and accommodation
- What you can study
  - Academic literacy
  - Mathematics
  - Chemistry

A banner for 'Gap Year Program News'. The left side has a dark teal background with a white curved line and the text 'Gap Year Program News' in white. The right side shows a smiling woman in a red dress standing in front of the Big Ben clock tower in London.

## Gap Year Program News

### World Education Program Student Exchange options

The World Education Program Student Exchange (WEP) provides student exchange opportunities across 6 continents and 30 countries. With over 35 years experience, WEP is a trusted student exchange organisation. WEP is proud to have an excellent reputation with the government authorities and a strong commitment to high quality programming. Click [here](#) to find out more about:

- High School Exchange
- Events
- Language study programs
- Hosting an exchange student
- Free WEP Brochures
- Who we are

## Open Days, Expos & Career Markets



### 2026 TSXPO (Tertiary Studies & Careers Expo)

Thinking about life after school? Check out the Brisbane Tertiary Studies & Careers Expo (TSXPO). Meet universities, training providers and employers, explore study and job options and get career ideas and options. It's on at the RICC Brisbane Showgrounds on Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 July, 10am–4pm. Entry is free. [More info here including:](#)

- Registration for updates
- Visitor Info
- Exhibitor Directory
- Seminars
- Downloads
- Getting there
- Competitions

### Discover what it's really like to study at JMC Academy at their Open Day.

Explore film, TV, games, animation, design, music, acting, music theatre, audio, stage management and more. Here's what you can do:

- Tour the campus and check out the studios, labs and creative spaces.
- Meet lecturers, students and graduates working in the industry.
- Watch live performances and student showcases.
- Join course info sessions to learn what you'll study and future career options.
- Chat with Admissions about entry requirements, fees, FEE-HELP and scholarships.

The Open Day is on 22 August, 75 Grey St, South Brisbane from 9:30am to 3pm. [Find out more here including registration details.](#)

### July and early August Open Days and Career Expo

15 July [Toowoomba Careers Expo](#) 9am – 2pm

17 & 18 July [Tertiary Studies Expo \(TSXPO\)](#) 10am – 3.00pm Friday

19 July [University of Sunshine Coast Moreton Bay Open Day](#) 9am – 1pm

21 July [James Cook University Townsville](#) Open Day 10am – 2pm

[JCU Emerald](#) 3:30 – 6pm

[Sunshine Coast Careers Expo](#) 9.00am – 2.00pm

24 July [James Cook University](#) - Cairns

25 July [Bond University](#) Registration required

26 July [Queensland University of Technology](#) Open Day 9am – 3pm

30 July [CQUniversity \(Mackay\)](#) Open Day 4pm – 6pm

1 August [ACU Open Day](#) 10am – 2pm

2 August [University of Sunshine Coast](#) Sunshine Coast campus 9am – 1pm

[The University of Queensland](#) St Lucia campus 9am – 3pm

3 August [Townsville Careers Expo](#) 9am – 2:30pm

6 August [CQ University \(Bundaberg\) – Open Day](#) – 4pm to 6 pm

[Mackay Career Expo](#) 8:30am – 3:30pm

## QUT Open Day reminder

The easiest way to navigate their Open Day is with QUT's online planner. Create a schedule based on your interest areas and make sure you don't miss your favourite activities. Mobile access means you can keep your schedule in your pocket. QUT Open day is on 26 July from 9am - 3pm at both Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove campuses. [More info and personalised programer here.](#)

## Uni of Sunshine Coast (UniSC) Open Day

At UniSC's open day you will be able to attend:

- Info Sessions - Learn about entry pathways, how to apply and support services during 'Getting into uni' info session and explore the degrees you're interested in.
- The Hub - Talk one-on-one and get answers to your questions about everything else, like overseas study, scholarships, wellbeing support and more.
- Get Involved - Join a live recording session, see paramedic students in action and so much more.

Open Day dates are:

19 July - Moreton Bay campus: 9am - 1pm

2 August - Sunshine Coast: 9am - 1pm

[Find out more here including rego details.](#)

## UniSQ Open Day reminder

Thinking about Uni? Whether you have a career in mind or you're still exploring your options, UniSQ Open Day is a chance to check out the campus, explore courses and get a feel for uni life. [Find out more here and register for:](#)

- 8 August: Springfield: 9am - 1pm - Arts and communication, Aviation, Business, Education, Engineering and Surveying, IT
- 8 August: Ipswich: 9am - 1pm - Health, Law, Sport and Exercise Science, Social Work
- 15 August: Toowoomba: 9am - 1pm - Arts and communication, Aviation, Business, Education, Engineering and Surveying, IT, Law, Health, Sciences & Agriculture

## Private Provider Updates



### Australian Film TV and Radio School (AFTRS) key application dates for 2027 entry

Applications for the Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production close on Wednesday, 7 October 2026. Check below for other key dates:

29 June – Applications Open ([Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production](#), [Graduate Diploma in Radio and Podcasting](#), [Master of Arts Screen: Business](#))

8 August– Open Day (Sydney)

7 October– Applications Close [Bachelor of Arts Screen: Production](#)

13 October– Applications Close [Master of Arts Screen: Business](#)

3 November – Applications Close [Graduate Diploma in Radio and Podcasting](#)

### NIDA 2027 applications open

Applications are now open for the National Institute of Dramatic Art's (NIDA) Vocational Diplomas and Undergraduate Degrees for entry in 2027. The NIDA application process usually takes place over two rounds:

Round 1: Choose a course

Submit your application for a course

Round 2: Prepare for your audition/interview

Undertake audition/interview

Receive an offer

Click [here](#) to read more about the courses that are available, the application process, the audition process including tips and advice and the interview process. 2027 applications close 28 September 2026 but check their website (How to Apply) for [courses with alternate closing dates](#).

### NIDA Term 3 classes in Brisbane

The National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA) will be offering weekend and holiday workshops in Brisbane during Term 3 and Spring school holidays. [Find out more here](#) including dates and locations in Brisbane.

## Queensland School of Film and Television (QSFT) Workshops

[QSFT](#) invites students to the 'It' series of workshops covering many aspects of film production. For more information about the QSFT workshops, check out their [2026 Schedule](#).

## SAE University College

Thinking about studying creative media (Animation, Audio, Design, Film, Games, or Web & Mobile)? [Check out SAE University College's](#) courses, [book a campus tour](#), check out their facilities and equipment, meet with lecturers and ask any questions you might have about studying at SAE University College.

## SAE University College Early Entry Program

Get your plans sorted before exams with SAE's Early Entry Program. Secure a conditional offer for February 2026 and enjoy the rest of Year 12 with one less thing to worry about. Best of all, SAE courses don't require an ATAR for entry. [Find out more and how to apply here](#).

## The Hotel School's Insights into a 5-Star Career

Are you thinking of a career in tourism, in particular hotel management? The Hotel School delivers Southern Cross University courses and is the only hotel school in Australia formed through a unique partnership between a public university and a global hotel investment group. Click [here](#) to read about:

- Over 10,000 industry experience opportunities
- Campus locations
- Practical learning
- Alumni
- World rankings
- Academic Excellence

# QTAC & Tertiary Entry



## Key QTAC dates for 2026

### Key QTAC dates for 2027:

|                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday 4 August 2026 | Applications open: Start your 2027 QTAC Application.<br><br>ATAR Portal opens. (You MUST register on the ATAR Portal to have your ATAR calculated).<br><br>You'll need a personal email address, your Learner Unique Identifier (LUI), Date of Birth (DOB) and full name (as on QCAA/School record). |
| September 2026        | Fixed closing date for some Medicine/ Dentistry & Creative Arts programs - check on Uni websites                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 7 December 2026       | Due date to apply and submit documents for December offer round                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 18 December 2026      | QTAC ATAR release at 9am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 23 December 2026      | Early Offer Round                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 14 January 2027       | Major Offer Round                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

## QTAC Early Bird offer - DON'T Miss out!

You have to pay to put in a QTAC course application. Apply by 30 September 2026 to get the Early Bird fee of \$75. From 1 October 2026, the application fee increases to **\$159**. Your application includes **3 free course preference changes**. After that, each additional change costs \$75. [Find more info on QTAC's fees and charges and payment options here.](#)

## QTAC Myths vs Facts

There are plenty of myths about the ATAR—here are the facts!

- Myth:** Certificate I & II, IB, Music or Dance automatically count towards your ATAR.  
**Fact:** Your ATAR is based on General subjects, Applied subjects, and completed VET Certificate III or higher qualifications. You also need at least 4 General subjects
- Myth:** Some Maths or Science subjects scale better.  
**Fact:** No subject is guaranteed to scale better. Your ATAR depends on how well you perform compared with other students.

3. **Myth:** You can choose subjects that guarantee a 99.95 ATAR.  
**Fact:** There's no secret subject combination. The best way to maximise your ATAR is to do well in all your subjects.
4. **Myth:** You only get an ATAR if you apply to QTAC.  
**Fact:** If you're eligible and registered for an ATAR, QTAC will calculate it, even if you don't apply for university.
5. **Myth:** No ATAR means no university.  
**Fact:** Many courses have alternative entry pathways, including VET qualifications and pathway programs.

## QTAC Student Info Night Webinar

On 20 August from 6 - 7pm QTAC are hosting a student info night webinar. QTAC will walk you through key tips for a successful application. This session is perfect for students (and parents!) wanting to feel confident and prepared throughout the QTAC process. [Click here for more info and to register.](#)

## Studying the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma?

Universities that use QTAC accept the IB Diploma as an Australian Year 12 qualification. Your IB score (24–45) is converted into a QTAC Selection Rank using the national IB Admissions Score (IBAS), giving you an ATAR-equivalent rank. This National ATAR lets you compare fairly with other Year 12 students and apply for university anywhere in Australia with confidence. [Find out more here including:](#)

- The Combined Rank
- Releasing your results to QTAC
- Dates
- IB Consent Form
- How to get the link to the IBAS Consent Form
- Still have questions about IB?

## Term 3 – A busy time for Year 12!

If you're still deciding what to do after school, Term 3 is the perfect time to explore your options.

- **QTAC Guide:** Download the 2027 QTAC Guide from the QTAC website. It explains how to apply for 2027 courses.
- **Open Days:** Most university Open Days happen in Term 3. They're a great chance to explore campuses, chat with staff and students, and learn about courses.
- **QTAC Applications:** Applications for Semester 1, 2027 open on 4 August 2026. Check closing dates carefully, as some courses and scholarships close earlier.
- **ATAR Portal:** The ATAR registration portal opens on 4 August. You'll need your LUI (Learning Unique Identifier), Personal email address and full name to register.
- **Scholarships:** Most scholarship applications open in Term 3. Check university websites early, note the deadlines, and apply—even if you're not sure you'll get one!

## What subjects should I choose in Year 11?

The best subjects are the ones you enjoy, do well in and need for your future study or career goals (prerequisites). Choose subjects that match your strengths and any university prerequisites. Aim to do your best while still maintaining a healthy balance between school, hobbies and wellbeing. Remember, your ATAR is simply a ranking used for university entry—it doesn't measure your intelligence or ability to succeed at Uni or TAFE and definitely doesn't determine your future success.

# Study Skills and Wellbeing



## A GenZ snapshot

Gen Z's top hopes:

1. Own my own home
2. Have full financial freedom and independence
3. Travel and see the world

GenZ's top fears:

- I won't have enough money to live comfortably
- Never being able to buy my own home
- Being stuck in a job I don't enjoy or find fulfillment in

Focus, plan and work towards the positives and the worries will sort out themselves.

## Group assignments not it? Here's how to collab in the real world

Group assignments might not be your favourite part of School, Uni or TAFE, but teamwork is a skill you'll use in almost every job. Learn how to work well with others and make your next group project a success. [Find out how to make it work here:](#)

- What's my task again?
- What does success look like for you?
- Checking in
- Putting it on record

## How to stay motivated this semester

The Good Universities Guide has put together some tips on how to stay motivated for the rest of the school year. Written for uni students the tips are just as valuable for kids at school. [Read more about the following tips:](#)

- Think of the bigger picture
- Aim for a healthy balance
- Take things one step at a time
- Consider the positives
- Surround yourself with people who will motivate you

## The art of being a top-class listener

Think you're a good listener? Most of us do—but truly listening is a skill that takes practice. Research shows that listening can account for up to 40% of a leader's success. Learning to pause, hear different opinions, and really understand others can make you a better teammate, leader and communicator. [Find out more about active listening here, including:](#)

- Focus
- Put away your phone
- Ask good questions
- Use positive body language
- Don't pass judgement
- Keep your mouth shut

## Why am I so tired you may ask!

Feeling tired, stressed or always running out of time? You're not alone. Year13 explores some of the common reasons young people feel overwhelmed and why it can be hard to keep up with school, work and life. Click here to read the article. If you're finding things tough, talk to your school Guidance Officer/Counsellor or your GP—they're there to help. [Find out more of the following here:](#)

1. You're surviving on caffeine
2. You can't get a solid sleep
3. And even when you do rack up some hours, you still feel tired
4. You have no motivation
5. ou can't stay focused

And always remember, smart people ask for assistance in getting over life's hurdles ... team work makes the dream work :)



## Find out about TAFE's Bachelor of the Built Environment (Interior Architecture)

Want to know more about TAFE's Bachelor of the Built Environment (Interior Architecture)? Catch up with Tom, one of lecturers in built environment and a career architect. Tom talks about climate change and the impacts this has on the building design industry, with a particular focus of adaptive reuse and why this industry trend is important in today's environment. [Check out his video here](#) (scroll down).

## Free and reduced-cost training

The following programs help Queenslanders gain skills and qualifications for jobs that are in demand. [Find out more here including:](#)

- Career Start
- Career Boost
- Apprenticeship and traineeship funding
- Free training
- VET in Schools
- Skilling Queenslanders for work
- Diverse Queensland Workforce program
- Skills Assure
- Scholarships and financial support

## TAFE at School applications for 2027

Get career ready at high school with TAFE at School. If you're in Year 10, 11 or 12 you may be able to complete a TAFE Queensland qualification while you're still at school. Choose from a variety of Certificate I to Undergraduate Certificate courses from a range of study areas from construction to community services, hospitality to health care and everything in between!

How to apply? Most applications open on **3 August. It's 'first in best dressed' so put it in your diary and don't miss out - get in early!**

[Submit an application here](#). You need to apply yourself, your school can't do it for you but can help if you get stuck. You'll need:

- Your Learner Unique Identifier number (LUI) Don't know it? Ask your VET coordinator
- A Unique Student Identifier number (USI). Don't have one? [Apply here](#).

- The application code for the location and course you're applying for. [Check the local guide here](#) (scroll down)
  - Greater Brisbane - **applications open** 3 August 2026 - pages 59-67
  - Sunshine Coast and Wide Bay: **applications open** 3 August 2026 - pages 28 - 29
  - Gold Coast - **applications open** 3 August 2026 - pages 41 - 42
  - Darling Downs: **applications open** 3 August 2026 - pages 36 - 42
  - North Queensland: **applications open**:
    - online courses: 3 August 2026
    - in person: 17 August 2026 - pages 37 - 39

## TAFE Qualifications that will get you places

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

- Certificates
- Diplomas
- Degrees and higher-level courses
- Trade Qualifications
- Short courses and micro-credentials
- Pathways to university
- TAFE QLD English and Literacy Services

## VET qualifications for tertiary selection

A completed Certificate III or higher can help you get into university. It may count towards your ATAR or be used as a stand-alone qualification for entry to some courses (even if you don't have an ATAR). Universities may assign a Selection Rank based on your VET qualification level. [Click here to view the approximate Selection Rank](#) guide (scroll down). Entry requirements and prerequisites vary, so check with your preferred university and the QTAC website for the latest information.

## Why choose TAFE?

TAFE Queensland has more than 500 nationally recognised qualifications to choose from across 50 locations across the state and a variety of study modes available. You'll be able to study what you want to in a way that suits you. Click [here](#) to find a course that might meet your career pathway needs and to [find out more about studying at TAFE Queensland including](#):

- Purpose-built facilities
- Experienced teachers
- Course diversity
- Flexible study
- University pathways
- Support services



## Additional entry requirements for Nursing and/or Midwifery

To enrol in Nursing and/or Midwifery at any university you must meet the following educational requirements:

- **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.

- You are already **registered with AHPRA** as an Enrolled Nurse (EN), Registered Nurse (RN), or Midwife.
- If you do not meet the above criteria you will need to sit an approved **English language proficiency test**.

If you do not meet these educational requirements, you are required to provide evidence of an acceptable English Language test. Click [here](#) for more information (Scroll down).

## It's not just all about the courses!

Choosing the most suitable tertiary institution/university to attend is just as important as choosing the right degree for you. Check out the Queensland tertiary institutions below and work out which one fits you best:

[Australian Catholic University](#)

[Bond University](#)

[Christian Heritage College](#)

[Central Queensland University](#)

[Federation University](#)

[Griffith University](#)

[Griffith College](#)

[James Cook University](#)

[Queensland University of Technology](#)

[SAE University College](#)

[TAFE Queensland](#)

[The University of Queensland](#)

[Torrens University Australia](#)

[University of Southern Queensland](#)

[University of the Sunshine Coast](#)

## Pathways into Queensland universities

There's more than one way to get into university! Queensland universities offer a range of pathway options if you don't get the ATAR you were hoping for or prefer a different route. Explore the pathways offered by each university to find the option that best suits your goals and Year 12 results.

- Australian Catholic University - [Find your pathway](#)
- Bond – [Pathways into Bond](#)
- Christian Heritage - [Pathways and Credit Transfer](#)
- CQUniversity - [Entry pathways](#)
- Federation University – [Entry Pathways](#)
- Griffith University - [Admission Pathways](#)
- James Cook University - [Pathways to University](#)
- Queensland University of Technology - [Admission Pathways Guide](#)
- Southern Cross University - [Pathways to University](#)
- Torrens University - [University entry pathways](#)
- The University of Queensland - [Consider your pathway options](#)
- University of New England - [Entry Options](#)
- University of Southern Queensland - [Pathways to Uni](#)
- University of Sunshine Coast - [Uni pathways and bridging programs](#)

## Australian Catholic University

### Foundation Studies - a pathway to Uni

ACU's Foundation Studies Program could be your pathway to university. Open to Australian and international students, the program builds the skills and confidence you need for undergraduate study, with personalised support available whether you study on campus or online. [Find out more here including:](#)

- Course details
- Entry requirements
- Pathways
- Fees
- How to apply

## Pathway finder tool

Not sure how to get into ACU? Try the ACU Pathway Finder. Search by your study area or personal situation to discover the pathway options that could help you reach your degree. [Learn more here including access the Pathway Finder tool.](#)

## Updates to the Bachelor of Arts (Western Civilisation)

ACU have made some updates to their Bachelor of Arts (Western Civilisation) including:

- Offered at the North Sydney Campus
- Course details
- Entry requirements
- Pathways
- Fees
- How to apply

Click [here](#) for more information.

## Bond University

### Bond University Indigenous Scholarship

Bond Uni's Indigenous Scholarships aim to support Indigenous Australians by offering a tertiary education experience and pathways to future career opportunities. Applications are now open and close at 11:59pm on 31 August, 2026. Click [here](#) for more information including:

- Eligibility
- Application dates
- Value
- Level of study
- FAQ's

### Entry via a VET qualification

A completed Certificate IV or higher may help you get into Bond University. If you've completed a Diploma or Advanced Diploma, you could also be eligible for advanced standing (credit). If you have both an ATAR and a VET qualification, Bond will use whichever gives you the higher entry rank. [Find out more here.](#)

## Central Queensland University

### Open Day Online Chat Session

Thinking about studying at CQUniversity? Join an online chat to get your questions answered about courses, pathways, student support and more. How it works? Message the team on Facebook during the session for live answers and register to receive an SMS reminder before it starts. The session is on 23 July between 3 and 6pm and you can [find out more info and registration here](#).

### Some Admission Considerations

Find out about admission considerations that may be specific to you as well as helpful information to assist with your application and provide assurance that CQU can support your needs during your study. [Find the following information here](#):

- Entry requirements
- Indigenous support
- Elite sportsperson and/or performer support
- CM17 Bachelor of Medical Science (Pathway to Medicine)

### Student Accommodation

Moving away to study at CQU? On-campus student accommodation is available at the Mackay and Rockhampton campuses, with off-campus options also available. Finding the right place to live can make the transition to university life much easier. [Learn more about your options here](#).

## Griffith University

### Adjustment factors for Year 12 subject adjustment scheme including IB subjects

Boost your chances of getting into Griffith! If you pass eligible QCAA or IB subjects with at least a C in Units 3 and 4, you could receive 2 adjustment factor ranks for each eligible subject. These adjustments are automatically applied to your Selection Rank when you apply through QTAC for eligible Griffith courses in 2027. [Find the full list of eligible subjects here](#).

### Portfolio Application Information Webinars

For some degrees, Griffith use a portfolio admission process. Your portfolio helps you to showcase your creativity. A portfolio is a collection of your work and allows them to get to know you and is your chance to show them your skill, creativity, personality and potential. Admission to the [Bachelor of Animation](#), [Bachelor of Game Design and Production](#) and the [Bachelor of Film and Screen Media Production](#)

can be by portfolio or ATAR/Tertiary Rank. It is recommended to submit a portfolio and use your ATAR/Tertiary Rank as a backup entry option. [Find portfolio webinars for various GU degrees](#) including course info and applying via portfolio. Degree videos include:

- Bachelor of Visual Arts Application webinar
- Bachelor of Game Design and Production Application webinar
- Bachelor of Animation Application webinar
- Bachelor of Film and Screen Application webinar
- Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art Application webinar

### Thinking of applying to Griffith - get some valuable information

Year 12 students can apply for Griffith undergraduate degrees online through [QTAC](#) or [UAC](#). You can also search for more information on their [Degree finder](#). If you are an international student, visit [international applications](#). Click [here](#) to find information about:

- Admissions Pathways
- Undergraduate diplomas
- Things to consider:
  - Year 12 Early Offer Guarantee
  - ATAR Guarantee
  - Undergraduate diplomas
  - Prerequisite and assumed knowledge
  - All about your ATAR
  - Adjustment factors - location and equity - Year 12 subject adjustments
  - International Baccalaureate Diploma
  - Rural Priority Access Scheme
  - Bridging and enabling programs
  - VET Pathways
  - Study Uni while at school
  - Admission pathways
  - High achievers
  - Elite athletes
  - Scholarships
- Key dates
- Pathway options

## James Cook University

### Early Offer Program

You could receive an early offer to study at JCU. To be considered, ask your school to submit a recommendation and list JCU as your first preference in QTAC when applications open. [Find application details and key dates here](#).

## Upcoming webinars

JCU will be hosting the following webinars. Click [here](#) to find out more about and to register for:

30/07/2026 [QTAC Information Webinar](#) - Online

04/08/2026 [Exploring the World of Veterinary Science webinar](#) - Online

## Queensland University of Technology

### Adjustment schemes

You may be eligible for up to 10 tertiary rank adjustments through the following 6 adjustment schemes:

- Educational Access Scheme
- Regional and Remote Student Access Scheme
- Priority School Adjustment
- Elite Sport Entry Scheme
- Year 12 Subject Scheme
- First Generation Adjustment Scheme

[Find out more here.](#)

### Assumed knowledge and prerequisites

Most QUT courses don't require specific Year 12 subjects but some have assumed knowledge or prerequisites. If you're missing assumed knowledge, you can still apply but a bridging course is recommended. If your course has prerequisites, you'll need to have completed the required subjects (or equivalent). [Learn more about assumed knowledge, prerequisites and bridging options here.](#)

### Course updates within the Faculty of Health

Changes within the Faculty of Health have led to three courses being discontinued for 2027 entry:

- 425391 Bachelor of Health Information Management
- 425282 Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Public Health
- 425372 Bachelor of Public Health

Please note that the 2027 Study Guide was correct at the time of printing but does not reflect these recent changes to course offerings.

## Entry with performance qualifications

Non-AQF Performing Arts qualifications can give students a selection rank for entry to QUT courses.

| Qualification | Selection Rank |
|---------------|----------------|
|---------------|----------------|

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| AMEB: Fellowship (F Mus A) | 87 |
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| TCL: Fellowship Diploma (FTCL) |  |
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| AMC: Licentiate Diploma | 86 |
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| AGM: Licentiate Diploma (LAGM) |  |
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| AMEB: Licentiate (LSDA or L MusA1) |  |
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| TCL: Licentiate Diploma (LTCL) |  |
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[Find out more info here](#) along with other qualifications that will award tertiary adjustments here (scroll down to Performance Arts qualifications) here.

## New Bachelor of Arts

The world today is shaped by forces like AI, digital technology and global challenges. Young people need skills that help them navigate and influence this environment. The new [Bachelor of Arts](#) at QUT is designed for students who want to understand how technology, society and culture are changing the world around them. With a guaranteed work placement and a choice of ten exciting majors, students will graduate ready for the real world. The new Bachelor of Arts, as well as a double degree with law, will be available for entry from Semester 1, 2027.

## QUT Open Day

QUT Open Day is on 26 July at Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove campuses. You can chat to staff and students from all study areas about courses, careers and uni life. Explore their campuses, labs, studios and facilities. [Students can register now and go in the draw to win a MacBook.](#)

## Upgrading pathways: recommendations

| Preferred course                               | Upgrading pathway                   |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Clinical exercise physiology                   | Sport and exercise science          |
| Medical imaging*                               | Pharmacy Podiatry Science (Physics) |
| Radiation therapy*                             |                                     |
| Nutrition science/Master Nutrition & Dietetics | Nutrition science                   |

|                                               |                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Optometry*                                    | Biomedical science Medical laboratory science Podiatry |
| Pharmacy                                      |                                                        |
| Paramedic science                             | Nursing                                                |
|                                               | Clinical exercise physiology                           |
| Architectural design                          | Diploma in Architectural Studies                       |
| Business –International                       | Business                                               |
| Business/Law                                  |                                                        |
| Data science                                  | Information technology                                 |
| Engineering                                   | Diploma of Engineering                                 |
| Engineering vertical double degrees           | Engineering- relevant majors                           |
| Information technology/Master of Data Science | Information technology                                 |
| Law                                           | Justice                                                |
| Mathematics                                   | Data science                                           |
| Science / Master of Data Science              | Science                                                |

\* Not part of the offer guarantee/will need to reapply through QTACA

[Click here for further info on upgrading pathways.](#)

## Southern Cross University

### Indigenous Australian Student Services

The Indigenous Australian Student Services (IASS) unit provides support and guidance to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying, or looking to study at SCU. The unit provides a wide range of information, advice and support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in a culturally appropriate, safe, friendly and supportive environment. Click [here](#) to find out more about their services including:

- Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme
- Indigenous Scholarships
- Alternative Pathway: Testing & Assessment
- Indigenous Social & Emotional Support

# The University of Queensland

## Adjustment factors

UQ offers a maximum of 5 adjustments across several admission schemes that will boost your ATAR/Tertiary Rank and assist you in getting into your preferred degree. You may be eligible for adjustments if you:

- attend a specific school
- live in a rural or remote area
- are experiencing financial disadvantage
- are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- are studying certain subjects in high school (such as a language or Specialist Mathematics).
- complete a university course/subject while still at school

Click [here](#) to find out if you are eligible.

## How does Uni accommodation work?

Moving to Brisbane for Uni? There are lots of accommodation options, from fully catered colleges to independent living. This guide explains what's available, when to apply, what to bring and how to choose the option that's right for you. [Find out more about:](#)

- What is University accommodation?
- How to apply for University accommodation
- How to pay for University accommodation
- When do you move into University accommodation?
- What to buy for University accommodation?

## Key Dates not to be missed!

- 30 September: QTAC Rural Access Scheme (RAS) - submission deadline for Provisional MD and MMedSci/MD applicants
- 6 August }
- 13 September } [CASPER](#) Test dates for Veterinary Science entry
- 8 October } You must register at least 3 days prior to sitting any test date
- 19 November }
- 30 September: QTAC Application Fixed Closing Date for Provisional MD and BMedSci/MD
- 30 October: QTAC Application Fixed Closing Date for Veterinary Science

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

Medicine Provisional Entry (Pre-offers) are merit based and ranked using your results as follows:

- 50% MMI (Multiple Mini Interview)
- 25% UCAT score
- 25% Adjusted ATAR (minimum 95.00)

Successful applicants typically have a median UCAT of 3110 and an adjusted ATAR of 99.95. If you don't qualify for provisional entry, you can complete a [recommended bachelor's degree](#) first and then apply for the [graduate-entry medicine pathway](#) in your final year. You can meet the other requirements for this pathway (e.g. subject prerequisites) while you complete your bachelor's degree.

## Senior Subject Selection Guide

So, you've been asked to create a SET plan and you're interested in studying at university – maybe even at The University of Queensland (UQ). If you have questions check out the [UQ Senior Subject Selection Guide](#) for Year 10 students and find out about:

- Prerequisites
- How does this all relate to my SET plan?
- Does this mean I need to settle on a degree now?
- So, I can just study English or Literature and I'll be good to get into a UQ Degree?

There is also a great section - Match your interests with potential degrees that will help you see how your interests and skills can link to degrees.

## UQ College Face to Face bridging courses

Need to meet a UQ subject prerequisite? UQ College is offering a 4-week intensive bridging course in Mathematical Methods, Biology, Chemistry or Physics. Applications close 9 November, with classes starting 23 November. [Click here for more information](#) and how to apply.

## UQ Ready

Join UQ for an informative night and find out all the info you need for a smooth transition from high school to university. [Upcoming evening in August](#) is in Mackay on 5 August 2026 from 5:30 - 7pm at Harrup Park Mackay. What's involved:

- Get advice on preparing for university.
- Understand the QTAC process, from application to offer.
- Hear about our diverse student support services, including mentoring, accommodation, neurodiversity support and more.
- Learn how to enrol and plan your timetable.
- Get tips for successfully transitioning from school to university.
- Hear about UQ's vibrant and inclusive campus culture.

The information will be valuable to any high school student looking to go to any university.

## University of the Sunshine Coast

### High Performance Student Athlete program

If you are an elite athlete, UniSC can assist you to manage your study and sporting commitments. Do your research to see if you are eligible for their program. High Performance Student Athletes (HPSA's) receive the following personalised support and exclusive benefits:

- Special entry to degree programs
- Academic support
- Sport support
- Scholarships and financial assistance
- How to apply
- Eligibility

Click [here](#) to find out if you are eligible and ways you can apply.

## Upcoming Events

| Date       | Event                                                             |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 15/07/2026 | ADF: Maroochydore Aviation Careers Information Session            |
| 15/07/2026 | Toowoomba Careers Expo;                                           |
| 15/07/2026 | UQ's Economics Schools Day                                        |
| 16/07/2026 | ADF: Logistics, Hospitality & Support Careers Information Session |
| 16/07/2026 | SCCE Gap year info session                                        |
| 17/07/2026 | Brisbane Tertiary Studies & Careers Expo TSXPO                    |
| 17/07/2026 | UNE Early Entry Round 1 applications closes                       |
| 17/07/2026 | UQ Experience Geographical Science morning                        |
| 18/07/2026 | TSXPO Day 2                                                       |
| 19/07/2026 | University of Sunshine Coast Moreton Bay Open Day                 |
| 20/07/2026 | ADF: Beaudesert Defence Careers Information Session               |
| 21/07/2026 | ADF: Townsville Aviation Careers Information Session              |
| 21/07/2026 | James Cook University Townsville                                  |
| 21/07/2026 | JCU Emerald Open Day                                              |
| 21/07/2026 | Sunshine Coast Careers Expo                                       |
| 22/07/2026 | ACU Guarantee Early Offer, Entry Programs and Pathways Webinar    |
| 22/07/2026 | ADF: Cairns Aviation Careers Information Session                  |
| 22/07/2026 | UQ World Religions Experience Day 2026 Day 1                      |
| 23/07/2026 | ADF: Gold Coast Aviation Careers Information Session              |
| 23/07/2026 | CQUni Open Day Online Chat Session                                |
| 23/07/2026 | UQ World Religions Experience Day 2026 Day 2                      |
| 24/07/2026 | James Cook University; Cairns Open Day                            |
| 25/07/2026 | Bond University Open Day                                          |
| 26/07/2026 | QUT Open Day                                                      |

|            |                                                             |
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| 27/07/2026 | ADF: Brisbane Aviation Careers Information Session          |
| 27/07/2026 | ADF: Rockhampton Trade Careers Information Session (PACC)   |
| 30/07/2026 | CQUniversity (Mackay) Open Day                              |
| 30/07/2026 | JCU QTAC Info Webinar                                       |
| 31/07/2026 | Australian Mathematics Competition entries close            |
| 31/07/2026 | Young ICT Explorers comp submissions due                    |
| 01/08/2026 | Brisbane Broncos Sport Business Institute Open Day          |
| 01/08/2026 | ReelOzInd – Short film competition close                    |
| 02/08/2026 | UniSC Open Day Sunshine Coast campus                        |
| 04/08/2026 | JCU Exploring the World of Veterinary Science webinar       |
| 04/08/2026 | QTAC 2027 applications open                                 |
| 04/08/2026 | QTAC ATAR Portal opens for rego                             |
| 05/08/2026 | Mackay UQ Ready session                                     |
| 06/08/2026 | CASPER Test for Veterinary Science entry optional test date |
| 08/08/2026 | UniSQ Ipswich Open Day                                      |
| 08/08/2026 | UniSQ Springfield Open Day                                  |
| 15/08/2026 | UniSQ Toowoomba Open Day                                    |
| 20/08/2026 | QTAC Student Information Night 2026 webinar                 |
| 21/08/2026 | Australian Informatics Olympiad (AIO) entries close         |
| 22/08/2026 | JMC Open Day Brisbane                                       |
| 31/08/2026 | Bond Uni Indigenous Scholarship close                       |