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2025 CAREERS INFORMATION BULLET

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Career Week

National Careers Week 2025 will be held from May 12 to 18. This week-long event is designed to celebrate career development, provide resources for exploring career paths and connect individuals with industry experts. It's a great time to explore different career options, connect with professionals and learn about careers and jobs. Check out what's on in your school and community - being informed is being confident.

Joke of the fortnight

I became an archaeologist. Before long, my career was in ruins.

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\$10,000 incentive payments for housing construction apprentices from July 1

From 1 July 2025, eligible apprentices working in housing construction will receive \$10,000 in incentive payments over the life of their apprenticeship. Apprentices will receive \$2,000 at 6, 12, 24, 36 months, and at the completion of their apprenticeship. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

Apprenticeship Central

Did you know there are over 500 apprenticeship and traineeship qualifications in over 50 different industries? Whether you want to work in an office, construction site, design studio, hospital or a farm, you can follow your dreams through a traineeship or apprenticeship. Apprenticeship Central has information that can help you find your career pathway! An apprenticeship or traineeship allows you to learn while you earn. Click <u>here</u> for more information including answers to the following questions:

- What happens in an apprenticeship or traineeship?
- How long does an apprenticeship or traineeship take?
- Is an apprenticeship or traineeship right for me?
- Looking for an apprenticeship or traineeship?

Apprenticeship Support Australia

Apprenticeships and Traineeships are a great way to set yourself up for the career you want. They allow you to combine work and study and gain a nationally recognised qualification whilst earning. Apprenticeship Support Australia provides information, opportunities and support if you are considering taking up an Apprenticeship or Traineeship. Click on the links below for more information.

- Mentoring and Support
- <u>Should I start an apprenticeship or traineeship?</u>
- How Much Will I Get Paid?
- <u>Complaints Handling Process</u>
- <u>Code of Conduct</u>
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Australian Apprenticeship Support Loans (AASL)

The Australian Apprenticeship Support Loans (AASL) is available to all apprentices and trainees in occupations on the Priority List. It provides income contingent loans of up to \$25,374 in 2024-25 to help apprentices and trainees meet day to day costs while undertaking their studies.

- The measure also enables backdating of payments to provide immediate support to recipients. Australian Apprentices do not have to repay the loan until they are earning an income above the minimum repayment threshold (\$54,435 for 2024-25).
- Australian Apprentices who complete their apprenticeship will receive a 20% discount on the loan amount. In order to maintain the real value of the loan, the loan amount will be indexed according to the Consumer Price Index annually.
- On 3 November 2024, the Australian Government announced changes to income contingent student loans, including Australian Apprenticeship Support Loans. Anyone with a student loan, including a AASL debt will have their debt reduced by a further 20% before 1 June 2025, when indexation is applied. The ATO will apply these changes. For more information visit Higher Education Loan Program (HELP) - Department of Education, Australian Government.

Click here for more information.

Looking for information about apprenticeships and traineeships?

Apprenticeship Central is a job search site where apprentices and employers can connect. Its aim is to provide a space where you can search for opportunities and connects job seekers with employers. If you are looking for an Apprenticeship or Traineeship you can register and be notified of current vacancies. The <u>website</u> has a Resources section where you can find information on creating a resume, videos and blogs, what's your best career fit and frequently asked questions.

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Australian Defence Force

Australian Defence Force Information Sessions

Stay informed about important upcoming Queensland and National ADF events <u>website</u> and information sessions by visiting the ADF Defence Jobs or the ADF <u>Facebook site</u>. Upcoming events are:

06/05/2025	Cairns Defence Careers Information Session	
	Bundaberg Defence Careers Information Session	
	Toowoomba Defence Careers Information Session	
	Maroochydore Defence Careers Information Session	
07/05/2025	Defence Careers Information Session	
08/05/2025	Townsville Defence Careers Information Session	
	Hervey Bay Defence Careers Information Session	
	Brisbane Trade Careers Information Session	
12/05/2025	Dalby Trade Careers Information Session	
	Brisbane Army Careers Information Session	
13/05/2025	Greenbank A Night in the Army Reserve	
	Stanthorpe Defence Careers Information Session	
	Gold Coast Army Careers Information Session	
14/05/2025	Townsville Army Careers Information Session	
	Warwick Defence Careers Information Session	

Maroochydore Army Careers Info Session

20/05/2025 <u>Toowoomba Army Careers Information Session</u> <u>Roma Defence Careers Information Session (MACC)</u> <u>Emerald Trade Careers Information Session</u>

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Want to become an ADF Pilot?

Certain roles in the Army and Air Force are grouped within pathways. You start out as an officer, learning world-class leadership and management skills. As you progress through training and assessment, a combination of your job preference, performance and position availability determines which pathway and the specific role you're best suited to. The Officer Aviation career specialisation refers to a group of air and ground-based aviation roles that sit within 2 pathways: Mission and Pilot. The application process for all roles is the same - you apply as Mission or Pilot and you find out which career pathway you've been chosen for as your application progresses, based on a combination of your job preference, performance and position availability. Click here to find out more.

Work experience program

The Defence Work Experience Program provides young Australians interested in Defence as a future career, the opportunity to find out more about the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and the Australian Public Service (APS). For queries about the Defence Work Experience Program, email

Defence.WorkExperienceProgram@defence.gov.au Click <u>here</u> for more information on the Defence Work Experience Program including:

- Find a placement
- Information for students
- Information for parents
- How to apply
- Student experiences

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Career Exploration

Careers with STEM online magazines

The Careers with STEM <u>website</u> has information on all things STEM ... and it's not all about being great at Maths either! Check out the 'Find My STEM X' section <u>here</u>. You'll see how you can combine Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths (STEM) with your other passion or hobby (X), and discover your dream career! Find out how you can combine STEM with areas of interest such as:

- Animals
- Business
- Creativity
- Crime and Justice
- Cyber Security
- Design and construction
- Disaster management

... and much more. Click <u>here</u> to see where STEM + Passion/hobby can take you.

Getting career ideas

Not sure what jobs might suit you? A career quiz could help you identify pathways options. Quizzes usually asks you questions about your interests, values and preferences. Some quizzes then give you a list of jobs that might interest you, that you can then investigate. There are many tests to choose from including:

- Online career quizzes use your answers to match you to jobs that might suit you.
 - o These quizzes are short and aim to open your mind to new career possibilities.
 - Some career quizzes give you a summary of your answers at the end. You can use the results to describe yourself (your strengths, interests and values) to employers in your applications and at interviews.
- **Psychometric tests** measure how well you will suit a particular role. They test whether your personality and strengths match the traits needed in the job. Employers sometimes ask job seekers to complete a psychometric test as part of their recruitment process.
- Aptitude quizzes can help you figure out if you have the literacy and numeracy skills required for a role.

Click <u>here</u> to find Job Jumpstart's career research tools that will help you get started.

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Healthcare is everywhere!

Healthcare is Everywhere is an interactive online 'activity' that will help broaden your understanding of healthcare. It highlights the variety of career opportunities and you can zoom in, scroll around exploring a hypothetical city and rural community, discover the range of health services, career opportunities and what they do at work. It's easy, click on the red markers to find out what health care jobs are located in that workplace. Give it a go <u>here</u>!

How knowing your values can positively impact your career

Values influence the career choices we make, but what exactly are values and how can you identify the values that are important to you - those that will positively impact your career? Sabina Read identifies some common values to help you start thinking about what's important to you. Ask yourself which of the listed values are important to you and whether there are any you want to add.

- Adventure: To actively seek, create, or explore novel or stimulating experiences
- Assertiveness: To respectfully stand up for my rights and request what I want
- Authenticity: To be genuine, real to be true to myself
- Caring: To be considerate towards myself, others, the environment
- Challenge: To keep encouraging myself to grow, learn, improve
- **Cooperation:** To be cooperative and collaborative with others
- Creativity: To be innovative
- Curiosity: To be open-minded and interested; to explore and discover
- Fairness: To be honest with myself and others
- Humour: To see and appreciate the funny side of life
- Independence: To be self-supportive, and choose my own way of doing things
- **Open-mindedness:** To see things through/from other's points of view, and weigh evidence fairly
- Powerful: To strongly influence or wield authority over others, e.g. taking charge, leading, organising
- **Respectful:** To be thoughtful towards myself or others; to be polite and show positive regard
- Self-development: To keep growing, advancing or improving in knowledge, skills, character, or life experience
- Supportiveness: To be helpful, encouraging and available to myself or others
- Trustful: To be loyal, faithful, sincere and reliable

Skillsroad - a career exploration website

<u>Skillsroad</u> has many activities that can help you get started on your career exploration. They include:

- <u>Career quiz</u> The Career Quiz is a self-assessment tool that will help identify key personal skillsets and helps you understand your work values in order to help you find careers that are best for you.
- <u>Careers</u> Learn about the career planning journey, explore industries and workspaces and discover careers you may never have considered to help you determine your career goals.
- <u>Job fit test</u> Find out how ready you are for a specific career. We will ask you some specific questions about the careers you are interested in and we will tell you what you need to do to get started.
- <u>Jobs</u> Search for and apply for jobs to help you on your career journey.

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The site also provides a resume template, training workbooks, career advice and more. Check it out!

Thinking of going to uni? Read this first!

Job Jumpstart has an interesting article highlighting the reasons why you need to fully investigate your pathway options after school to make sure that the one you choose is a good fit for you and your career ideas. If you are considering a university pathway you might want to read their article <u>Thinking of going to</u> <u>uni? Read this first!</u> The article isn't advocating not to go to university, rather that it is wise to go to university for all the right reasons. The article prompts/helps you to answer the following questions:

- 1. Why am I going to university?
- 2. Is this course right for me?
- 3. Which university is right for me?
- 4. Will I get a job when I finish?

Want to be a submariner?

Ever wondered what jobs are available in the submarine sector. The following links will give you some idea of what the industry is looking for:

- <u>Australian Navy Submariner Jobs</u> Navy training will equip you with everything you need for Submariner roles in leadership, technical support, engineering, communications, logistics or catering. Check out the 12 jobs listed <u>here</u>.
- <u>ASC careers</u> Opportunities to work on Australia's sovereign submarine program, Apprenticeship program, Undergraduate program and Graduate program (click on videos and they will play)
- Seek https://www.linkedin.com/home- a list of jobs currently being advertised

A note: The above are just three links to jobs in the submarine building industry to get you started on your research. Being a submariner may not be your thing but there are many 'on land' jobs that may be of interest. Check them out and reach a well-researched deciding.

Which high school science elective should you choose?

If science is your thing it'd be cool to study every unit on the syllabus but often timetable clashes mean choosing just one or two specialisations. <u>Careers with STEM</u> has some ideas to help you narrow it down including:

- Quizzes you might like to take!
- Choosing electives
- About Careers with STEM

NOTE: These quizzes and articles are just one way for you to work through your subject selection process. Always check in with your Guidance Officer/School Counsellor, VET Co-ordinator, Subject Heads and Teacher. They can also give you some very valuable insights.

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2025 Young ICT Explorers competition

Young ICT Explorers is a competition in which school students submit an information and communication technologies (ICT) related project. Projects can be submitted individually or in teams of up to four Students. You have until 1 July 2025 to register and until 31 July 2025 to submit your project report - click <u>here</u> for more details. Judging will occur from August through to October. Projects could include a mobile phone application, computer game, website, digital art, robot, short film or animation. Visit the Young ICT Explorers <u>website</u> for details. Ask a teacher to register your school if you want to participate in this competition.

Are you a keen photographer?

If you are a keen photographer there are many competitions that you can enter. Amateur Photographer has a list of 2025 photography competitions. Click <u>here</u> to check them out including eligibility, entry details, prizes, timelines etc.

Bond University Film and Television Awards (BUFTA) Short Film Competition

Bond University Film and Television Awards (BUFTA) is a short film competition for aspiring filmmakers from Years 11 and 12. There are 9 categories in the competition – Animation, Art Film, Comedy, Documentary, Drama, Experimental, Music Video, Sport Film and International. Entries are now open and close on 15 September 2025. Visit the <u>BUFTA website</u> for competition and application details and to view the 2024 BUFTA entries. Scroll down and find their 'top tips for entering BUFTA'. Also check out the right-hand side navigation bar.

Griffith University's Score It: Film scoring competition

Griffith Uni is again hosting a high school film scoring competition in 2025. Students are invited to submit an original score for an animation created by Griffith Film School students. The most promising submission will be performed by a chamber orchestra during a bespoke evening event at the Conservatorium 6 November, 2025. Click <u>here</u> for more information and entry details. The competition closes on 20 June 2025.

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Disabilities

Welcome to JobAccess - your guide to disability employment

JobAccess is the national hub for workplace and employment information for people with disability, employers and service providers. Created by the Australian Government, it brings together the information and resources that can 'drive disability employment'. Along with this website, there is:

- a telephone advice line (<u>1800 464 800</u>)
- the Employment Assistance Fund (EAF) for workplace modifications and support
- An employer engagement service the National Disability Recruitment Coordinator (NDRC)
- <u>Complaints Resolution and Referral Service</u>
- National Disability Abuse and Neglect Hotline

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

- Workplace assessment
- Modifications and adjustments
- Rights and responsibilities
- Help to find a job
- Financial assistance

myWAY Employability supporting Autistic young people

Leaving school is a time of uncertainty for most young people as they face important future life decisions. For many Autistic young people, not knowing what the future holds can be downright scary for them and their families. <u>myWAY Employability</u> is a smart web platform that helps Autistic young people take control of their future. To read the blog post, click <u>here</u>.

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Employment, Job and Labour Market Info

How employers recruit

Research shows that employers value different qualities at different stages of the recruitment process. An employers' focus often shifts from an applicant's experience and qualifications at the application stage to whether the applicant has the right approach and attitude to work and is a good cultural fit to their business at interview. However, qualifications and experience continue to be important at the interview stage if you are applying for a position requiring specific skills. Understanding these differences can help job seekers write a good application or prepare for their job interview. During the application stage employers look for:

- Relevant work experience and skills
- Qualifications and licenses
- Availability
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Willingness to learn

During the interview stage they look more for:

- Approach and attitude to work
- Cultural fit
- Skills, knowledge and experience
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Personal values

Click <u>here</u> to find out more.

Knowing about labour market information is important

To make good career decisions for the future, you need to have some idea of the employment prospects for the jobs you are interested in. The following resources can be helpful in this process:

- Jobs and Skills Australia Industries and Occupations Explore the latest trends and insights into Australia's job market by occupation and industry.
- Jobs and Skills Australia website The <u>Skills Priority List</u> webpage on this site identifies the areas of skill shortage nationally and by state/territory. It also provides skill shortage information by occupation.
- Jobs and Skills Australia provides advice on Australia's labour market, including advice on workforce needs and priorities and current, emerging and future skills and training needs and priorities (including apprenticeships)

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• **Graduate Careers Australia** – This <u>website</u> provides a range of graduate-related publications and research on topics such as salary trends and graduate employment opportunities.

Occupation information - Boiler and engine operators

Boiler or Engine Operators operate and maintain stationary engines, boilers, refrigeration and air conditioning systems and associated mechanical plants. Their main tasks are:

- Maintains supply of solid, liquid or gas fuel to boiler
- Maintain required level of water in boiler and controls draught
- Clean and maintain boiler and work area

Click <u>here</u> to find out more.

Terminology - What are sectors, industries and career fields?

The world of work influences how you think about, choose, develop and change your career. You need to understand the world of work before you choose a career path. Click <u>here</u> and find out about sectors, industries and career fields. It will help you understand them and make your career research that little bit easier.

Understanding the Australian Skills Classification

Hays is a recruitment company and they have published the Understanding the Australian Skills Cloudification article. Click <u>here</u> to check it out as they explain:

- What is the Australian Skills Classification?
- Skills categories
- Core competency values
- Specialist tasks
- Skills clusters and skills cluster families
- Technology tools
- Why do we classify skills?

What are skills' clusters?

According to the Australian Government Jobs and Skills Australian <u>website</u>, skills clusters show clusters of jobs requiring similar specialist tasks. They are another way of looking at the labour market, showing how skills are related and connected to one another and are not just connected to a specific job. It's a new way to explore skills transferability. Skills clusters do not take into account qualifications, registration or licensing required to undertake certain tasks. Click <u>here</u> to read about the 7 skill clusters as identified by Foundation for Young Australians.

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Why people skills matter

People skills which were once called soft skills, are personal attributes that enable someone to interact effectively and harmoniously with other people. Unlike hard skills, which are about a person's skill set and ability to perform specific tasks, people skills are interpersonal and broadly applicable in all aspects of life. These include:

- Communication: The ability to express oneself clearly and listen well.
- Teamwork: Working effectively with others.
- Problem-solving: Finding solutions to challenges.
- Time management: Efficiently managing one's time.
- Adaptability: Being able to adjust to new conditions.

Click <u>here</u> to read the LinkedIn's article that goes into more detail about why People Skills matter and the importance of advocating for People Skills Development

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John Eales Rugby Excellence Scholarship

As a proud supporter of Rugby Australia and the Wallabies, Bond University has joined forces with the former Wallabies Captain, John Eales AM, to present this full-fee sporting scholarship. It provides an opportunity for outstanding rugby union players to be mentored by one of rugby's most prolific leaders. The scholarship offers full tuition remission for any single undergraduate or postgraduate degree. Recipients will also receive a cash bursary and one-on-one mentoring sessions with John Eales for the duration of the scholarship. Applications close on 31 July, 2025. Find out more <u>here</u>.

National Council of Women of Queensland (NCWQ) bursaries for female students

The NCWQ has launched its 2025 Bursary Program for female students. Visit the <u>website</u> for more information and to download the application form. Applications are now open and close on 2 June 2025.

Scholarship options in Australia

Scholarships come in many shapes and sizes, some of which cover tuition fees (in part or full), some of which cover living and accommodation expenses and some of which cover the whole lot or provide a stipend that students may use as they see fit. Similarly, some may cover students for the duration of their course, while others only cover students for a year or require them to reapply. The most important thing to remember is that competition is often strong. It's best not to rest all your hopes on obtaining a scholarship, and it's worth considering back-up options. This includes applying for Government allowances and investigating scholarships that will be available in the next application period. Many scholarships are available to students in their second and subsequent years of study, so keep an eye out for such alternatives. Click here to read the Good Universities Guide's Scholarship options in Australia article which has information on:

- Federal government scholarships
- Student Start-up Loans
- Relocation Scholarships
- Education provider scholarships
- Academic scholarships
- Equity scholarships
- Other education provider scholarships
- Private organisation scholarships

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First Nations Peoples

Aurora scholarship portal

The Aurora Indigenous pathways portal has over 500 scholarship opportunities that are available for First Nations Peoples. The <u>portal</u> also provides information on how to:

- Browse and filter to find scholarships right for you
- Save and compare potential opportunities
- Understand next steps and how to apply for scholarships
- Apply for scholarships online

Scholarships for First Nations Peoples

<u>Bond University scholarships</u>, offers 50% of tuition fees for successful applicants applying for diploma programs, undergraduate degrees including approved combined programs up to 320 credit points (excluding the Medical Programs). For those relocating to the Gold Coast and live in on-campus accommodation, the scholarship also provides a one-semester living bursary that includes a meal plan. Applications for 2025 scholarships are open and close on 28 August 2025.

<u>UQ</u> offer a range of potential scholarships for future undergraduate students. You can access their Scholarship <u>webpage</u> (scroll down) and use the filters to identify those available for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

<u>Griffith University</u> have a variety of scholarships open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. These range from academic, accommodation and sporting scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate students.

<u>QUT scholarships</u> can help you achieve your best through financial support, work experience and exciting networking opportunities. Find the scholarship that takes your success to the next level, some of which could be <u>Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships</u>

<u>USQ offer scholarships</u> to support you through your tertiary studies.

<u>University of Sunshine Coast</u> have scholarships and bursaries that provide financial support throughout your studies to relieve financial pressures and allow you more time to focus on your study.

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Rotary Youth Exchange

Rotary Youth Exchange is an opportunity to live in another country learn a new language, discover another culture and truly become a global citizen. Exchanges for students ages 15-19 are sponsored by Rotary clubs in more than 100 countries. Long-term exchanges last a full academic year and students attend local schools and live with multiple host families. Short-term exchanges last from several days to three months and are often structured as camps, tours or homestays that take place when school is not in session. Click <u>here</u> for more information including how to apply.

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JMC Academy holiday workshops

JMC Academy's September school holiday workshops are a great way to dive into the creative industries and explore if this is an area that you have an interest in. You can sign up and receive the latest information on upcoming workshops designed to inspire and enhance your creative skills. You can find out more and register <u>here</u> and stay up to date with their September holiday programs.

Mater Education hands-on holiday program

Mater Education's High School Health Adventure program is a 2 day program held during the school holidays is for those interested in a career in healthcare. The hands-on program covers basic health understanding of anatomy and physiology, offering the experience to manage patients requiring basic CPR, life support and emergency response and other medical procedures such as surgery and childbirth. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

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ANU Early Offer application help

ANU have an application process that incorporates applying for a Degree program, accommodation and scholarships in the one application. Click <u>here</u> and watch their Early Offer application break down video. Early Offer applications close on 15 May.

Study & Play USA opportunities

Are you competitive in rowing, rugby, golf, tennis, cross country, soccer, volleyball, basketball, water polo, track and field, swimming, baseball, softball and want to study in USA? Study & Play USA can provide information on:

- Academic assessment
- The process
- Personalised advice & planning
- Scholarships
- Frequently asked questions

Click <u>here</u> to do a free assessment, book a meeting or for more information.

The University of Sydney

The University of Sydney was founded in 1850 on the land of the Gadigal people. Progressive thinking, challenging the status quo and improving the world around us is in their DNA. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- Their campuses
- Facilities and schools (study areas)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community

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World Science Festival Brisbane (WSFQ)

The WSF is up and running holding various workshops and activities in regional Queensland. Activities are designed for various age groups. Click <u>here</u> to find out what's happening in your neighbourhood including:

- Chinchilla
- Gladstone
- Townsville

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Open Days, Expos & Career Markets

Brisbane Careers & Employment Expo

The Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo is on, from 12 to 14 June at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre. It is for school students, parents, teachers, graduates, job seekers, people looking for courses and workers seeking new training options. There will be over 160 organisations and employers with career opportunities for all ages and entry's Free. You will be able to:

- Find various career pathways
- Gain Free Career Advice
- Discover Jobs of the Future
- Experience the Free Career Seminars
- Enjoy the WorldSkills National Championships and Try'a Skill Zones
- Find your Ideal Role at the ADF Careers Expo

Expo opening hours are 9am to 4pm every day. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

Griffith Uni Creative Arts Open Day - A reminder

Explore a world of creative expression and innovation, as we showcase our vibrant community of artists, designers, performers, filmmakers and more. Get involved in interactive workshops, exhibitions, tours and demonstrations across a spectrum of disciplines—from visual arts and design, to music, performance, film and screen. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about the Griffith University's Creative Arts Open Day and to reserve your place.

Mater Education Townsville Open day

Register for Mater Education's Townsville Open Day in May and find out about their healthcare career pathways, including:

- Our signature 18-month Diploma of Nursing program
- <u>High School Health Adventure</u> program for students in Years 10-12
- Vocational Education and Training In Schools (VETiS) program for students in Years 10-12
- Mater Mothers' First Aid for Babies

The Open day will be held on 24 May from 9am - 11am at the Mater Private Hospital. Click here to register.

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May Career Expos and Market Days

- 7 May Bundaberg Careers Expo
- 13 May Gladstone Careers Expo
- 14 May <u>St George and Surrounds Career and Job Expo</u> Biloela Careers Market Day
- 14-15 May Gold Coast Careers Festival
- 15 May Rockhampton Careers Expo Maranoa Careers Expo Roma
- 16 May Emerald Careers Expo
- 18 May Griffith University Creative Arts Open Day
- 31 May Endeavour College of Natural Health Open Day
- 4 June Fraser Coast Careers Expo

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Private Provider Updates

Accredited Courses at Perform Australia

If you're looking to become a professional actor, Perform Australia's qualifications in acting may be of interest. Located in St Lucia, Brisbane, you can prepare yourself for industry in as little as five-months full-time study in the 10915NAT Certificate IV in Acting. The 11017NAT Advanced Diploma of Performance with a further 18 months full-time actor training will further develop your skills. They also have a pathway to a university degree in acting at the Australian Performing Arts Conservatory (APAC). They offer a dual focus both screen and stage acting, to ensure you are ready to work across the theatre, film and television industries with confidence. Click here for more information.

Basair Aviation College

Basair Aviation College offers Year 10, 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study the following courses:

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

Mater Education opportunities

Mater Education have opened their Diploma of Nursing program intakes at both South Brisbane and Pimlico campuses. During the hands-on, 18-month course, students learn best-practice clinical skills while studying and training in a world-class clinical simulation facility. Click <u>here</u> to find out more and you may want to contact them to find out information about their Diploma of Nursing starting at the beginning of 2026.

The Hotel School Australia

The Hotel School delivers Southern Cross University courses specialising in the Tourism, Hotel Management, Hospitality and Events industries, delivered in Brisbane and the Gold Coast. Applications are not based on your ATAR score but on individual merit. They review your academic record and any relevant work experience to assess your suitability to undertake studies at the tertiary level. If you meet The Hotel School's requirements, then you will be invited to a face-to-face interview where they can discuss your career

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ambitions and aspirations, as well as answer any questions you have about studying at the school or a career in the hospitality and tourism industries. Click <u>here</u> for more information including:

- Undergraduate courses
- Key dates
- Fees and financing
- Scholarships
- International applications

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QTAC & Tertiary Entry

2024/2025 QTAC offers insight

QTAC, as of January 2025, made 47,000 (school leavers and non-school leavers) offers, an 8.8% increase on 2024. Top 5 fields of Education offered by QTAC in January 2025 offer round:

- 1. Health (e.g Pharmacy, Veterinary Science, Naturopathy, Speech Pathology) with 5838 offers
- 2. Society and Culture (e.g. Law, Economics, Psychology, Sport & Recreation) with 2115 offers
- 3. Natural and Physical Sciences (e.g. Mathematics, Physics, Laboratory Technology) with 1787 offers
- 4. Management and Commerce (e.g. Hospitality Management, Banking & Finance) with 333 offers
- 5. Engineering (E.g. Chemical, Automotive, Civil, Aerospace, Biomedical, Surveying) with 910 offers

Click <u>here</u> for more information about offers made in 2024/2025 admissions period.

How are Assistance schemes and Adjustment Factors linked?

Adjustment Factors can increase your chances of entry into university courses. If you are eligible for Adjustment Factors through one of the Assistance schemes, your position on the merit scale for entry into a course will be 'adjusted' to give you a new, more competitive score.

Universities award Adjustment Factors for a variety of reasons and programs, so you will have to enquire to every university you are interested in attending, to fully understand their eligibility requirements. The process for applying for 'Adjustment Factors' may vary, so it's important that you start your research now. Visit the QTAC website for information on the following Assistance schemes:

- Elite Athlete Adjustment Scheme
- Financial assistance
- Educational Access Scheme (EAS)
- Rural Access scheme

Other Special admission schemes include:

- Year 12 subject scheme
- Access and equity schemes
- Regional preference schemes
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander schemes

Check out the Universities you are interested in for more information on these schemes.

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Queensland ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank)

Not sure what ATAR is all about? QTAC have an ATAR section where you can find answers to the most common questions that students and parents have. Click <u>here</u> to check out the information including:

- ATAR and Year 12
- What is the ATAR
- Breaking down the ATAR
- Adjustments and selection rank
- ATAR appeals
- ATAR verification
- Ready to receive your ATAR? How to register to have your ATAR calculated

Year 12: Time is passing quickly - time to start organising

Time is moving quickly and you should be starting to seriously research your course preferences for your QTAC application. If you haven't a clue where to start or aren't aware of your options, make an appointment with your School Guidance Officer/Counsellor ASAP. Some opportunities to assist you are:

- From May to September most of the Institutions have open days where you can get information about courses and check out the campuses.
- You will receive the *QTAC Guide* in June/July or be able to access it online through the QTAC website. It contains information about courses you can apply for through QTAC as well as the application processes.
- 19 20 July 2025 <u>Tertiary Studies Expo</u> (TSXPO) at the RICC Brisbane Showgrounds. Interstate universities will be represented at this Expo.
- From August 2025, you can access a range of up-to-date information about the 2025/26 QTAC application and offer processes and the courses offered from the <u>QTAC website</u>.
- 12, 13 & 14 May 2025 <u>Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo</u> at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre. Also, careers' expos will be held in regional centres throughout Queensland.

Take advantage of all these opportunities to plan your immediate future. 30 September 2025 is the final date to apply for some courses through QTAC and is the end of the Early Bird application fee window. When you get your 2026 QTAC book, check it carefully for critical dates. You can also find the 2026 Guide online through the QTAC website when published.

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Queensland Curriculum & Assessment Authority

Certificates and qualifications

The Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) is the body that awards successful students with their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) or the Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA). To find out more about these qualifications visit the <u>QCAA website</u> where you will find information on the QCE including:

- About the QCE
- QCE eligibility and requirements
- QCE Achievement Awards
- Recognised studies
- Learning accounts
- Transfer students and the QCE
- QCE resources
- QCE and QCIA handbook
- Senior Education Profile
- Replacement copies of certificates
- Queensland Certificate of Individual Education

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8 Things Taken for Granted in Year 12

Study Skills and Wellbeing

Year 12 is a crazy time in every student's life. From the stress of exams, the mix of impatience and anxiety to graduate, and the bubbling social scene of 18ths, formals, and grad ceremonies, it really is one big whirlwind that can pick you up and spit you out, wondering what on earth just happened. There are times when you'll want to run away and start a new life overseas and times when you'll want to curl up in a ball and cry. But there are also once-in-a-lifetime experiences and opportunities that you'd be crazy to want to miss. Here are eight of them. Click here to read what the year 13 article has to say about:

- Freedom within responsibility
- Seeing your friends every day
- Having teachers who genuinely care
- Sneaky celebrations
- Productivity
- Formal celebrations
- The end of an exam block
- Schoolies

Free app to help you manage the stress of Years 11 and 12

Senior studies can be stressful especially around exam time and assignment due dates. Having stress management strategies to call on when needed is essential, not just for this year but for your future success and happiness in studies and living. The <u>Smiling Mind app</u> will get you started on learning and implementing useful strategies. The app is free and is a modern meditation program that guides you through a series of exercises. Visit the Smiling Mind <u>website</u> for more information. Always remember, reach out to your Guidance Officer, School Counsellor, parents or GP if you are not coping or feeling very stressed out.

Three ways to build wellbeing

Conversations about wellbeing tend, more and more, to focus on the pressing need to address burnout, stress and becoming overwhelmed. This is no easy task. There are certain things that you can do in order to build your wellbeing. It is crucial for workplaces, (school and study are your workplace), to strike a balance between maintaining business purpose and impact (academic success and progression) and ensuring and strengthening the wellbeing of staff/students. It is important that individuals do the same. Click <u>here</u> to consider the three fundamental pillars when thinking about updating or developing approaches to sustaining purpose and enhancing wellbeing:

• Intention: A proactive and strategic approach

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- Customisation: Tailoring wellbeing to support your needs
- Flexibility: Responding to life while maintaining wellbeing

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TAFE Queensland Updates

New facilities and programmes

Through the National Skills Agreement, the Australian Government has partnered with States and Territories to establish nationally networked TAFE Centres of Excellence to deliver a skilled workforce for strategically important industries.

Cyber and Robotics Training Centre: developing the workers for the future from the South Bank campus.

<u>TAFE Centre of Excellence - Health Care and Support:</u> developing innovative health care training solutions to address critical skills gaps in health care and delivery.

<u>TAFE Centre of Excellence - Clean Energy Batteries</u>: developing targeted training solutions for the rapidly growing clean energy battery technology sector.

<u>Academy of Sport</u> - Broncos, QLD Rugby, Brisbane Lions, Bullets, Qld Cricket, Hockey Queensland, Gymnastics QLD: Undertake code specific training in an industry setting with real-life integrated learning.

North Queensland locations and courses on offer

The North Queensland region stretches from the Whitsundays in the South to Ingham in the North and as far West as Mount Isa. It includes the regional area of Townsville, the shire of Burdekin and smaller rural towns including Charters Towers, Bowen and The Gulf. TAFE have campuses in:

- Bowen and Burdekin: Offer a range of practical courses catering to the local community needs and interests.
- Charters Towers: located at the Dalrymple Trade Training Centre
- Cloncurry and Ingham: located in the main street
- Mount Isa located just off the Barkly Highway 5 minutes from the town centre
- The Gulf: Offers a quiet outback lifestyle and delivers carefully selected courses that meet the needs of the local community
- Palm Island: Offers courses designed to meet the needs of the Islands' residents
- Townsville (Pimlico): Located 10 minutes from the city centre
- Townsville (Trade Training Centre Bohle): State-of-the-art facility training more than 2,000 apprentices annually
- Whitsundays: Located in Cannonvale

Click <u>here</u> to find out more about each of the campuses along with what courses they offer.

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Study your way - Jake Granville

TAFE Queensland offers a great deal of flexibility around footballer, Jake Granville's work and life commitments. He says that he's had a really positive experience studying at TAFE Queensland thanks to the great practical training opportunities and the support and encouragement of his teachers." Click <u>here</u> to read more of Jake's story and see if TAFE is a good fit for your career pathway next year.

TAFE at School mid-year intake

If you're a Year 10, 11 or 12 student you can complete a TAFE Queensland qualification while you're still at school. Start studying mid year and choose from a variety of Certificate I to III courses across a range of study areas from hospitality to health, creative to construction and more. Click <u>here</u> to find out:

- How it works
- TAFE st School guides
- Open up pathways to TAFE and University
- How to apply
- What it costs

And click here to find out:

- Benefits of starting mid-year
- Featured courses

Applications close around mid July but places fill quickly. Talk with your Guidance Officer/ School Counsellor or VET Coordinator for assistance.

Thinking about TAFE?

TAFE Queensland is offering around 400 courses across the State during 2025. Courses range from Certificate III, Diplomas, Advanced Diplomas, Undergraduate Certificates, Associate Degrees and Bachelor Degrees. TAFE offers a huge range of tertiary course opportunities and you can check them out <u>here</u>. Some popular courses in Semester 1 2025 were:

- Diploma of Nursing
- Diploma of Leadership and Management
- Cert IV Veterinary Nursing
- Building and construction
- Cert IV Information Technology
- Cert III Hairdressing
- Cert III Individual Support
- Cert II Horticulture
- Cert II Electrotechnology

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What TAFE can offer you

Not sure which pathway to travel down when you leave school? Have you checked out these helpful TAFE Queensland resources?

- Explore our study areas
- Where you can study
- <u>Course types</u>

Getting started ...

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Universities

2026 Undergraduate Study Guides now available

It is good to start your research early when considering studying at Uni or TAFE. The following are links to each University's 2026 undergraduate guide. In the guides you can find information about:

- Undergraduate courses on offer in 2026
- Minimum thresholds and prerequisites required for each degree or TAFE course
- Accommodation options
- Student support
- Scholarships
- And much more

Australian Catholic University

Central Queensland University - Click on Course Directory

Griffith University

James Cook University

Queensland University of Technology

The University of Queensland

University of Southern Queensland – Click on 2026 Undergraduate study guide

University of Sunshine Coast - Click on 2026 Study Guide

SAE University College - Click on Courses on top navigation bar

Southern Cross University

TAFE Queensland

Torrens University

International students wanting to study at a university

If you are needing to gain the prerequisite of English and/or may not achieve a pass in a Senior English subject at the end of 2025, you could sit and gain an appropriate grade in one of the following tests:

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IELTS – International English Language Testing System

TOEFL – Test of English as a Foreign Language

Pearson – Pearson Test of English

Some specific health related courses may require students from a non-English speaking background to pass one of the above tests in order to gain professional registration. Each university has its own English proficiency requirements so check with each institution's policies as to what qualifications they will accept.

Study Assist - Compare courses

There are lots of options available to you when you decide you want to start higher education study. Courses may differ depending on which university or higher education provider offers them. This could include differences in the course content, course location or cost of the course. You need to do your research to make sure you find the course that is right for you. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about:

- Course level
- Course costs
- Course mode how it's offered
- Type of institution
- Student experience and graduate outcomes

Tertiary study enrolment essentials: Tax File Number and Unique Student Identifier

Year 12 students planning to go to university should apply early for a <u>Tax File Number (TFN)</u> and a <u>Unique</u> <u>Student Identifier (USI)</u>. To be eligible for HECS-HELP or FEE-HELP (Commonwealth assistance), students must provide a TFN and a USI on their Commonwealth Assistance Form once they become a student. All universities and TAFE Queensland require you to have a TFN and USI and you can read more about <u>HECS-HELP</u> or visit the government StudyAssist <u>website</u>.

Australian Catholic University

Talk with Nutrition, Exercise and Sport Professionals

A career in nutrition, sport or exercise science will allow you to help people achieve peak performance and optimal health and wellbeing. ACU is hosting a webinar where you can hear from ACU students and alumni about their experiences. Take part in a Q&A session about where a career in nutrition or sport and exercise science could take you. Click <u>here</u> to find out more and to register.

Uni Step-Up – Study Uni subject in Year 11

Uni Step-Up is your chance, in Yr 11, to experience university life by studying two first year units while you are still in school. You'll get a head start on university, develop connections with current university students and staff and study at a university level. Uni Step-Up is delivered in two formats, an on-campus program is delivered during the Winter and Summer school holidays and an online program for regional students. You can study in the Nursing Midwifery and Paramedicine and Criminology areas. Click <u>here</u> to find out more information including:

- Why study Uni Step-Up?
- Program offerings (click on Brisbane)
- Who can apply for Uni Step-Up
- What can I study?
- How to apply (applications for Semester 2 close on 1 June 2025)

Bond University

Entry for current Australian Year 12 students

If you are a current Year 12 student and you successfully complete Year 12 with a final minimum score of ATAR 91.00 (OP 5 or IB 33) or equivalent, you could be guaranteed admission into any undergraduate program other than the Medical Program, provided that any additional admission requirements for that program, such as prerequisite subject grades, have also been met. Click <u>here</u> for more information and application details.

Central Queensland University

Skills for Tertiary Education Preparatory Studies (STEPS) Term 2 information session 1

Are you unsure whether you will meet the entry requirements or need to meet prerequisite subjects for entry into your desired degree? CQUni's <u>(STEPS)</u> course is an option to build your confidence and help you succeed at university. STEPS is a FREE, Centrelink approved enabling course to help you gain the necessary skills, knowledge and confidence for university entry. They will be holding a Zoom session on 11 June where you can find out more about the STEPS course. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register (click on Events and key dates).

Griffith University

Bachelors in Music, Musical Theatre and Acting offered at the Queensland Conservatorium

If you are considering studying Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Musical Theatre or Bachelor of Acting you should be starting to get organised regarding your 2025 application. There are auditions and interviews

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required as a prerequisite for these courses and more information will be on their <u>website</u>. The steps to apply include:

- 1. Apply to QTAC by 29 August 2025
- 2. Pay your audition fees through GriffithPAY
- 3. Submit a recorded audition/folio and supporting documents

Click here for more information about audition requirements, audition video tips and to register for updates.

Guaranteed Admission Schemes

To take some of the stress out of applying to university and provide more certainty about future study choices, Griffith Uni offers a range of guaranteed admission options including:

- <u>Year 12 Early offer</u> Use your internal Senior Schooling results to receive your early offer by applying to one of more than 70 eligible undergraduate degrees.
- <u>Head Start</u> Leverage your successful completion of a Griffith University Head Start program course to claim your spot in a variety of undergraduate degrees.
- <u>VET</u> Take your vocational education and training qualifications further with our guaranteed entry pathway into a broad set of undergraduate degrees.

Head Start (formally GUESTS) applications due for Trimester 2 close

Study at Griffith while you finish high school and gain credit transfer towards a degree by joining their Head Start program. The program is designed to give you the opportunity to study a course (subject) at Griffith while completing your high school studies. The program is free and lets you sample university life at Griffith, learn from industry leaders and stretch your academic boundaries. Click <u>here</u> for more information, eligibility and how to apply. Trimester 2 applications are now open and close on 23 June 2025.

International students studying Year 12 in Australia

If you are an international student studying your Senior in Queensland and have questions about studying at Griffith, contact <u>Griffith International</u>. They will provide you with expert advice, international student brochures and information-packed presentations.

Study a uni subject/course while still at school

Griffith University's Head Start to University program gives you the opportunity to study a course (subject) at Griffith while still at school. It's a free program letting you sample university life, learn from industry leaders and stretch your academic boundaries. If you are a motivated student consider applying for a Head Start to University on-campus or online course. There are over 60 courses/subjects to choose from and if eligible you can complete up to two courses while at school. You can commence from Semester 2 of Year 11. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about eligibility, application process and see your Guidance Officer/School Counsellor for more information. Your school must support your application. Semester 2 applications close on 23 June.

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Queensland University of Technology

2026 study guides

If you are wanting to check out QUT's study guides where you will find a full range of courses, campus information, online study, opportunities you'll have as a student and how to apply. Guides that are available include:

- Explore our 2026 Study Guide
- A quick guide to QUT
- START QUT
- International Baccalaureate students

Click <u>here</u> to register for electronic copies and you can get hard copies from their stand at TSXPO, Open Day and regional career expos. Be informed!

A reminder - QUT High School Moot Competition

The QUT High School Moot Competition is an opportunity for Year 11 and 12 students to engage with law at a university level. In teams, you are provided with a fictional client problem and must prepare arguments to present in front of real-world lawyers and judges. Registrations close on 11 June and click <u>here</u> for more information and application details.

Bridging programs

Do you need a prerequisite for a course you are interested in? QUT offers bridging programs in General Maths and Maths Methods. Semester 2 program registration closes on 17 June. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

Course Updates

The following are current QUT updates for 2026:

Business

The following are changes to QUT's offerings within the Faculty of Business:

- Bachelor of Business (Deans Scholars) discontinued
- Bachelor of Property Economics double degrees with business, law, data science, built environment
- New vertical double with Master of Data Analytics

Communication

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New majors:

- Digital advertising
- Community and public relations
- Journalism
- Media and communication industries

Engineering

New Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)/ Master of Project Management (subject to final approval)

Joining the current suite of:

- Master of Advanced Manufacturing
- Master of Data Analytics
- Master of Renewable Energy
- Master of Robotics and AI
- Master of Sustainable Infrastructure

Creative Industries and Creative Arts

The Bachelor of Fine Arts is now named the Bachelor of Creative Arts and has the following majors:

- Acting (audition)
- Animation
- Contemporary art
- Creative writing
- Dance
- Drama
- Film and screen
- Music

The Bachelor of Creative Industries will have the following major options:

- Creative and professional writing
- Creative technology
- Fashion communication and sustainability
- Screen industries

Science

Bachelor of Science has a new Climate Science major [not included in the Bachelor of Science (Advanced)]

New vertical doubles:

- Bachelor of Information Technology/ Master of Data Analytics
- Bachelor of Mathematics/ Master of Data Analytics
- Bachelor of Science/ Master of Data Analytics

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Entry requirement update for international students

To meet the minimum entry requirement to degree courses, international students must have completed Year 12 in Australia and have **one** of the following:

- an ATAR
- an International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBD)
- a Vocational Education and Training (VET) qualification completed at school (Certificate IV or above)
- completed START QUT (two units).

Students will need to meet course thresholds, subject requirements and any additional entry requirements where applicable. Non-permanent visa holders are considered international students. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

IT, Maths and Data Science careers webinars

QUT will be hosting the following free webinars:

28/05/2025 Maths and Data Science Careers - 12pm: Hear from professionals and students who have turned their passion for problem-solving into careers that are saving the environment with data, improving outcomes in cancer research and optimising complex transport systems. Click <u>here</u> to find out more and to register.

11/06/2025 Information Technology Careers - 6pm: Hear IT industry leaders, academic experts and QUT graduates share insights into industry trends and careers. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

Open Pitch Nights

QUT Entrepreneurship's Open Pitch Nights held on the first Wednesday of every month, are an opportunity for people with an idea to pitch for feedback, to practice or ask for a new team member or investment. Everyone is welcome to participate either as a spectator or to pitch. Open Pitch Nights include QUT students, alumni and staff as well as the wider startup community. Click <u>here</u> for more information and to register.

QUT Sport Tech Challenge

QUT will be hosting their 2025 QUT Sport Tech Challenge on 6 June! You will be able to experience emerging sport technology and engage in friendly competition with other local schools. Held at the QUT Gardens Point campus, it integrates STEM education with hands-on experiences in esports, virtual and augmented reality, sport simulation and live streaming. You will receive mentoring from QUT students with a strong focus on eSafety and governance, in a safe and informed setting. Opportunities are available for schools to join online as well. Click here for more information and to register or contact esports@qut.edu.au.

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The University of Queensland

Junior Physics Odyssey

The Junior Physics Odyssey (JPhO) is a four-day (non-residential) program during the school holidays held at UQ St Lucia campus for Year 10 students with an interest in physics, science and mathematics. The program aims to develop your problem-solving skills as well as an appreciation and understanding of physics. Applications are now open and close on 9 May. Click <u>here</u> for more information and application details.

Provisional entry into Medicine update

If you're in your final year of high school (Queensland Year 12 or equivalent), you can apply for the Provisional Entry pathway. The minimum entry requirements for this pathway are:

- Queensland Year 12 English or equivalent
- an adjusted ATAR 95.00 or equivalent or higher
- a competitive <u>University Clinical Aptitude Test for Australia and New Zealand (UCAT ANZ)</u> aggregate score from the year you apply
- a multiple mini interview (MMI).

You'll need to sit the UCAT ANZ before you apply. The minimum required UCAT ANZ aggregate score depends on the performance of applicants and available places in the MD program. This score varies each year and can't be determined in advance. UCAT has a significant impact on whether you gain a place in the provisional entry program so you need to study, practice and ask for assistance when necessary.

After you apply, if you're eligible for the next stage, you'll be invited to an MMI. Meeting the minimum entry requirements does not guarantee admission.

Sustainable energy programs – live Q&A webinars

UQ will be hosting an information webinar to learn more about UQ's Sustainable Energy programs on 22 May from 4 to 5 pm. During the webinar they will:

- Explore current trends in sustainable energy
- Discover the key program features, including study options, structure, employability and networking opportunities
- Learn about eligibility, entry requirements and how to apply
- Hear about our intensive study mode and how to plan your studies
- Engage in an interactive Q&A with the presenter and ask any questions you might have about your future studies and career

The webinars will be recorded. Click here for more information and to register.

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UQ Ready information evenings

UQ is hosting an in person or online information night that will provide you with everything you need for a smooth transition from high school to university. Click <u>here</u> for upcoming events and registration:

12/05/2025 Gladstone 5:30 - 7:00pm Gladstone Events Centre, Event Room 5 <u>Corner Wood and Bell</u> <u>Streets, South Gladstone</u>

13/05/2025 Gold Coast 5:30 - 7:00pm Broadbeach Cultural Centre <u>Hooker Boulevard and Sunshine</u> <u>Boulevard, Broadbeach Waters</u>

14/05/2025 Rockhampton 5:30 - 7:00pm Rural Clinical School Lecture Theatre <u>78 Canning Street, The</u> <u>Range</u>

University of Southern Queensland

Drop-in session - Springfield campus

Find out about your career options <u>university degrees</u> and courses by going to the <u>Study at UniSQ Drop-in</u> <u>Session</u> on 7 May between 5pm - 7pm at their Springfield campus. You will be able to ask all your questions in-person, speak with Degree and Career Advisors or find out how to apply to UniSQ. Click <u>here</u> for more information and registration details.

Thinking about UniSQ?

At the University of Southern Queensland, they focus on empowering you to make a real impact and embrace the unexpected journey ahead. Click on the links below to find out how and why UniSQ may be a good fit for your success including:

- <u>Transformative programs</u> their degrees
- <u>Unmatched support</u> guidance and encouragement
- <u>Ways to study</u> a timetable to suite your life
- Entry points entry pathways

UniSQ's Career Guide

Be prepared for your future career and choose from more than 110 UniSQ degrees available on-campus and online. With flexible ways to study, you can tailor your university degree to fit in with your lifestyle. Click <u>here</u> to find out more about the courses they have on offer within specific study areas, an area overview, study options, and some jobs that are associated with a particular degree.

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Career planning tools that may assist you

The following are some career exploration activities and resources that can help you in your career research.

- *My Brilliant Career Profiler* This is a fun questionnaire that identifies your personality and matches it with USC courses you might enjoy. You can find it on the <u>USC website</u>.
- USC Career Directory This <u>directory</u> can be of help when you know the career you want but don't know what USC course you can do to get there.
- *Parent Lounge* This <u>webpage</u> has heaps of resources that parents can use to support their children as they transition to university study.

Headstart applications closing soon

A reminder that UniSC's Headstart Semester 2 applications close on 9 May. Click <u>here</u> for more information and application details.

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Upcoming Events

Date	Event
06/05/2025	ADF: Bundaberg Defence Careers Information Session
06/05/2025	ADF: Cairns Defence Careers Information Session
06/05/2025	ADF: Maroochydore Defence Careers Information Session
06/05/2025	ADF: Toowoomba Defence Careers Information Session
06/05/2025 to 07/05/2025	Business School Year 12 Extension Program
06/05/2025	QUT Accounting Challenge submissions close
06/05/2025	UQ Ready info session Bundaberg
07/05/2025	A Quick Guide to QUT webinar
07/05/2025	ADF: Defence Careers Information Session
07/05/2025	ANU Talk with Occupational Therapists and Speech Pathologists webinar
07/05/2025	Bundaberg Careers Expo
07/05/2025	QUT Quick Guide to QUT for Yrs 9 & 10
07/05/2025	UniSQ Drop-in session - Springfield campus
08/05/2025	ADF: Brisbane Trade Careers Information Session
08/05/2025	ADF: Hervey Bay Defence Careers Information Session
08/05/2025	ADF: Townsville Defence Careers Information Session
09/05/2025	Junior Physics Odyssey applications close
09/05/2025	UniSC Semester 2 Headstart applications close
10/05/2025	QUT BlueShift competition Champions' round
11/05/2025	Sunshine Coast Art Prize entries close
12/05/2025	ADF: Brisbane Army Careers Information Session
12/05/2025	ADF: Dalby Trade Careers Information Session
12/05/2025	UQ Ready information session
13/05/2025	ADF: Gold Coast Army Careers Information Session

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13/05/2025	ADF: Greenbank A Night in the Army Reserve
13/05/2025	ADF: Stanthorpe Defence Careers Information Session
13/05/2025	ANU Talk with Psychologists and Social Workers webinar
13/05/2025	Gladstone Careers Expo
13/05/2025	UQ Ready Gold Coast
14/05/2025	ACU: Maroochydore Army Careers Info Session
14/05/2025	ADF: Townsville Army Careers Information Session
14/05/2025	ADF: Warwick Defence Careers Information Session
14/05/2025	ANU Talk with Nutrition, Exercise and Sport Professionals webinar
14/05/2025	Biloela Careers Market Day
14/05/2025	Gold Coast Careers Expo
14/05/2025	St George and Surrounds Career and Job Expo
14/05/2025	UQ Ready Rockhampton
15/05/2025	2025 Maranoa Careers and Jobs Expo
15/05/2025	2025 Maranoa Careers and Jobs Expo
15/05/2025	ANU Direct Entry applications close
15/05/2025	ANU Early Offer applications close
15/05/2025	Capricorn Mega Careers Expo
15/05/2025	Gold Coast Careers Festival
16/05/2025	Emerald Careers Expo
16/05/2025	Experience UQ Skills day Gatton
16/05/2025	UCAT ANZ applications close
16/05/2025	What Matters? writing competition closes
18/05/2025	GU Creative Arts Open Day
24/05/2025	Mater Education Townsville Open day
28/05/2025	QUT Information Technology Careers free webinar
30/05/2025	UCAT ANZ late applications close
31/05/2025	Endeavour College of Natural Health Open Day
01/06/2025	ACU Step-Up Study Uni Subject Sem 2 applications close
02/06/2025	NCWQ bursaries applications close
04/06/2025	Fraser Coast Career and Industry Showcase

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05/06/2025	Griffith Uni GFS Experience Week registrations close
06/06/2025	UCAT ANZ final late applications close
11/06/2025	CQUni STEPS online session
11/06/2025	QUT Information Technology Careers free webinar
11/06/2025	QUT High School Moot Competition registrations close
17/06/2025	QUT Sem 2 bridging program applications close
19/06/2025	Opti-Minds Creative sustainability Challenge registrations close
20/06/2025	GU Score It: Film scoring competition closes
21/06/2025	Engineering, Design and Computing School Holiday Program applications close
23/06/2025	GU Head Start Semester 2 applications close
23/06/2025	Head Start Semester 2 applications close
29/06/2025 to 02/07/2025	FEAST 2025
30/06/2025 to 04/07/2025	QUT Future You Summit 2025
30/06/2025 to 01/07/2025	UQ's Biology Winter School, Year 11

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