



# **FUTURES HUB** *Newsletter*

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## THE FUTURES HUB LUNCHTIME TALKS DURING FIRST BREAK IN A101

**MONDAY 8 JUNE**

Students, join us in A101 (Futures Hub)  
for a general presentation on Gap Year programs in North America



It will be starting at the beginning of first break  
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## Apprenticeship Central may have your pathway!

Whether you dream of working in an office, on a construction site, in a design studio, hospital or on a farm, an apprenticeship or traineeship could help you get there. With Apprenticeship Central, you can learn on the job while earning an income. [Find out more about:](#)

- What apprenticeships and traineeships involve
- How long they take
- Whether they're right for you
- Finding apprenticeship and traineeship opportunities
- BUSY Sisters Mentoring

## Types of apprenticeships and traineeships

When Australian Apprenticeships talks about apprenticeships, it includes both apprenticeships and traineeships. Both let you earn while you learn, combining workplace training with study through a registered training organisation. The main difference is the financial support available, which can vary depending on where you live and the qualification you're completing. [Click here to learn more about:](#)

- What's the difference between an apprenticeship and traineeship?
  - Australian Apprenticeships
  - Australian School-based Apprenticeships
  - Pre-apprenticeships
- How to find and prepare for your apprenticeship

## What kind of problem solving will you be doing as an Apprentice or Trainee

Want to see the kind of problem-solving skills used in different trades and industries? Try these downloadable quizzes. They aren't formal career assessments, but they can help you explore your interests and give you ideas for further career research. [Click here to find industry area quizzes and](#)



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[related job examples](#). Apprenticeship and Traineeship quizzes are grouped into the following industry areas:

- Agriculture, Animals & Conservation
- Automotive, Transport & Maritime
- Business and Financial Services
- Construction & Electrical
- Creative & Beauty
- Digital Technology & Telecommunications
- Energy & Utilities
- Food & Wine Processing
- Health and Community Services
- Resources, Mining & Processing
- Retail, Hospitality & Recreation
- Manufacturing & Production
- General or non-industry based



# Australian Defence Force



## Australian Defence Force information sessions

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

- 03/06/2026 [Toowoomba Defence Careers Information Session](#)  
[Townsville Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 04/06/2026 [Brisbane Defence Careers Information Session](#)  
[Maroochydore Defence Careers Information Session](#)
- 09/06/2026 [Loganlea A Night in the Army Reserve](#)  
[Gold Coast Army Special Forces Information Session](#)
- 10/06/2026 [Brisbane Army Special Forces Information Session](#)
- 11/06/2026 [Maroochydore Army Special Forces Information Session](#)
- 16/06/2026 [Caboolture A Night in the Army Reserve](#)
- 17/06/2026 [Cairns Women in Defence Information Session](#)  
[Gold Coast Women in Defence Information Session](#)

## Can't make it to an ADF information session near you?

The following are links to ADF video sessions that contain valuable information that will assist you in your career research:



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- [ADF Careers Information session](#)
- [RMC Information Session](#)
- [Army Reserve Information Session](#)
- [Army General Entry Information Session](#)
- [Navy Officer Information Session](#)
- [Navy Technical Trades Information Session](#)

## Defence 2026 Gap Year opportunities

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

- What is an ADF Gap Year?
- Gap Year benefits
- Gap Year stories
- What an ADF Gap Year is like?
- Applying for a GAP Year
- Available Gap Year roles

## Thinking about the Air Force?

A career in the Air Force could see you working on the ground, in the air or even in the space sector. You'll use advanced technology in a range of roles, from monitoring satellites to helping develop new space-based capabilities with Defence Space Command. [Check out the following here:](#)

- Defending Australia and Its Interests
- Peak strategic capability
- A force for protection, rescue and disaster relief
- Up there? You'll go further
- What we do
- Aircraft
- Mission Control

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

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

- [Australian Defence Force Academy](#)
- [Army – Officer Training](#)
- [Use a Degree](#)
- [Defence University Sponsorship](#)
- [ADF Reserves](#)
- [Ready for a new challenge](#)



# Career Exploration



## A place to start your career research

Sign up for a [free myfuture account](#) and have career information sent straight to your inbox. By choosing to receive updates, you'll get the latest information on careers, courses, study pathways, subject choices and open days to help with your career research and future plans.

## Discover My Career

The Discover My Career tool was specifically designed to help you narrow down all the different variables so you can feel confident in your decisions. Since its creation almost 30 years ago, this tool has proven to be 85 to 90 percent reliable. [You can access Discover My Career through TAFE Queensland here.](#)

## How AI is changing the jobs of the future

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is already changing the way we live, learn and work. From self-driving cars to AI-generated images and smart healthcare, it's becoming part of everyday life. AI is also creating new jobs and changing industries fast. Australia's National AI Strategy predicts AI could add up to \$315 billion to the economy by 2030, meaning there'll be lots of new career opportunities and skills in demand. [Have a read of myfuture's article](#) which provides info on:

- How AI is changing industries
- AI is changing jobs—And also creating new ones
- How AI is changing traditional careers
- How you can prepare for an AI-powered future
- The future of work is AI + human skills
- The key takeaway?



## Know your work preferences

Understanding yourself is an important part of career decision making and planning. Thinking about your interests, strengths and work preferences can help you identify jobs and workplaces that suit you. Ask yourself:

- Do I prefer working indoors or outdoors?
- Do I enjoy working alone or with others?
- Am I more creative or analytical?
- Do I like hands-on tasks or research and theory?

To learn more about your work preferences, try the following easy-to-complete workbooks:

- [Interactions I like](#)
- [Places I like to work](#)
- [Work tasks I prefer](#)

## Occupations V Industries

An occupation is the type of job a person does, such as a doctor, teacher or cabinet maker. An industry is the area of the economy where they work, such as healthcare, construction or hospitality. Many occupations can be found across different industries. For example, cooks work in restaurants, but also in hospitals, childcare centres, aged care facilities and the Defence Force. Understanding this flexibility can help you explore more career options and pathways. For information on occupations, [visit myfuture](#) and for apprenticeships and traineeships, [visit Australian Apprenticeships](#).

## What is a 'good career' anyway?

There are plenty of opinions about what a “good career” looks like, but the right career is different for everyone. What one person sees as success may not match what matters most to you. Your interests, values and goals should guide your decisions, not other people's expectations. [Click here to read more](#) from Chris Targett about why career success is personal and how to find a pathway that suits you.

## Will a career test tell me what I should do?

Career quizzes can be a great starting point, but no single test can tell you about the perfect job for you. These quizzes can help you learn more about your interests, strengths, values and personality and suggest careers worth exploring. Use the results as a guide to get more ideas to begin your research. You can also speak with your school's Career Counsellor about career assessment tools they recommend. The following quizzes are good places to start:

- [myfuture](#) – My career profile (Sign up when first entering this site - its free).
- [Skills Road](#) - Career quiz
- [Jung Personality Test](#) – This is a personality test.
- [Your Career](#)– Career Explorer





# Disabilities

## Griffith Uni future students with a disability or health condition

If you have a disability or health condition or you're a parent/carer supporting a future student, Griffith University encourages you to connect with its Student Disability and Accessibility team. They can discuss the support and adjustments available to help students succeed at university. [Click here to find out how they can assist](#) with:

- Services and resources
- Appointments
- Future students
- Inclusive careers
- Contact details



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## ABS Labour Force Data – April 2026

The Australian Bureau of Statistics have released the [Labour Force Data for April 2026](#):

- unemployment rate remained at 4.5%
- participation rate remained at 66.8%
- employment increased to 14,737,400
- underemployment rate increased to 5.8%
- monthly hours worked decreased to 2,036 million

## Arts and Recreation Industry

The Arts and Recreation Services industry include organisations involved in arts, culture, heritage, sport and recreation. This can include museums, galleries, performing arts, live events, sporting organisations and recreation facilities. It covers activities that allow people to enjoy cultural experiences, creative performances and leisure activities. The industry does not include businesses involved in producing films, television programs or video content, which are classified under the Information Media and Telecommunications industry. [Find out more here including:](#)

- Employment
- Vacancies
- Employer recruitment insights
- Median weekly earnings
- Active businesses
- Industry subdivisions
- Occupations employed

## Combine Maths and Sport!

Numbers play a huge role in sport. Data collected from games and training helps coaches track things like speed, distance covered and player performance, helping them improve results and

training programs. If you enjoy Maths, Data and sport, there are plenty of exciting study and career pathways to explore. [Click here to read an article from Careers with STEM](#) that includes:

- Mighty Athlete
- Cameron's Top Tip
- Maths + Data + Sports Stars
- Start your career

## Great jobs for teenagers

Getting a job as a teenager is about more than just earning money. It helps you build confidence, learn valuable life skills, take on responsibility and gain real-world experience. While school should always come first, having a job can help you stand out when applying for university or future jobs. Even if you have no experience, there are plenty of great job opportunities available. UQ explores some options if you are wanting to enter the workforce. [Find out more including:](#)

- Best jobs for teens who are social and like helping people
- Best jobs for teens who enjoy being outdoors
- Job ideas for teens who are creative
- Job ideas for teens who are tech-minded
- Best jobs for teens who like to care for others
- Volunteering opportunities for teens
- Tips on how to get started

Get ready for the upcoming school holidays!

## How to make a great first impression on employers

The Australian Government regularly surveys Australian employers. They asked them what young job seekers can do to make a good impression at an interview. Employers said that they are impressed by job seekers who:

- Are punctual
- Dress appropriately for the job (even if you are meeting an employer online)
- Smile and are friendly
- Are well presented

Some other ways to show an employer you really want to work with them:

- Be your best self online
- Show them you understand their business
- Ask questions

Click [here](#) for more information on the above points.

## How to research employers

Before you apply for a job, head to a career's expo and/or contact the company and find out what the employer is looking for. Show them you understand their business and explain how your skills and experience fit the role. Doing a bit of research on the company takes time but it can really help you stand out. [Check out JobJumpstart's article](#) that goes into:

- What to look for
- Where to look
- More resources to help you
  - Contacting employers directly
  - Employer profiling

## Networking - you're never too young to start!

It's never too early to learn how to start networking. Networking is about building professional connections that can help you learn about careers, discover opportunities and find future jobs. You can network by joining industry groups, attending events or connecting with people online. Having a strong network can help you learn more about careers you're interested in and make valuable industry contacts. [Click here to read JobJumpstart's article](#), which covers:

- What is networking?
- Some networking tips
- Tools that can help you

## Planning for the future when you're a Uni Digital graduate

Interested in technology and innovation? The Queensland Government's Digital Graduate Program gives recent graduates the chance to work on real projects that improve services for Queensland communities. Over two years, you'll gain hands-on experience, mentoring, training and career development while working alongside industry experts. It's a great way to kick-start your career and help shape Queensland's digital future. [Be informed by starting some planning here.](#)

## What skills do employers want?

Employers want more than just job skills. They also look for "employability skills" — things like teamwork, communication, problem-solving and being reliable. These skills show you can work well with others and handle real workplace challenges. So, what skills are employers really looking for? [Dino Willox from UQ shares some insights here.](#)



## Financial Assistance & Scholarships



### Commonwealth Prac Payment

The Commonwealth Prac Payment (CPP) provides eligible teaching, nursing, midwifery and social work students with financial support while completing a required placement. Eligible students can receive \$338.60 per week to help cover living costs during their placement. Check the [eligibility requirements on the CPP For Students webpage](#) including:

- Eligibility
- Reporting requirements
- Resources
- Commonwealth Prac Payment student flyer
- CPP-Student Guide

### Government allowances for students - For future reference: Austudy

If you're 25 or older and studying full-time or doing an Australian Apprenticeship, you may be eligible for this allowance. The amount you receive depends on your circumstances, such as whether you're single, partnered and/or have children. Your payment may also be affected by your income. Check the [Department of Human Services website](#) for eligibility details, current payment rates and application details.

### Iglu Regional Scholarship

Starting study away from home? The Iglu Regional Scholarship helps eligible students from regional Australia and New Zealand with rental costs while studying in Sydney, Melbourne or Brisbane. The scholarship provides significant accommodation support during your first year, making the move to student life a little easier. Expressions of interest are now open with applications for 2027 opening in September. [Check it out here.](#)



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## Manage your money ... it's an important way to get ahead

Managing your money is an important skill to learn while you're still at school. The MoneySmart has helpful tips on budgeting, saving, managing expenses and understanding student loans. Building good money habits now, can make life much easier when you're studying or starting work.

[MoneySmart's tips on making the most of your money starting with:](#)

- How to work out your student life costs
- How to work out your student life income
- Know the costs of your course
- Other tips to get set up for success

## Study Assist HELP Publications

HELP loan booklets explain important information about Higher Education Loan Program (HELP) loans, including eligibility, how to apply, withdrawing from study and repaying your debt. You must read the relevant booklet before submitting your HELP loan application (eCAF), as submitting the form confirms that you understand the loan's terms, conditions and your responsibilities. [Check out the available Study Assist publications](#) including:

- 2026 Commonwealth supported places and HECS-HELP information booklet
- 2026 Commonwealth supported places and HECS-HELP fact sheet
- 2026 FEE-HELP information booklet
- 2026 FEE-HELP fact sheet
- 2026 OS-HELP statement of terms and conditions
- 2026 OS-HELP statement of terms and conditions fact sheet
- 2026 SA-HELP information booklet
- 2026 SA-HELP fact sheet
- Fee-Free Uni Ready Course - Commonwealth Supported Place information booklet

## UQ Scholarships explained

Did you know you can apply for UQ scholarships throughout your degree? UQ offers a wide range of scholarships that can provide financial support, help with tuition and accommodation costs and offer mentoring and industry experience opportunities Click [here](#) to read their *Scholarships Explained* brochure with information about:

- Check your eligibility
- Scholarship focus
- Funding types
- Find scholarships
- Applying for scholarships
- Scholarship rules and governance



# First Nations Peoples



## ACU's Away from Base (AFB) program and courses

The Away From Base (AFB) program allows Indigenous students to study online while attending intensive on-campus residential blocks twice each semester. Free tutorial support is available through face-to-face, online or group sessions. Eligible ABSTUDY students may also receive government assistance for travel, accommodation and meal costs when attending residential blocks. Indigenous students can apply directly to selected ACU undergraduate programs through this pathway. [Find out more here including:](#)

- About the program
- Courses available in Away from Base mode
  - B or Midwifery (Indigenous)
  - B of Education (Primary)
  - Diploma of Education Studies (Tertiary Preparation)
- General course requirements

Confirmation of Aboriginality is required to attend these courses.

## Australian Taxation Office (ATO) Evergreen Program

The ATO offers jobs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, including training and a Certificate IV. [More info here including:](#)

- Why choose us
- Roles
- Training and support
- Who can apply
- Our ideal candidate
- When to apply
- Locations

## Future UQ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

UQ offers First Nations Peoples students a complete university experience, including a mix of educational, social and cultural opportunities, to help you achieve your individual goals. Click on the following links to find out about [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit \(ATSISU\)](#) and [Indigenous engagement at UQ](#).

## UniSQ's Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program (IHEPP)

UniSQ's Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program (IHEPP) helps Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students build the skills and confidence needed for university study. It's a free pathway program designed for students who may not have the required school qualifications or who have been away from study for a while. Students receive academic, cultural and social support through UniSQ's [College for First Nations](#), with access to computers, printers and study resources. Eligible students may also be able to access scholarships and [ABSTUDY](#) support. [Check it out here](#).



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## **Beginner Language Bootcamp**

UQ's Institute of Modern Languages offers a 5-day holiday program for Year 7-8 students during the September holidays. You can learn new languages beyond the options available at school. The program is suitable for students who have not had the chance to experience language learning or who are wanting to learn an alternative language to what is available to them at school. Click [here](#) for more information and registration details and applications close on 7 September 2026.



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## Interstate & International



### Applying to Australian National University (ANU)

You can apply to Australian National University for your preferred degree through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). This pathway keeps your study plans and the new opportunities, possibilities and experiences that ANU offers within reach.

How to apply through UAC:

1. Find the [perfect ANU degree for you](#)
2. Check the [important UAC dates for undergraduate applicants](#)
3. [Gather the key documentation needed for your application](#)
4. [Undergraduate applications and offers](#)
5. Live on campus, apply for [student accommodation](#)

### Medicine at Tasmania Uni

University of Tasmania's Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (BMedScMD) will support you on your path to becoming a doctor. You'll build strong medical knowledge, gain real-world experience and develop the skills to make a positive difference in healthcare and your community. [Find out more](#) about their foundation and clinical years, clinical experience, placements and student support here.

### The University of Notre Dame Australia Young Achievers Early Offer Program

Notre Dame's Young Achievers Early Offer Program could help you secure a university place before final results are released. The program looks beyond academic achievement and recognises your overall potential. Receiving an early offer can give you extra confidence during your final year and



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may also make you eligible to apply for Notre Dame's \$20,000 merit and opportunity scholarships. [Learn more about the program](#) including:

- Why should I apply for an early offer?
- What degrees can I study?
- How do I apply for an Early Offer?
- Application key dates
- Frequently asked questions

## University profile - Wollongong Uni

The University of Wollongong (UOW) is known for its student-focused approach to learning, encouraging students to grow, achieve and reach their potential. With a strong focus on collaboration, innovation and excellence, UOW offers a wide range of undergraduate courses across a variety of study areas. [Click here to explore the courses](#) available in the following faculties:

- Accounting, Finance and Economics
- Business, Marketing and Management
- Law
- Communications and Media
- Computer Science and Information Technology
- Creative and Performing Arts
- Education
- Engineering
- Environmental and Biological Sciences
- Health
- Humanities and Social Inquiry
- Literature and Language
- Maths, Physics and Chemistry
- Medical Science
- Nursing
- Psychology and Human Behaviour
- Social Sciences and Advocacy

Click [here](#) to find out more about UOW and see if it is a university option for you.

## UQ Year 12 International student Guide

Check out the 2027 UQ Guide International that has information specific to international students completing their Year 12 QCE. The guide has information including:

- Study areas
- Campus locations
- UQ application process
- Program prerequisites and entry scores

It is best to start your research now and double check the information in the new guide when published and/or by contacting UQ directly. Click [here](#) to access the 2027 guide.



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# Open Days, Expos & Career Markets



## June Open Days and Career Expos

- 04/06/2026 [Cairns Career and Employment Expo](#)
- 07/06/2026 [JCU Mackay Open Day](#)
- 18/06/2026 [Fraser Coast Industry & Careers](#)

## UQ Skills Open Day

On 9 July from 9am - 3pm you can check out UQ Gatton's facilities, get a taste of Uni life and meet current students who'll share stories about study, placements and career pathways. If you're in high school, you can learn more about [VET in Schools programs](#) that could be right for you in 2027. If you're finishing school and unsure what's next, this is a great opportunity to explore hands-on training, clear industry pathways and practical qualifications that lead to real careers. [More info and rego details here.](#)



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## Brisbane Broncos Sport Business Institute Diploma

In partnership, TAFE Queensland and Brisbane Broncos Sport Business Institute are delivering a Diploma of Leadership and Management/Diploma of Sport from the home of the Brisbane Broncos in Red Hill. As part of the course, you will have:

- Potential to be considered for one of two graduate roles at Brisbane Broncos
- Hands-on learning across an elite sporting organisation
- Study at world-class facilities, including the home of the Brisbane Broncos.
- Articulation pathways into a variety of under-graduate programs at Queensland universities.

Want more info, go to their Open Day 1 August (you have to register). Can't make it, book a 1:1 program call. Click [here](#) for more information and to register for updates closer to the opening of 2027 applications.

## College of Aeronautical Science

Courses at the College of Aeronautical Science can help you fast-track your aviation career. You'll develop the maths, physics and technical skills needed to succeed in this competitive industry. The College also offers aptitude and selection test preparation for aspiring commercial pilots, Defence Force pilots, cadets and aircrew candidates. [Find out more here.](#)

## SAE Creative Media Institute (SAE) 2027 early entry scheme

SAE's Early Offer Program gives Year 12 students the chance to secure a conditional offer before final exams. Knowing your study plans are already in place can help reduce stress and let you focus on finishing school, developing your creative portfolio and working on the projects you're passionate about. [Find out more here including:](#)

- How to apply in 3 steps
- Why apply for an early offer?
- Entry criteria



## English and Maths eligibility for ATAR

If you're planning to receive an ATAR, there are a few important requirements to know. You must successfully complete an approved English subject with a Grade of C or higher. English is the only compulsory subject for ATAR eligibility. Universities may not accept Applied English as a prerequisite and may have additional subject prerequisites for specific courses. Your English result will only count towards your ATAR if it is one of your best five subject results. It's also important to note that only one English subject type (General or Applied) and one Mathematics subject type (General or Applied) can be included in your ATAR calculation. [Click here to learn more about QTAC's ATAR eligibility requirements.](#)

## How IB Diploma students are considered for entry to tertiary courses

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme is a two-year senior secondary qualification recognised by universities around the world. QTAC accepts the IB Diploma as equivalent to Year 12 QCE and converts IB results into an ATAR-like rank called the National ATAR. This allows IB students to apply for university courses across Australia and have their results fairly compared with students who completed state-based qualifications and received an ATAR. [Read more about IB here.](#)

## QTAC WARNING!

**DO NOT** apply to QTAC for 2027 entry into tertiary courses yet! QTAC is currently taking Semester 2, 2026 applications **NOT** 2027. If you apply before the 2027 opening date on 4 August, your application will not be considered!



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## What are minimum selection thresholds for competitive entry into courses?

A minimum selection threshold is the lowest adjusted ATAR or selection rank that received an offer for a course in a particular offer round. These thresholds can change each year depending on the number of applicants and the demand for the course. When working out your course preferences, it's important to check the latest minimum selection thresholds to get a realistic idea of the scores needed for entry.

## Year 12 online 2027 Guide update

Heads up! QTAC will have the Year 12 Undergraduate 2027 Guide on their website from this Friday, 5 June. Note: QTAC applications don't open till 4 August, but good research leads to great decisions.



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# Queensland Curriculum & Assessment Authority



## myQCE

The Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) Student Portal is where Year 12 students can access their final subject results, Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE), Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA) and other important information. Make sure you register for a myQCE account so you can access your results and stay up to date. [Explore everything available on the myQCE website](#), including:

- Tips to organise your study
- Staying healthy and happy
- You're not alone
- Registered for the Student Portal yet?
- Career pathways
- QCE requirements



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## Study Skills & Wellbeing



### 7 hacks to get yourself a better sleep

Getting a good night's sleep helps you feel happier, think clearly and stay energised. Sleep is important for learning, sport, mood and even your long-term health. But lots of people struggle to get enough sleep. If that sounds like you, [find some simple tips to help you get the rest](#) you need here, including more about:

1. There's an app for that
2. Be wary of alcohol, caffeine and nicotine
3. Sleep schedule
4. Get a bedtime ritual
5. De-stress
6. To nap or not to nap?
7. Exercise

### Good Vibes Experiment Activity Book

The Good Vibes Experiment is a student-led mental health initiative at Flinders University that encourages students to try simple, everyday activities that support wellbeing. The program focuses on building practical skills to maintain and strengthen mental health, rather than always feeling happy. Students can get involved through campus activities, free resources and events held throughout the year, including Orientation, Wellbeing Week and R U OK? Day. [Find their activity book here plus more info on about the program.](#)

### How to create a positive study environment at home

Having a good study space at home can make a big difference to your learning and results. A good study setup isn't just important during exams. You need a quiet, comfortable space where you can focus on homework and revision all year round. When creating a study environment at home, think about both the physical space and the overall atmosphere. The mood of the household and the



room you study in can both affect concentration and motivation. [More info from UQ here that will help you get organised.](#)

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

### Managing Stress and Panic

- Breathe: Stress can cause strong physical reactions, but they will pass. Focus on slowing your breathing.
- Take deep breaths: Breathe in and out slowly three times, closing your eyes if you can. Repeat until you feel calmer.
- Use positive self-talk: Remind yourself, "*I can cope,*" "*I can manage this,*" and "*It's OK.*"
- Distract yourself: Count backwards from 100, think about a favourite memory or focus on something around you.
- Remember it will pass: Stress and panic don't last forever.

Everyone feels stressed sometimes. Learning ways to manage it can help you feel more confident and in control. If stress or panic is becoming difficult to manage, talk to your school guidance officer, school counsellor or family doctor for support.

## Important Responsibilities Every Student Needs to Own

Taking responsibility for your choices can help you build confidence and achieve your goals. Here are six tips from leadership expert Tim Elmore:

1. Own your attitude – You can't control everything that happens, but you can control how you respond.
2. Speak up at school – Ask questions, seek help when needed and take an active role in your learning.
3. Give your best effort – Focus on what matters most and commit fully to your goals.
4. Be on time – Punctuality shows respect for others and helps you stay organised.
5. Choose supportive people – Surround yourself with friends, teachers and mentors who encourage you to succeed.
6. Manage your screen time – Take control of how much time you spend online and make time for other important parts of life.

Small actions taken consistently can make a big difference to your success, wellbeing and future opportunities

## Tips to be a better leader

Some high school experiences can stick with us long after we've graduated. Things like missing out on a leadership role, not making a team or being overlooked for an opportunity may seem small years later but at the time they can have a big impact on confidence and self-belief. The important thing to remember is that one setback doesn't define your future. Many successful leaders, athletes and professionals faced disappointments at school but continued to put themselves forward, learn



from the experience and pursue new opportunities. Sometimes the moments that don't go our way can teach us just as much as the ones that do. [Check some out the following 5 tips:](#)

1. Be a better supporter
2. Keep your ears open
3. Lead by example
4. Try to prove yourself wrong
5. Be flexible



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# TAFE Queensland Updates



## Course Info webinars you can watch

Not sure if TAFE is right for you? TAFE Queensland's on-demand webinar series lets you explore courses, facilities and training options from home. You'll hear from teachers, learn about hands-on training and get a better understanding of what studying at TAFE is really like so [check out the webinars including:](#)

- Bachelor of Digital Design (Game Design) (ARB302)
- Diploma of Nursing (HLT54121)
- Diploma of Business (BSB50120)
- Bachelor of the Built Environment (Interior Architecture) (ABB002)
- Diploma of Music (CUA50820)
- Diploma of Beauty Therapy (SHB50115)
- Bachelor of Creative Industries (Contemporary Music Practice) (ARB403)
- Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (CHC50121)
- Bachelor of Creative Industries (Applied Fashion) (ARB402)
- Renewables

## Pathways to a trade qualification

There are 3 main pathways to a trade qualification you can take while still at school. [Read more about them here including:](#)

- Pre-apprenticeship courses - a great way to see if a trade is the right fit for you before committing to a full apprenticeship
- School-based apprenticeships and traineeships - allows you to start your training while you're still at school
- Taster program - see if a career is for you without needing to commit to a full qualification



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## Study at TAFE at Central Queensland University

Looking to gain new skills, change careers or get job-ready? CQUniversity offers a wide range of TAFE certificates and diplomas that can be studied online or on campus. Explore course options, student loans, subsidised training and other [information to help you get started here including:](#)

- Find a TAFE course
- Browse TAFE Certificates and Diplomas
- Career Tasters
- TAFE subsidised Training
- Information to get you started
  - TAFE Subsidised Training
  - Paying for TAFE
  - School-Based Apprenticeship and Traineeship (SAT)
  - Important Application dates
  - No ATAR, No problem
  - University Shop.

## Sunshine Coast campus

Thinking about studying on the Sunshine Coast? TAFE Queensland has campuses across the region, including Mooloolaba, Nambour, Maroochydore and the Sunshine Coast Health Institute in Birtinya. Each campus offers modern facilities and specialised training areas, giving students access to hands-on learning and industry-relevant skills. Explore the different campuses and [study options available here.](#)

## What can TAFE 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](#)
- [Course types](#)

## Why TAFE QLD is an option worth investigating

Whatever greatness looks like to you, TAFE Queensland can help you achieve it. [Why choose TAFE Queensland?](#)

- **Real job outcomes** - Over 84% of our graduates go straight into work or further study.
- **Get qualified for less** - Access [government funding](#) including [Fee-Free TAFE](#).
- **Skills employers want** - Our strong industry connections mean you'll graduate job-ready.
- **Future-proof your career** - Build hands-on, in-demand skills that will survive an AI-driven future.
- **Supportive learning environment** - With industry experts who are invested in your success.



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# Universities



## English Language requirements for Nursing at all universities

If you're applying for a nursing or midwifery degree, you must meet the English language requirements set by the [Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council \(ANMAC\)](#). Most students who have completed at least six years of schooling in English, including two years in Years 7–12 in an approved English-speaking country, can meet this requirement through a declaration. If you don't meet these criteria, you'll need to complete an approved English language test and achieve the required score. [Check the QTAC website for full details and a list of accepted tests](#).

## Women's College at UQ

The Women's College is a residential college for young women studying at a university in Brisbane. Students receive academic support, personal development opportunities and access to leadership, sport, cultural and social activities while living in a supportive community. Contact the College for information about 2027 applications and [click here for more details and contact information](#).

## Australian Catholic University

### Admission pathways

Not sure how to get into university? Admission pathways and alternative entry programs can help you achieve your study goals. There may be a pathway that suits your situation. Use the pathway finder to explore your options based on your interests, [study area or personal circumstances such as:](#)

- Find your pathway
- Recent secondary education (School leavers)
- International pathways
- Pathway certificates and diplomas
- I'm an elite athlete or performer



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- Vocational Education and Training study
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
- I'm missing a prerequisite
- I didn't get the ATAR or Rank needed
- ACU Guarantee

## Talk with Industry Series

ACU is hosting a number of webinars where you can hear from alumni (graduated students) about their professional experiences after completing their studies at ACU. [You can listen to these recorded webinars](#) and find out info about jobs in the following areas:

- Arts, Education and Teaching
- Business, IT, Law and Human Rights
- Health Sciences
- General Sessions

## What can you study at ACU

ACU Brisbane campus offers a wide range of qualifications. Find out more on the ACU website including:

- Allied Health
- Business
- Creative Arts
- Global Studies and International Development
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Information Technology
- Law and Criminology
- Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine
- Nutrition and Biomedical Science
- Philosophy
- Public Health and Administration
- Sport and Exercise Science
- Teaching
- Theology
- Youth Work and Community Development

Check out their [website](#) and/or [Undergraduate Course Guide 2027](#) for more information.

## Bond University

### Bond Law Court Advocacy Showcase

On Saturday 13 June from 1pm, the Bond Law Court Advocacy Showcase will be of particular interest to students in Years 10, 11 and 12 who have an interest in studying law. Watch a demonstration of



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skilled courtroom advocacy as you follow selected highlights of a fictional legal matter from trial to appeal. [More info and rego details here.](#)

## Bond Care

Bond University is committed to building a safe and supportive campus for everyone. Bond Care has been established to bring together a number of support pathways so that it is easier for students to access the right on campus supports and services, including:

- [Student Success Advisors](#)
- [Nyombil Centre for First Nations students](#)
- [Developing your academic skills](#)
- [Accessibility and inclusion](#)
- [Student Counselling](#)
- [International student support](#)

Click [here](#) to find out more.

## Year 12 2027 Early Offers

Bond University will support students by assessing applications based on their first semester Year 12 results and your Year 11 semester reports. How it works:

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

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

Note: Bond's Medical Program is excluded from these revised entry requirements, and you can find out more [here](#) including how to apply.

## Central Queensland University

### Brisbane campus offers Degree programs

The Brisbane campus is situated in the heart of the Central Business District, a short walk from Central train station and King George Square bus station. With nine floors offering modern, state-of-the-art facilities you'll enjoy a fresh learning environment, helping you to follow your academic



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interests. The campus offers over 40 bachelor's degrees. Click [here](#) and scroll down to find out more about the campus including courses you can study.

## Skills for Tertiary Education Preparatory Studies (STEPS)

Skills for Tertiary Education Preparatory Studies (STEPS) is a course designed to provide a pathway for people to access university, prepare for study and build confidence as a learner. Discover more about your free and flexible enabling course that can provide a direct pathway into a CQU diploma or degree. [Find out more here](#) as it could be a great stepping stone into Uni from school.

## Start Uni Now (SUN) Term 2 2026 applications now open

SUN students gain an insight into university life and after successful completion may be eligible for direct entry to a wide range of CQUni courses (excludes quota managed courses). Applications for Term 2 (13 July –9 October 2026) close on 22 June 2026. Find out how to apply and access more information about SUN [here](#).

## STEPS Term 2 Information Session 2

Not sure if you meet uni entry requirements, coming back to study after a break or need prerequisite subjects for your dream degree? The Skills for Tertiary Education Preparatory Studies (STEPS) course can help build your confidence and get you ready for university success. They are hosting a webinar on 10 June. [Check it out as it may be a option for you.](#)

## Want to ask CQU a question?

Have questions about studying at CQUniversity? You can book a one-on-one conversation with a CQUniversity staff member to discuss courses, entry requirements, career pathways and study options. Choose the contact method that suits you best, including phone, video call, email or social media messaging. [Click here to book a conversation](#) and get personalised advice.

## Griffith University

### Brisbane City Design and Visual Arts experience workshops - great portfolio preparation

Love art, design or creativity? Queensland College of Art and Design (QCAD) Experience Days give you the chance to explore creative study areas through hands-on workshops. The Brisbane workshops will be held on 1 July and the Gold Coast experience day on 30 June. You'll work with experienced teachers, create portfolio pieces and experience QCAD's facilities while learning what it's like to study a creative degree. Students can explore areas such as design, painting, photography, sculpture and Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art. Open to Year 10 students and above, these



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workshops are a great way to build skills, confidence and your portfolio. Places are limited, so register early. [Find out more here including rego details.](#)

### Griffith University campus tours

Experience life at Griffith with a free tour of the Griffith Gold Coast, Nathan, Conservatorium of Music, Queensland College of Art and Design and Griffith Film School campuses. You can explore lecture theatres, teaching rooms and some of the many state-of-the-art facilities and amenities on offer. Click [here](#) for more details including how to book a tour.

### Griffith's Year 12 Academic Boot Camp

Academic Bootcamps can give you a head start in your senior studies. They're run by experienced teachers who are experts in their subjects and currently teaching these topics in schools, so you'll get practical tips and up-to-date knowledge. During the camp you will:

- revise and consolidate knowledge in your subjects
- increase your confidence in preparing for exams
- gain invaluable tips on study skills and techniques specific to the subject
- experience the subject matter from a different perspective
- seek answers for specific queries
- gain an extra edge in upcoming exams and assessments.

They will be run at the Gold Coast and Brisbane South (Nathan) campuses during the September school holidays: Week one: 22–25 September and Week 1: 21 – 24 September. [Find more info and registration details here.](#)

### Head Start applications - Trimester/Semester 2

Head Start applications for Trimester 2 2026 close on 22 June. Head Start gives you the opportunity to study one or two courses (subjects) at Griffith while still at school. You will build skills and confidence and stretch your academic boundaries. Click [here](#) for more information including:

- Key dates
- Available courses
- Application process

### Queensland College of Art and Design Portfolio entry requirements

You can apply for the following degrees via ATAR/Rank application or portfolio pathway:

- [Bachelor of Visual Arts](#)
- [Diploma of Visual Arts](#)
- [Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art \(CAIA\)](#)



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Applying through a portfolio pathway? Make sure you submit your portfolio by the closing date and start preparing early, as creating a strong portfolio takes time. Even if your portfolio application isn't successful, you'll still be automatically considered based on your ATAR or selection rank. Watch the on-demand portfolio webinar to learn what assessors are looking for and get tips on building a competitive application. Check with the University for their portfolio requirements and further information.

## University campuses

Griffith University has 5 campuses that offer a range of undergraduate degrees. Depending on the degree you are interested in, may determine which campus you will attend. Find out more about the various campuses and degrees by clicking on the links below:

- [Gold Coast](#): Their largest campus, located just minutes from world-famous beaches.
- [Brisbane South \(formally Nathan\)](#): Their foundation campus, steeped in history and natural beauty.
- [Brisbane City \(South Bank\)](#): A thriving cultural hub in Queensland's premier arts precinct.
- [Logan](#): A diverse, close-knit campus that's our home of community-focused education.
- [Digital](#): Study one of the 100+ degrees we offer fully or partially online at a pace that suits you.

## Queensland University of Technology

### Diploma in Health Science pathways

Gain foundational knowledge of current developments in the health environment and develop analytical, problem solving and communication skills that are fundamental to further studies across a range of health disciplines. The current ATAR Selection Rank is 60 and it's a 1 year course. Pathway into a range of health degrees:

- Bachelor of Biomedical Science
- Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science
- Bachelor of Behavioural Science
- Bachelor of Social Work
- Bachelor of Human Services
- Bachelor of Nutrition Science

[Click here for more info.](#)

### Prepare for a career in sports with hands-on learning at QUT

QUT Sport and Exercise Science graduates can work with sporting teams to optimise training programs and analyse player performance. You could play an important role in a team's success. QUT offer practical learning with classes taking place in resistance training facilities and biomechanical labs. If you're chasing a career in sports, explore where you could be studying, check out [Sport and Exercise facilities at QUT](#).



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## **QUT Engineering new major—Machine Learning Systems**

Launching in 2027, QUT will introduce a new Machine Learning Systems major and minor within the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours). This Australian-first will prepare students to design, build and deploy intelligent systems that power artificial intelligence and automation. With demand for Machine Learning Engineers growing rapidly, graduates will be equipped with real-world skills to drive innovation and automation across a range of industries from renewable energy and healthcare to defence, aerospace and advanced manufacturing. [Find out more.](#)

## **QUT Indigenous Australians Future Student Guide—Now available online**

The latest *QUT Indigenous Australians Future Students Guide* is now available online, making it easier than ever for students and schools to access comprehensive information about study pathways and support at QUT. The guide highlights dedicated programs, culturally safe spaces like the [Oodgeroo Unit](#) and key opportunities designed to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students succeed at university and beyond. [Download the guide today.](#)

## **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. [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**

### **Economics School Day**

The UQ Economics Schools Day gives high school students the opportunity to:

- discover what economics is about
- learn some economics concepts with immersive and interactive games
- directly interact and ask UQ economics lecturers questions
- hear from current UQ economics students
- explore future career opportunities in economics
- experience university life on campus.



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It's on 15 July at the St Lucia campus. [More info and rego details here.](#)

## Engineering, Design and Computing Careers Evening

Years 9–12 students are invited to UQ's careers expo, where they'll have the chance to connect directly with industry professionals on Thursday 25 June from 5 - 7:30pm. What to expect:

- Gain valuable insights from recent graduates and industry professionals as they share their experiences.
- Engage with academic staff and current students to learn about the study options available at UQ.
- Have the opportunity to ask questions to actual engineers, designers, and computing innovators about the various job opportunities in industry.
- Discover why UQ offers the ideal foundation for careers in engineering, architecture and design, planning, computer science, and information technology.

[Register here.](#)

## Future Leaders workshop

Years 11–12 students are invited to join UQ on 2 July to meet inspirational young leaders and build leadership skills. [Click here to find out more including:](#)

- What's involved
- Who should attend
- Cost
- Registration

## Tertiary Preparation Program (TPP) applications now open

TPP is for students who have experienced disruption to their schooling and would benefit from a Year 12 equivalent program to increase Tertiary Rank or achieve Course prerequisites. [Click here to find out more and keep checking for the end of 2026 school year and 2027 Semester 1 course options.](#)

## UQ Ready events

UQ is hosting the following informative night that will provide you with everything you need for a smooth transition from high school to university. Click on links to register.

16 June 2026 [Logan](#) 5:30 - 7:00pm; Logan Entertainment Centre, 170 Wembley Road, Logan Central

17 June 2026 [Sunshine Coast:](#) 5:30 - 7:00pm; Maroochy Surf Club, Black Swan Function Room 34-36 Alexandra Parade, Maroochydore



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24 June 2026 [Ipswich:](#)  
Raceview

5:30 - 7:00pm; Brothers Leagues Club 20 Wildey Street,

## UQ Scholarships for women in finance

The Paul Compton Women in Finance Scholarship encourages and supports female students interested in studying finance. [Click here to find out more including eligibility and application details.](#)

## Yr 9 + 10 Engineering, Design and Computing School Holiday Program

The School Holiday Program gives Year 9 and 10 students a chance to explore Engineering, Design and Computing through fun, hands-on activities. You'll learn how engineers, architects, designers and tech experts solve real-world problems while checking out the The University of Queensland St Lucia campus from 30 June to 3 July. What you'll do:

- Take part in hands-on workshops and real university-style projects
- Meet UQ students and lecturers
- Explore the campus, labs and learning spaces used by UQ students every day

[More info and rego details here.](#)

## University of Southern Queensland

### Adjustment factor pathways

Adjustment factors can boost your Selection Rank by adding extra points for things like where you live or the subjects you studied. For most UniSQ courses, up to 10 extra rank points can be added automatically by QTAC. For the Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences (Medicine Pathway), the maximum adjustment is 5 rank points. You'll need to provide supporting documents if you want to be considered for the Rural Access Adjustment Scheme. Adjustments points are given for:

- First in family
- Location adjustments
- Subject adjustments
- Educational Access Scheme (EAS) (documentation required)
- Elite Athlete adjustments

## University of the Sunshine Coast

### High Performance Student Athlete Program

At UniSC, high performance athletes achieve at the highest level in study, research, training and competition with purpose-built facilities and support from world-leading coaches, performance



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development specialists and sport and exercise scientists. UniSC's high performance student athlete [program](#) enables elite athletes to achieve their personal best in study and sport. Click [here](#) for more information about:

- [Nationally-accredited facilities](#)
- [Physical performance coaching](#)
- [Personal training](#)
- [UniSC Clinics](#)
- [Research](#)
- [Youth Academy](#)



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## Upcoming Events

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Date	Event
03/06/2026	ADF: Toowoomba Defence Careers Information Session
03/06/2026	ADF: Townsville Defence Careers Information Session
04/06/2026	ADF: Brisbane Defence Careers Information Session
04/06/2026	ADF: Maroochydore Defence Careers Information Session
04/06/2026	Bond Architecture Experience Day
04/06/2026	Bond Enterprise AI in Action
04/06/2026	Cairns Career and Employment Expo
05/06/2026	Bond Global Changemakers Experience Day
05/06/2026	Future Leaders' workshop rego closes
05/06/2026	UCAT ANZ Final booking deadline
05/06/2026	Yr12, 2027 Undergraduate QTAC Guide online
06/06/2026	Bond Health Experience Day
07/06/2026	JMC Open Day Mackay
09/06/2026	ADF: Gold Coast Army Special Forces Information Session
09/06/2026	ADF: Loganlea A Night in the Army Reserve
09/06/2026	UQ Ready info session Rockhampton
10/06/2026	ADF: Brisbane Army Special Forces Information Session
11/06/2026	ADF: Maroochydore Army Special Forces Information Session
12/06/2026	Griffith University's Score It: Film scoring competition closes
12/06/2026	Score It: Griffith Uni's high school film scoring competition closes



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12/06/2026	UQ Ramsay Undergraduate Scholarship information webinar
13/06/2026	Bond Law Court Advocacy event
13/06/2026	Bond Law Court Advocacy Showcase
16/06/2026	UQ Ready: Logan
17/06/2026	UQ Ready info session
18/06/2026	Fraser Coast Industry & Careers Showcase
22/06/2026	Head Start applications - Trimester/Semester 2 applications close
22/06/2026	Start Uni Now (SUN) Term 2 2026 applications now open
24/06/2026	UQ Ready Ipswich
25/06/2026	UQ's Engineering, Design and Computing Careers Evening
28/06/2026 to 01/07/2026	UQ FEAST event
29/06/2026 to 30/06/2026	UQ QLD Biology Winter School
30/06/2026	Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards
30/06/2026	Gold Coast Design experience day
30/06/2026 to 03/07/2026	UQ's Engineering, Design and Computing School Holiday Program
01/07/2026	GU Brisbane City Design and Visual Arts experience day
01/07/2026	UCAT ANZ testing begins
01/07/2026	Young ICT Explorers Comp rego closes
06/07/2026 to 09/07/2026	UQ Junior Physics Odyssey
06/07/2026 to 07/07/2026	UQ QLD Biology Winter School
09/07/2026	Gatton Skills Open Day
15/07/2026	UQ's Economics Schools Day
17/07/2026	Brisbane Tertiary Studies & Careers Expo TSXPO
17/07/2026	UQ Experience Geographical Science morning
18/07/2026	TSXPO Day 2
21/07/2026	Sunshine Coast Careers Expo
22/07/2026	UQ World Religions Experience Day 2026
23/07/2026	World Religions Experience Day 2026
31/07/2026	Australian Mathematics Competition entries close



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Young ICT Explorers comp submissions due



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