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Announcements



Career advice, career counselling and support after school closes

As the class of 2023 celebrates graduation and ATAR become known, you should review your preferences and pathways. There can be confusion around scores and new opportunities they present. [Options Career Information](#) offers one-on-one, in person or online sessions for parents and students to ensure you have all the facts when it comes to ATAR, QTAC and your career options and pathways after high school. You can email info@optionscareers.com.au for more information and to book a session.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and restful New Year

This is the last bulletin for 2023 and the end of another mad year! The Options Career Information team would like to take this opportunity to thank all our readers, students, parents and teachers for your ongoing support. We wish the graduating Year 12 students all the best for their futures and encourage them to go courageously, confidently and enthusiastically into their new world, embracing opportunities as they arise. You have developed resilience, creative problem solving and flexibility amongst other qualities, so your future is bright.

Options Career Information would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy, successful and restful New Year. May 2024 bring many blessings and much happiness for all and safe travels if you are holidaying over the break.

Warm regards and best wishes,

Shauna and The Options Career Information team.



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Your ideas and feedback are valued!

We are in the process of giving Options a new and more user friendly look and would really appreciate knowing what you think. Your opinions and feedback matter! Please spend 2 - 3 minutes completing the relevant survey below.

[At school or leaving school survey](#)

[Parent and Guardian Survey](#)

Many thanks for your support and look forward to bigger and better in 2024!



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Free apprenticeships for under 25s

Are you under 25 years of age and looking for an apprenticeship? If you choose a high priority apprenticeship or traineeship, the Queensland Government will cover the cost of your training with a training provider. Your employer will pay your wages, but you might have to meet costs related to any uniform or other training resources. To be eligible, you must be under 25 and commence, or be undertaking your training between 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2024. [Click here](#) for more information including the 13 priority apprenticeship and traineeship qualifications.

MEGT Microsoft Traineeship Program - IT Traineeship

The Group Training Organisation, MEGT, is now taking expressions of interest for the Microsoft Traineeship Program through various Host Employers in Brisbane. Click [here](#) to find out more and if you are:

- A school leaver who has thought about a career in IT
- Naturally curious, keen to learn and a great communicator
- Genuinely passionate about technology and driven to build a career in IT
- Wanting to get paid to learn
- Ready to commit to the Microsoft Traineeship Program for up to 24 months
- Able to pass a Working with Children's Check (Blue Card) & National Police Clearance where required

Pre-apprenticeship courses through TAFE Queensland

Pre-apprenticeship training is an entry-level Certificate. It is made up of traditional classroom learning on a TAFE campus as well as hands-on work experience. Doing a pre-apprenticeship course has many advantages including:

- Helping you gain skills and a basic understanding of the job and industry

- Improving your chances of gaining an apprenticeship as an employer is more likely to take on someone who has some knowledge of the industry and the basic skills required
- Saving time on your apprenticeship, as part of the first stage of apprenticeship training is completed within the pre-apprenticeship course.

If you are interested in starting a full-time pre-apprenticeship course in January 2024 [click here](#) for a list of pre-apprenticeship courses on offer at SkillsTech and application information. You may have completed some pre-apprenticeship courses at school so see your VET Coordinator or Guidance Counsellor/Officer for information about this option.

QBuild Apprenticeship opportunities

The Queensland Government is looking for trade apprentices to join the QBuild team. Trades available include carpentry, refrigeration mechanic, electrical, painting and plumbing across Queensland. A QBuild apprenticeship offers a flexible, safe, inclusive and diverse work environment with a chance to earn while you learn. Click [here](#) for more information.

Qantas Apprenticeship Program

QANTAS is offering a variety of apprenticeships at their Brisbane and other airport maintenance facilities. Opportunities, including which trades are available, differ from year to year. Click [here](#) for more information including:

- About Us
- Aircraft trades
- Non-aircraft trades
- Requirements
- Requirement process
- Training
- Career development
- Indigenous careers (under programs)

Resources to help you get an apprenticeship or traineeship

Want an apprenticeship or traineeship? Don't know where to start? The following websites will help:

- [Steps to an Australian Apprenticeship](#) on the Australian Apprenticeships Pathways website
- [Job Hunting for Australian Apprenticeships](#) on the Australian Apprenticeships Pathways website
- [Apprenticeships and Traineeships](#) on the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training
- [Apprenticeship Central](#) has a job search function specifically for apprenticeships and traineeships. It also has a resume builder



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The image features a red rectangular area on the left containing the text 'Australian Defence Force' in a white, cursive font. To the right of this area is a photograph of a soldier in full combat gear, including a helmet and goggles, looking forward. The soldier's face is partially obscured by a spray of white particles, possibly dust or water, creating a dynamic and intense atmosphere.

Australian Defence Force

Defence Information Sessions in November and December

Below are the ADF information sessions for November and December with further information found on their [Facebook](#) site or by visiting their [events webpage](#). The events are:

- 20/11/2023 [Townsville: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
- 21/11/2023 [Cairns: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
- 28/11/2023 [Caboolture: A Night in the Army Reserve](#)
[Greenbank: A Night in the Army Reserve](#)
[Toowoomba: A Night in the Army Reserve](#)
- 05/12/2023 [Brisbane: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
[Maroochydore: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
[Townsville: Army Reserve Information Session](#)
- 12/12/2023 [Cairns: Army Reserve Information Session](#)



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Career Exploration



Vocational Education and Training (VET)

Are you wanting to gain practical work-related skills or a qualification towards a specific occupation? Explore a range of VET programs as they offer flexible, targeted training options and can also lead to university. Click the links below to find out more possibilities and options:

- [Learn more about VET](#)
- [Log in to search courses](#)

Where to find information about jobs

- [myfuture](#) website - Sign up for free if this is your first time on the website. Go to the Occupations section and search for your job of interest. Click on the 'Prospects' tab.
- [Labour Market Insights](#) provides occupational information including job prospects and information about your local labour market.
- The Australian [Department of Employment and Workplace Relations](#) provides information on Skills and Training, Employment and Workplace Relations.
- [The Australian Government - Jobs and Skills Australia](#) - The 2023 Skills Priority List
- [Australian Jobs 2022](#) provides an overview of trends in the Australian labour market.

Some cautions:

- Fast growth within an occupation does not guarantee more job opportunities because the number of people seeking work may outnumber the job openings.
- Even occupations with declining job prospects can offer job opportunities as people move across jobs.
- It is difficult to accurately predict long term job prospects. Unexpected events such as the pandemic, can have an enormous impact on the labour market.

Consequently, when you are making career decisions, a job's prospect is just one piece of information you need to consider. Other information includes your interests, skills, values, aspirations, work preferences, education and training requirements.



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AdSpace High School Advertising Challenge

The AdSpace competition is open to high school students in Years 10-12 who are interested in launching themselves into the advertising universe by pitching to a real-world client. During the challenge, teams are briefed by a real client and then work with QUT advertising student mentors to develop a campaign and pitch their ideas. The judging panel of advertising industry specialists provide feedback to the teams and decide the winning pitch. Interested in competing? [Register your interest](#) and QUT will send you details about the event, including how to register your team, the competition process and eligibility.

QUT's BlueShift High school business case competition

BlueShift is a business case competition where students work in small teams to develop real business solutions for a real business. You compete in teams of three or four students. Teams with the best submissions present their ideas to a panel of judges at the BlueShift finals held at their Gardens Point campus in Brisbane. Registrations are now open and close on 27 February 2024. Click [here](#) for more information and registration details.



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Disabilities

Inclusion Australia

[Inclusion Australia](#) is a national voice for Australians with intellectual disability. They bring together groups across Australia who are connected to people with intellectual disability and who are committed to the shared vision of inclusion in all aspects of Australian life. Visit their website to find out information about pandemic resources, news and events updates and their current videos.

UQ transition support for students with disabilities

UQ is committed to building an accessible and welcoming environment for all students and visitors. They provide a number of services that focus on creating an inclusive environment where all students have the same opportunity to succeed. [Click here](#) to visit their website and find information on:

- How to make an appointment with a student adviser
- Documents for your appointment
- Accessibility on campus
- UQ Union Abilities Collective
- Library support



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Employment, Job & Labour Market Info



2023 Skills Priority List

The 2023 Skills Priority List shows 36% of occupations were in national shortage (332 out of 916), about 5 percentage points higher than 2022 (31% of occupations). The rise in shortages in 2023 from 2022 reflects the cumulative impacts of recruitment challenges stemming from a persistently tight labour market which began tightening from late 2021. Click [here](#) to find out more about the key findings and which jobs are on the priority skills list.

ABS Labour Force Data - September 2023

The Australian Bureau of Statistics have released the [Labour Force Data for September 2023](#):

- Unemployment rate remained at 3.6%
- Employment increased to 14,115,100
- Underemployment rate remained at 6.4%
- Participation rate remained at 66.8%
- Employment to population ratio remained at 64.4%
- Monthly hours worked decreased to 1,940 million

Do you have your elevator pitch ready for an employer?

The online world has fast become the “elevator” of today, where we have just a few lines of text on a computer screen to make a striking impact on potential employers. With more pressure on people’s time than ever before, recruiters and employers can benefit from knowing your unique experiences, ambitions, and strengths in 25 words or less. SEEK.com has put together some ideas to make your Personal Summary the lasting first impression it should be. Written for current job seekers, they suggest that everyone should develop their 'elevator speech'. Click [here](#) to check out their tips and examples to help you stand out from others.



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Employment scams are on the rise

An increasing number of scammers are targeting Australians by impersonating genuine organisations and recruiters. Australians are being warned to be wary, with losses since January this year reaching \$20 million. Some key issues include:

- There's been a more than 740 per cent increase in employment scams this year.
- Australians' losses since January total \$20 million.
- Students looking for part-time work and people seeking to flexibly earn some additional income are the main targets

Click [here](#) for more information from the SBS News article including how to spot scams.

Link and Launch Post School Support

Link and Launch is a free service supporting young people who have completed Year 12 and are wanting to take their next step into study, training or work. You can get individual support to navigate the system and make a successful transition. Support includes:

- assistance in writing your resume, applying for jobs and interview preparation
- help to enrol in training courses or Skilling Queenslanders for Work programs
- access to free apprenticeships and traineeships
- finding alternative entry pathways to university

Find out more about Link and Launch, including your local service [here](#).

Skills for getting a job – full-time/part-time/casual

The following are resources you can access to help you gain the skills you need for your job search:

- [Applying for a Job](#) the Youth Central website has information and examples for developing a resume and writing cover letters as well as other tips to help you get a job and more.
- [I'm looking for a job](#) the Job Jumpstart website has information on most job search strategy. It can help you build your resume.
- [Ready to explore](#) visit the Seek website to check out for tips on job search. Seek also has a job search function.
- [Career Advice](#) the Careerone website has useful tips on job hunting, interview preparation, resumes and job interviews.
- The [Job Hunting](#) section on the Australian Apprenticeships Pathways website has a step-by-step approach to gaining an apprenticeship or traineeship.
- [Apprenticeship or traineeship](#) the Queensland Apprenticeship Info website has ideas on how to gain an apprenticeship or traineeship.
- [Apprenticeship Central](#) has a job search function specifically for apprenticeships.



The Manufacturing Industry - it does exist in Australia

The manufacturing industry employs a large number of people and covers manufacturing processes for products across food and beverages, clean energy, clothing and footwear, medicine, mineral and metals, machinery and equipment. The industry is moving towards a digital future creating new career opportunities in specialised processes, working with the latest technologies and manufacturing techniques. Click [here](#) to find out more about:

- Industry Considerations
- Manufacturing at a glance
- Top 5 occupations based on the employment growth

Who can help you find a job? - Great question!

Looking for a job can be frustrating, especially when you don't have much experience in the workforce. But you don't have to do it alone. Whether you're looking for paid work, an apprenticeship or traineeship or work experience, there is a range of support available to you. [Click here](#) to read more about the following options:

- [Find your next job](#)
- [Australian Apprenticeships Support Network providers](#)
- Career counsellor or Guidance Officers
- Family and friends
- Recruiting agencies



Financial Assistance & Scholarships



5 money management tips for young adults

It can be challenging to control your spending when you feel the pressure to maintain a certain standard of living. You want to make a good impression on friends and family and not miss out on anything. But the YOLO (you only live once) mentality can lead to reckless money decisions. Click [here](#) to find out more about:

- Track your income
- Create budget categories
- Start spending and saving intentionally
- Use credit cards wisely
- Think of money management as self-care

Education Scholarships and Grants

Applications are now open for the Department of Education's 2023 scholarships and grant's programs. These scholarships and grants reinforce the Department's dedication to providing the best teachers for all state schools while promoting teaching as a career path. The scholarships and grants on offer include:

- The [Aspiring teacher grants](#) valued at \$2,500 for general applicants and \$5,000 for rural or remote applicants which support high-achieving secondary graduates from 2023 commencing their studies to become a teacher in 2024. Applications close 8 December 2023.
- the [Pearl Duncan teaching scholarships](#) supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to gain an initial preservice teacher education qualification. It is valued at \$20,000. Online applications close Friday 8 December 2023.

[Click here for further information.](#)



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The Hotel School Brisbane Scholarship Program

Studying at The Hotel School Australia provides opportunities for you to enter the industry to work and study simultaneously. They also offer a range of scholarships to help financially support domestic or international students to reach their full potential and achieve their professional goals. Applications are now open. Click [here](#) to find out more about the application process.

UQ Residential Scholarships

The UQ Residential Scholarship Scheme offers financial support to help cover accommodation costs at UQ. If you have experienced financial hardship, you are encouraged to apply for any of the scholarships in this scheme. Click [here](#) to find out more and to apply.



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First Nations Peoples



Aurora Indigenous scholarships portal

The Portal lists resources and opportunities such as scholarships, internships and cadetships for Indigenous Australians. You may also find other opportunities open to all Australians where Indigenous students are encouraged to apply. By answering 9 short questions you can find some opportunities for you and subscribe to keep updated on opportunities as they arise. Click [here](#) to visit the portal.

First Nations Digital Careers Program

Applications are now open for 25 paid digital traineeships available with Microsoft or one of their partner employers in Brisbane. The program is a partnership between Queensland Government and Microsoft developed to provide First Nations people an opportunity to kick start a career in the fastest growing job market in the world. Click [here](#) for more information and phone Rebecca Jordan 0478 323 216.



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Holiday Programs & Short Courses



NIDA holiday short courses

NIDA is running the following short programs over the coming [holiday period](#). (click QLD to filter options) :

- Acting on Screen
- Drama
- Auditions
- Young Actor Studio
- Acting Boot Camp
- Screen Acting Boot Camp
- NIDA Drama School
- Auditions Masterclass
- Stage and Screen School
- Hitting Your Mark
- Off the Cuff: Improvisation



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Interstate & International



Study in the UK

The British Council has information to help you organise your options for studying in the UK. The UK offers a world-renowned education system while broadening your understanding of yourself and the world. If you want to go to the UK to study, the Council can help you find a course that best suits your career plans. Click [here](#) to find the answers to the following questions:

1. [Want to study in the UK?](#)
2. [Learn online with a UK university](#)
3. [Scholarships and funding](#)
4. [Living and studying in the UK](#)

Wanting to study in USA?

With thousands of colleges and universities in the US and UK, it might be tempting to apply to as many as possible. The more applications, the better chances of getting in, right? While there is some truth to this statement, it's not necessarily the best method. So, how many schools should you apply to? While there is no exact formula or a perfect number of schools to submit your applications to, most students apply to 4-8 universities. Click [here](#) to find out how to narrow down your options to create the perfect college list? You will also find more information on:

- How Many Colleges Can You Apply To?
- Why Does The Number of Colleges You Apply To Matter?
- How Many Colleges Should You Apply to?
- Factors to Consider Before Applying to Colleges
- How to Choose your UCAS Courses (UK Universities)
- Tips for applying to the right colleges
- Final Thoughts
- Key Resources & Further Reading

Post School Info



2023 school leavers' guide to jobs and training

The [2023 school leavers' guide to jobs and training](#) is now available. In this guide you can find information about:

- Tools and resources to explore career options
- Vocational training and further study
- Subsidised training and incentives
- Industry specific career exploration
- Assistance with finding a job
- Gain on the job experience
- Mental and physical wellbeing support for young people
- Support for young people with cancer
- Support for Year 13 Indigenous youth
- Preparing for work
- My future, My choice videos
- Link and Launch
- Support for young people living out of home



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CAECE (College for Australian Early Childhood Educators) school leaver options

[CAECE](#) is a registered training organisation delivering practical training to the early childhood education and care industry. Qualifications are delivered through workplace training. Their courses provide you with the qualifications needed to succeed in the early childhood industry. They currently offer:

- [CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care](#)
- [CHC50121 Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care](#)
- [BSB50420 Diploma of Leadership and Management](#)
- [CHC22015 Certificate II in Community Services](#)
- [Traineeships & Apprenticeships](#)

Diploma of Education from Griffith College to Education at Griffith Uni

The Diploma of Educational Studies is a pathway to teaching for those who may not meet the prerequisites for entry into an Education Degree. In just one year, you can complete subjects that meet the Maths, English and Science requirements for entry into the Education degree, while completing subjects that will provide credit towards your first year of the Bachelor of Education at Griffith University. The Diploma of Educational Studies will start in March at the Mt Gravatt and Southport Campuses. You can apply via QTAC or by contacting the College. Click [here](#) for more information.

Hotel School Australia

The Hotel School delivers Southern Cross University courses and is the only hotel school in Australia formed through a unique partnership between a public university and a global hotel investment group. A career in the hotel industry might see you working in:

- General management and administration
- Sales and marketing



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- Human resource management
- Rooms division and front office
- Event management
- Food and beverage management
- Accounts and finance

They offer the following [courses](#):

- Associate degree of international hotel and tourism management - Hayman Island, Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney
- Bachelor of business in hotel management - Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne
- Diploma of hotel management - Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne

SAE Creative Media Institute individual campus tours

You can check SAE out for yourself by booking a campus tour. When you're on a campus tour, you have the opportunity to speak to a SAE Course Advisor who can discuss with you your individual needs and answer your questions. Find out more [here](#).



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QTAC & Tertiary Entry

Have you got questions about your QTAC application or ATAR

At this time of the year, you are probably moving to finalise your options for after school. It is most important that you have all the correct information before finalising your QTAC application. If you have any questions you can talk to QTAC for the answers. [Click here](#) for contact details or find them on the back cover of the *2024 Year 12 Guide*. Be informed and stay positive.

How does QTAC work out if you will get an offer?

QTAC uses eligibility and merit to decide if you can get into a course. Eligibility is determined by prerequisites and each institution's admissions rules. Merit is based on your ATAR or selection rank. More details about this process can be found on the QTAC [Admission Criteria webpage](#). You can go into your [QTAC Application Services account](#) to check your eligibility for the courses you have applied for. It is always wise to check your application thoroughly to be sure you haven't missed an important aspect.



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Queensland Curriculum & Assessment Authority



Have you registered your Student Portal learning account?

The QCAA Student Portal has all your learning information in one place. You can check your personal details, access your learning account, get your final Year 12 subject results and more. Click [here](#) to access your account or to register for the Student Portal. To register you will need your LUI number.

Student Connect hotline

Students with questions about their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) results can contact the QCAA Student Connect hotline on 1800 804 991 or email studentconnect@qcaa.qld.edu.au. For answers to questions about ATARs, tertiary selection ranks or adjustment factors, contact QTAC on 1300 467 822.



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Study Skills & Wellbeing

Queensland Government Youth page

The Queensland Government has developed this [webpage](#) for young people. It provides links to a range of information and services covering topics such as:

- Looking after your mental health
- Support services for young people
- Life skills and your independence
- Education to employment
- Get involved with government
- Keeping healthy and staying active
- Relationships, staying safe and your sexuality
- Housing and accommodation
- Legal support and your rights
- Self-esteem
- Exam stress
- Moving out of home
- Road safety
- Support for LGBTIQ+
- Support for young parents
- Respectful relationships
- Cyber bullying

Be informed, stay safe and well ... you make this a reality, not others



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TAFE Queensland Updates



Last chance to access JobTrainer funding

Fee-Free TAFE is a joint initiative of the Australian, State and Territory governments, providing tuition-free courses to students wanting to train, retrain or upskill. Fee-free places will be targeted to priority groups including First Nations people, young people aged 17-24, job seekers, unpaid carers, women in non-traditional fields of study and people with disability. If eligible for Fee-Free TAFE, you can study for an accredited diploma, certificate or short course without incurring a cost for the tuition fees. Click [here](#) to find out more including what you can study, when you can study and enrol or register interest.



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Universities



QILT graduate survey

[The Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching \(QILT\)](#) is a coherent suite of surveys that cover higher education from commencement to employment. The surveys provide robust, timely and transparent information about Australian higher education institutions from the perspective of students and recent graduates.

The surveys include:

- the [Student Experience Survey](#), measuring learning experiences and satisfaction of current students
- the [Graduate Outcomes Survey](#), examining labour market outcomes of newly qualified higher education graduates
- the [Graduate Outcomes Survey – Longitudinal](#), providing information on medium-term graduate labour market outcomes
- the [Employer Satisfaction Survey](#), assessing the generic skills, technical skills and work readiness of graduates.

Successful transition to university

Tips for first year uni students:

- Familiarise yourself with the campus before the semester starts.
- Attend Orientation week events. This is where you find out about the student support services, social clubs and other activities available at your university. Check out the Career and Employment Services. These are the people who can help you get a job.
- Identify any study skills you need to polish up on and book into a workshop.
- Register with your university's disability services if applicable.
- See the university's financial or counselling services if you are worried about money or you have other concerns.
- Make friends by finding students in the same course and attend student-run social activities.



- Visit the library (virtual and physical) and attend workshops on how to use the library effectively.
- Attend all tutorials.
- Don't be afraid to ask for help.

You can also read the [Adjusting to Study](#) and [How to cope with transition to tertiary study](#) articles from the Good Universities Guide.

The top University performers in 2023/2024 ratings

The Good Universities Guide has published their top performers in their 2023/2024 ratings results. These rankings and insights into Australian universities can help when deciding where to study. Click [here](#) to search by:

- Level of study
- Rating type
- Field of study
- Location

Use ComparED to compare institutions and their courses

Thinking about higher education study? Wish you could ask someone about their experience? With [ComparED](#), you can explore and compare the quality of higher education institutions and study areas you are interested in, based on the experiences of others. You can also access the latest [Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching](#) (QILT) reports. Be empowered to choose what's right for you!

Australian Catholic University

Academy of Global Impact and Leadership through Ethics

Academy of Global Impact and Leadership through Ethics (AGILE) is an opportunity for high-achieving students who receive an ATAR 90+ and who enrol at ACU to be offered:

- immediate membership to AGILE, which will provide them with exclusive networking opportunities
- masterclass seminars with ACU's nationally recognised teaching staff and global leaders
- access to talks from Australia's most inspiring leaders.

AGILE students will graduate not only with a degree, but with the experience, knowledge and aptitude to make a positive contribution. [Find out more](#)



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Accommodation

If you need to live away from home to attend ACU's Brisbane campus, be aware that while there isn't on-campus accommodation you have several other options supported by ACU. [Click here](#) to find out your accommodation options when studying at ACU.

At a glance - Key statistics for ACU

It is always important to research all university options when planning your tertiary study pathway. Knowing the facts means that you will make a well informed decision. You can read the latest facts and figures about ACU including:

- more than 32,000 students
- more than 132,000 alumni
- more than 4,100 international students enrolled from more than 90 countries
- more than 200 international partners
- seven campuses around Australia and an international campus in Rome, Italy
- first in Australia for energy efficiency, and all Australian campuses are 100 per cent powered by renewable energy.

[Click here](#) to also find out the worldwide stats around:

- World rankings
- Research excellence
- Subject rankings
- Student satisfaction
- Graduate outcomes
- Making a difference

Have a question about ACU?

Click on 'Ask ACU' at the bottom of the [home page](#) for answers to your questions about courses, applications, offers, etc.

Bond University

Campus tours

Explore the Bond campus from wherever you are by [clicking here](#) and watching a tour of their facilities.

Central Queensland University



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Thinking of going to CQU?

Students new to CQU can find the following information and more on their Prepare For University website. Click [here](#) to find out more about:

- Explore courses
- Ready to get started?
- Course Fees
- Helpful Links

Griffith University

Guaranteed Admission Scheme categories

Griffith Uni offer a range of guaranteed admission options. Whether you're undertaking ATAR study, a VET qualification, part of their GUESTS program or just looking to lock in you study options sooner, there's a guaranteed admission option available for you. Click [here](#) to find out more about:

- Year 12 Early Offer scheme
- GUESTS Scheme
- VET Scheme
- ATAR/Rank Scheme

Student support

Griffith have a number of helpful tools and services to ensure you get the most out of your time at Griffith. You can access many of their support services remotely, either online or via phone. Below is a list of their [support services](#):

- Learning support
 - Study skills
 - Assessment
 - IT support
 - Career support
 - Work-integrated learning
 - Peer-Assisted study sessions
 - Student mentoring
- Health and Wellbeing support
 - Health, counselling and wellbeing
 - Crisis support
 - Violence, assault or harassment support
- Personal support
 - Financial support
 - Equity and diversity
 - Disability and accessibility support



Queensland University of Technology

BIOTech Challenge Queensland Chapter

The BIOTech Futures challenge is open to high school students in Years 9-12 who have an interest in science, health, engineering and innovation. You can enter as an individual or as a group of up to 5 people. The initiative connects high school students with world-class academics to think creatively about scientific inspired solutions to challenges in the fields of Health, Medicine, Sustainability, Humanitarian aid and the Environment. Interested in competing? [Register your interest](#) and QUT will send you details about the event, including how to register your team, the competition process and eligibility.

The University of Queensland

Engineering, Design and Computing High School Ambassador Program

Designed for Year 11 students interested in engineering, design, architecture or computing, the Ambassador Program provides students an avenue to deepen their knowledge and raise the profile of engineering, design or computing within their classrooms. The program will challenge students to develop their leadership abilities and communication skills while connecting with like-minded students across Queensland and Northern NSW. Nominations close on 1 March 2024. Click [here](#) for more information and registration details.

Rise for the World

Ambitious students aged 15-17 are invited to apply for Rise, a competitive program that features scholarships, mentorship, networking, and career development opportunities. Global Winners can even receive additional funding on their path towards solving humanity's most pressing problems. Applications close on 17 January 2024. Click [here](#) for more information and registration details.

Senior Research Immersion Program

The Senior Research Immersion Program provides you with an opportunity to work alongside a group of scientists and like-minded peers on pressing biomedical problems facing society. The program is open to students in Year 10, 11 and 12 throughout Queensland who have an interest in STEM. Over the 5 day program you will:

- Gain experience using the latest technology and techniques in our state-of-the-art PC2 biomedical research laboratory
- Collaborate with world ranked research teams on a live project
- Attend cutting-edge biomedical science research seminars
- Learn valuable academic research skills
- Showcase your findings in a research forum



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Click [here](#) for more information and 2024 session. Applications are now open.

Summer high school language program

The UQ Institute of Modern Languages (IML) offers IML high school language enrichment programs for students who are studying Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese or Spanish in Years 9, 10 11 or 12 in 2024. The goal of these programs is to increase students' proficiency and fluency by using the language for communicative purposes. The focus will be on enjoyment in an assessment-free environment while improving your listening, reading, speaking and writing skills in an immersive environment. The next program will be held 8-12 January 2024 with early bird fee available until 4 December 2023. Click [here](#) for more information and enrolment details.

UQ Science Ambassador Program

Expressions of interest for 2024 are now open for the UQ Science Ambassador Program. The aim of the program is to raise the profile of science within your school. Year 11 science students can be nominated by a teacher as a UQ Science Ambassador. Science Ambassadors receive a blazer badge, certificate, prizes and awards plus regular updates and invitations to science events. If you are interested speak to your Science teacher. Click [here](#) for more information and to register

Torrens University Australia

Early Entry Program, closing soon

You can apply to Torrens University through their Early Entry Program. A conditional offer is open to all Year 12 students and applying is easy. The program closes soon. [Click here](#) to find out more. Be aware that:

- There's no cost to apply
- There's no obligation to take up your offer
- Your offer can be deferred

University of Southern Queensland

Got some questions about UniSQ?

Are you considering study at UniSQ and have questions? [Book an appointment](#) to talk with a UniSQ representative for:

- International student enquiries
- Current student enquiries
- Domestic future student enquiries



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- Career advising practitioner
- Scholarship enquiries

Qualifications other than degrees that will get you places

A Uni degree isn't the only pathway to get you places! You might want to check out UniSQ's wide range of qualifications that give skills that will assist you in entering the workforce including:

- [Diplomas](#): A one-year qualification to kick-start your study
- [Upskill](#): Online mini courses with skills to implement in your current role
- [Pathways](#): Pathway programs to get you your place at university

UniPrep pathways

UniPrep is a free pathway to most UniSQ undergraduate degrees for high school students. It focuses on developing academic skills to prepare you for transition to university and success in your chosen undergraduate degree. Successful completion of UniPrep provides you with the English subject pre-requisite required for UniSQ degrees and ensures you are eligible to apply for a range of specified UniSQ undergraduate degrees. On successful completion of UniPrep, you will also be eligible for 2 QCE points. Click [here](#) for more information including application dates, eligibility and course structure.

University of the Sunshine Coast

Student support

University can be an exciting and sometimes unfamiliar journey and it's important to know where to get the support to make the transition easy and fun. [USC has a Student Support service](#) providing support in the following areas:

- Student success
- Health and wellbeing
- Accessibility and inclusion
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students
- Academic and study support
- Careers and employability
- Scholarships and financial support
- IT services
- Library
- Make connections
- International students



Upcoming Events

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event
14/11/2023	QUT's Year 12 Early Offer course preference change closes
15/11/2023	Bruce Dawe National Poetry Prize entries close
17/11/2023	UQ Enhanced Studies Program for 2024 Year 12 students close
17/11/2023	UQ's 2024 Semester 1 Enhanced Studies Program applications close
20/11/2023	ADF: Townsville: Army Reserve Information Session
21/11/2023	ADF: Cairns: Army Reserve Information Session
22/11/2023	ACU's Scholarships opportunities webinar
22/11/2023	CQUniversity online chat session
28/11/2023	ADF: Caboolture: A Night in the Army Reserve
28/11/2023	ADF: Greenbank: A Night in the Army Reserve
28/11/2023	ADF: Toowoomba: A Night in the Army Reserve
30/11/2023	UniSC scholarship applications close
30/11/2023	University of the Sunshine Coast Equity Bursaries applications close
01/12/2023	QUT Campus tours
04/12/2023	CAS Hawker Scholarships 2024 applications open
05/12/2023	ADF: Brisbane: Army Reserve Information Session
05/12/2023	ADF: Maroochydore: Army Reserve Information Session
05/12/2023	ADF: Townsville: Army Reserve Information Session
06/12/2023	QUT Garden Point and Kelvin Grove campuses
07/12/2023	QUT Campus tours



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08/12/2023	Aspiring teacher grants applications close
08/12/2023	Pearl Duncan teaching scholarship closing date
11/12/2023	QUT's Women in Engineering Scholarship applications close
12/12/2023	ADF: Cairns: Army Reserve Information Session
15/12/2023	QUT Real Decisions webinar
15/12/2023	Release of the 2023 ATAR results
18/12/2023	Griffith Uni's Vice Chancellor's Academic Achievement Scholarship

