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### **(HTMI) Hotel Tourism and Management Institute Australia – Information Session**

See more information under the Private Provider heading.

### **2019 TAFE at Schools Guide**

See the TAFE section in this bulletin for more information about the great TAFE at School opportunities.

### **Finding an apprenticeship or traineeship – case studies**

Not sure about what an apprenticeship 'looks like', what's involved or how to find employers? The Australian Apprenticeships My Gain channel on youtube has videos in which apprentices and trainees talk about their work and how they went about finding it. See the [My Gain website](#) to access the videos.

### **My Skills website**

On this [Government website](#) you can find information about nationally recognised training courses, registered training organisations, financial assistance and information on the following industries:

- Agriculture and Food processing
- Arts and CultureBusiness
- Education and Training
- Construction and Mining
- Defence industry
- Design
- Government, Safety and Environment
- Sports and Recreation
- Tourism and Hospitality
- Transport
- Utilities
- Health and Community Services
- Manufacturing and Engineering
- Science and Technology
- Retail, Hair and Beauty Services

Each sector has a 'Skills in Demand' section listing the skill shortages. Case studies and videos of people who have completed their training and gained entry to their preferred jobs are included.

# AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

## **Australian Defence Force (ADF) Job Finder**

If you are interested in joining the ADF but find it difficult to choose an ADF job, use the Job Finder on the [home page](#) to get you started. There is a short questionnaire that gathers information about you and then comes up with ADF job suggestions.

## **GAP Year**

A Gap Year in the Australian Defence Force is not only a chance to experience what a career in the Navy, Army or Air Force could be like, but also to have a year full of adventure, new friends, new skills, leadership, and travel. An ADF Gap Year is a truly unique opportunity for you to grow and figure out what next step you'll take in life. Time is running out to apply for a place in the 2020 Gap year program. Visit the [GAP year website page](#) for more information and how to apply ... but don't leave it too long or you will miss out.

## **Upcoming Australian Defence Force information sessions**

Find out about upcoming Queensland and National ADF events and information sessions by visiting the [Defence Jobs](#) website. View specific event information including: location, times and to book your tickets by clicking on this link. Further information about these events and Army Reserve Information Sessions can be accessed on the ADF [Facebook](#) site.

### **Upcoming Events:**

20/05/2019	<a href="#">Women in Defence Information Session Brisbane CBD</a>
21/05/2019	<a href="#">Gold Coast Defence Careers Information Session Robina</a>
21/05/2019	<a href="#">Gympie Defence Careers Information Session Gympie</a>
21/05/2019	<a href="#">Lockhart River Defence Careers Information Session Lockhart River</a>
21/05/2019	<a href="#">Toowoomba Defence Careers Information Session Toowoomba</a>
22/05/2019	<a href="#">Hervey Bay Defence Careers Information Session Hervey Bay</a>
23/05/2019	<a href="#">Bundaberg Defence Careers Information Session Bundaberg</a>
24/05/2019	<a href="#">Women in Defence Information Session Brisbane CBD</a>
27/05/2019	<a href="#">Gold Coast Women in Defence Information Session Robina</a>
28/05/2019	<a href="#">Charleville Defence Careers Information Session Charleville</a>
28/05/2019	<a href="#">Calamvale Defence Careers Information Session Calamvale</a>
29/05/2019	<a href="#">Roma Defence Careers Information Session Roma</a>

29/05/2019	<a href="#"><u>Maroochydore Defence Careers Information Session Maroochydore</u></a>
30/05/2019	<a href="#"><u>Chinchilla Defence Careers Information Session Chinchilla</u></a>
30/05/2019	<a href="#"><u>Cairns ADF Combat &amp; Security Roles Information Session Cairns</u></a>
03/06/2019	<a href="#"><u>Women in Defence Information Session Brisbane CBD</u></a>
03/06/2019	<a href="#"><u>Cairns Health Careers Information Session Cairns</u></a>

### **Your Future is Up – Find your ideal role in the Air Force**

Want to take your first step to a rewarding role with the Australian Air Force? Visit the [Your Future is Up website](#) and learn what your career path could be in the Royal Australian Air Force. You will also find information about the various roles in the Air Force. Start checking it out.





### **5-minute Career Explorer quiz**

[USQ's Career Explorer quiz](#) has been specially designed to help students identify the study areas in which their talents and interests will flourish and thrive. Based on Holland Occupational Themes (RAISEC) Theory, the Career Explorer quiz requires students to answer a few short questions to identify their interests, talents and preferences. From the results of this survey, students will learn about potential career options that could be well suited to their personality. Remember it won't tell you what you 'should become' but it can get you started on your investigations.

### **Go – Graduate Jobs Directory**

While the intended audience of this directory is university students, it has lots of useful information for students in Years 11 and 12 who are exploring their future options. This information includes:

- Grad Stats – these show the destination of degree graduates (under 25 years of age), based on their field of study, four months after they completed their course
- Career advice and self-assessment activities
- Profiles of graduates who are now employed
- Job search skills – including resumes, interviews, networking
- Industry snapshots – covers different industries, providing information about the jobs within the industry, earnings, future employment opportunities, etc.

You can download the directory from the [GraduateOpportunities.com website](http://GraduateOpportunities.com). Also on this webpage are specific ebooks for many Australian universities.

### **Is there a test that tells me my ideal job!**

That would make career decision making easier, wouldn't it? Unfortunately, it's not that simple. However, there are many tests that can help identify your career interests, work values, skills, aptitudes, personality, etc. at any one point in your life when you do the tests. While there isn't just one ideal job for you, assessment tools can increase your self-awareness and usually, provide you with a list of possible jobs based on how you responded to the test questions. This information can be used to begin your career exploration to find a job that matches up with what you now know about yourself. The following tests/questionnaires are examples of assessment tools that can be used to come up with job ideas. Alternatively, you could visit your school Guidance Counsellor/Officer and ask them about tests or questionnaires they recommend to help you begin your career exploration.

- [myfuture](#) – My career profile (Sign up when first entering this site).
- [Job Outlook](#) – Career quiz.
- [Career Quest](#) – This is on a New Zealand career website.
- [Jung Typology Test](#) – This is a personality test.
- [Career Interest Explorer](#) – The focus is jobs that require VET qualifications.

# Competitions

## **Get Writing Prize**

If you are a high school student in years 10-12 with a passion for writing poetry or short stories this competition is for you! Enter to win \$100 and mentoring by USQ students. Competition closes 27 May 2019 so visit the [website](#) to find out how to enter and get writing!

## **ReelOzInd – Short film competition**

Submissions are now open for the 2019 ReelOzInd - Australia Indonesia Short Film Competition. You are required to submit animation, documentary or fiction short films of no longer than 10 minutes that relate to the competition theme, 'berubah / change'. Details are on the [ReelOzInd website](#).

### **Upcoming Events:**

10/08/2019

[Reel OzInd – Short Film competition closes](#)

## **The One–Minute Film Competition 2019**

This competition provides Australian and New Zealand primary and secondary students with the opportunity to make a 60-second short film or animation. The theme for this year's competition is 'Loyalty'. The first-place prizes include filmmaking prize packs valued at over \$550 for the two primary school categories and over \$900 for the two secondary school categories. Entries close midday AEST, Friday 2 August. The winners will be announced at the [Atom Awards Event](#), to be held in Melbourne on Wednesday 13 November 2019. Find out more on the [1-minute film competition website](#).

### **Upcoming Events:**

02/08/2019

[1 Minute Film Competition](#)

# Disabilities

## **School Leavers Employment Supports (SLES)**

[School Leavers Employment Supports \(SLES\)](#) is an early intervention approach for Year 12 school leavers. It's designed to support the transition from school to employment. On the National Disability Insurance Agency [website](#) you can find out more about the School Leavers Employment Supports, how SLES works, provider expectations and download provider resources.

## **Ticket to Work**

[Ticket to Work](#) is a National Initiative to improve employment outcomes for young people with disability. [Ticket to Work](#) believes that every young person has the right to an employment pathway. Their mission is to ensure that young Australians with disability have the opportunities to exercise that right. Ticket to Work prepares young people for the world of work and provides them with an open employment pathway in their transition from school. To find out more visit their [website](#) and find if there is a [service near you](#).

# Employment

## **Communication skills essential in the workforce - what do they look like?**

Everyone in the workforce needs to understand and develop excellent communication skills. Communication is the key ingredient in a positive workplace, positive individual workplace experiences, positive workplace relationships and overall personal and workplace success. Incorporating the following elements into your conversations and interactions with others will assist you in developing great communication skills.

### **1. Think first ... open your mouth second - have a clear idea about what you are wanting to say**

Begin with a clear statement of your idea or purpose for the conversation or interaction.

### **2. Illustration (Give examples)**

Provide the listener with stories or models of what this concept idea looks like in real life. This enables them to process the information in a way that accelerates understanding.

### **3. Conversation - Talk about it**

Have the conversation in an environment that the listener feels comfortable in and not distracted. This helps in their ability to process the information or idea you are presenting it

### **4. Summarise**

Summarise your ideas restating the idea or issue, pros and cons, preferred option or outcome and actions needed to be taken

### **5. Patience and tone**

Be patient with people's understanding and processing of your point or issue. And when talking to them make sure the tone in your voice is not challenging or defensive ... as they say 'it's not what you say but the way you say it'!

## **The Hidden Job Market**

The hidden jobs market is a term used to describe jobs that aren't posted online or advertised. It is estimated to be from 50 - 80 % of the entire jobs market (depending on what you read!). To access the hidden jobs market, you need to network. Networking is not just about meeting lots of people. Effective

networking means being focused by first deciding what sort of work you want. Then you need to identify employers who offer that sort of work. A helpful website that lists large employers in Australia is [Job Adviser](#). Your social network (family, friends, friends' parents, neighbours, etc.) can also help you identify employers.

It is important to put dollars at the bottom of your priority list, particularly when you're starting out. Also, you may not get your ideal job first up. It is more important to find an employer and a job that gives you a pathway you want to take. Approach employers who look promising. There's a fine line between being persistent and being annoying, so always be very conscious and respectful of people's time. If you say you want to work for an organisation, have a clear set of reasons why; saying, 'because you look like a cool company' isn't a very strong reason. Instead think about their values as a business, the market they operate in, their reputation, how they fit in with your own vision of the work you want to do.

Visit the [Youth Central website](#) for more tips on accessing the hidden jobs market.

# Financial Assistance & Scholarships



## **Bond University scholarships for 2020 are open online**

Bond's scholarship program offers many full-fee and part-fee scholarships as well as cash bursaries. Most scholarships can be used for any single or combined program (except for the Medical Program). Visit the [Scholarship webpage](#) for more information, to download the scholarship brochure and to access the application tips. Scholarship applications for Year 12s must be lodged online using the Bond University application form.

## **Commonwealth Supported Places and HELP Loans**

Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) is a place at a university or higher education provider where the government pays part of your fees. This part is a subsidy, not a loan, and you don't have to pay it back.

This subsidy does not cover the entire cost of your study. Students must pay the balance of the tuition fee, called the 'student contribution amount'. For more information about Commonwealth Supported Places and your eligibility visit the [Study Assist website](#).

Those students who have a CSP can get a HECS-HELP loan to pay for their studies. A HECS-HELP loan does not cover costs like accommodation, laptops or text books, only tuition fees. To find out more information about HECS-HELP loans visit the [Study Assist website](#).



## *Gap Year Program News*

### **African Conservation Experience (ACE) for Gap Year students**

ACE works with conservation projects in South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe and Mauritius. Project options include working in a wildlife care centre, having a wildlife veterinary experience or becoming a marine conservation volunteer. For more information about this organisation and its projects, see the [ACE website](#) and check out their [facebook](#) page. It is wise to do your homework regarding organisations and destinations.

### **Camp America**

Want to work in the summer holidays camps in America. Find out more information by visiting their [website](#). 2020 applications will open in July 2019 [Click here](#) to preregister.

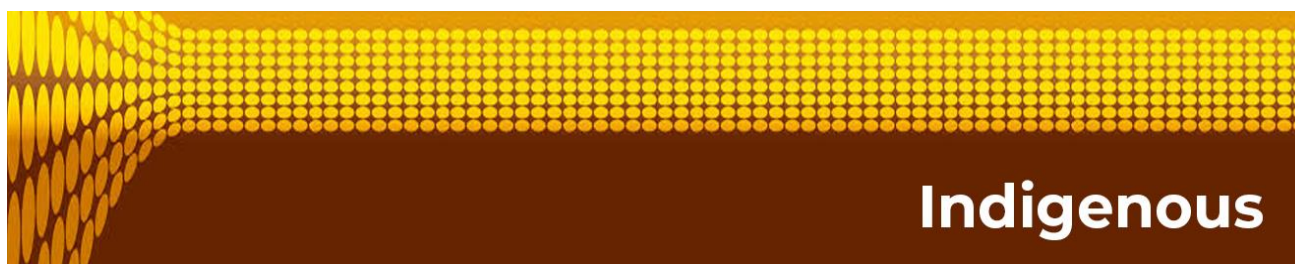
### **Southern Cross Cultural Exchange (SCCE)**

If you are considering applying for a student exchange program, you and your parents are encouraged to attend a SCCE information session or join in a webinar session. The sessions are designed to give students and parents a realistic overview of the process, the countries, the experience and the benefits of combining learning and friendship through student exchange. Visit their [website](#) to find out when and where the information sessions will be held or contact SCCE on 1800 500 501 or email [scceaust@scce.com.au](mailto:scceaust@scce.com.au) if you require further information.

### **World Education Program Student Exchange**

WEP will hold information sessions in Brisbane, Cairns, Mackay, Toowoomba and Townsville and have scheduled regular online information sessions throughout 2019. Details and registration information are on [Information Sessions website](#).





### **Johnathon Thurston Academy**

[Johnathon Thurston Academy](#) aims to be a leading national provider of outstanding initiatives and training programs aimed at health, wellbeing, sport and education across Australia. The Academy's key strength is developing and delivering high quality programs to individuals, equipping them with the right skills, knowledge and attributes to make a significant and positive future impact.

The Academy has created a unique and sophisticated platform that streamlines all employment and training opportunities between jobseekers and employers. The main objective is to ensure that locals throughout the regions have access to employment and training opportunities. Visit the [Johnathon Thurston Academy website](#) to find out more.

### **USQ: Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program (IHEPP)**

USQ's Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program (IHEPP) is the perfect way to start studying at university. The pathway has been developed to give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people the academic skills needed for university study. If you do not have the right school qualification when you finish Year 12 this program provides you with an opportunity to study 3 or 6 courses (subjects), all with an Indigenous focus, to develop your writing, maths, general study and computing skills. The program is free and you can apply for a number of Australian Government scholarships to help you with the costs of study and relocation expenses if you need to move. For more information about the program, entry requirements and how to apply visit the [USQ's Indigenous Higher Education Pathways Program website](#).



### **Helpful websites for researching overseas study options**

[Study and play USA](#) - Provide the knowledge, experience and expertise student-athletes need to travel to the USA to live, play, learn, compete, study, grow in a purpose fit university.

[Education USA](#) – This site offers a five-step approach to researching study in the USA.

[International Student](#) – Provides access to resources for study in USA, Canada and UK.

[OS Top Universities](#) – Provides information on the highest ranked universities in the world.

[Study Link](#) – This site has a search tool that gives you access to thousands of courses from institutions around the world.

[Study Portals](#) – Allows you to search globally for institutions and courses.

[Times Higher Education World University Rankings](#) – A website set up by the company behind the world's most influential university ranking on every continent across the world.

[OS-HELP on the Study Assist website](#) - OS- HELP is a loan available to eligible Australian students enrolled in a Commonwealth supported place who want to undertake some of their study overseas.

[Smartraveller](#) – This Australian Government website provides information for Australian travellers.

[Study in Canada](#) – You can use this site to explore institutions and courses in Canada.

[Study in New Zealand](#) – A course search and information about qualifications and scholarships available.

[British Council: Study UK](#) – Everything you need to know about studying in the United Kingdom.

[Ministry of Education, Singapore](#) – Provides general information about studying in Singapore.

# Job Info

## **A Job you may not have known about**

Binders, Finishers and Screen Printers

Print finishers and screen printers bind books and other publications, finish printed products by hand and machine, prepare stencils and set up and operate power-driven and hand-operated screen print equipment. The qualification is Certificate III including at least two years of on-the-job training, a Certificate IV, or at least three years of relevant experience, is usually needed. Sometimes experience of on-the-job training is needed in addition to a qualification. [Click here](#) for more information about the tasks done and conditions

## **Is your future on track? Explore rail careers**

The [Rail Career Pathways website](#) contains information for school leavers interested in a rail career. Explore the A – Z rail jobs listing on the site. Links to employer organisations are included.

## **The Job I Love website**

This [website](#) focuses on 12 different jobs in the service industries, including business, fitness, community pharmacy, retail, hairdressing, beauty, community recreation, outdoor recreation and floristry. The information provided for each industry includes the jobs available, the duties for each job and the training required for each job.

## **Ultimate Careers – Explore careers of the future**

Australia's Science Channel has developed the [Ultimate Careers website](#). From this site, you can access resources and activities that explore jobs of the future, with a focus on STEM career opportunities. You can watch videos, read articles and sign up to receive the latest news.

## **What careers use mathematics?**

Did you know that Zoo Keepers, Meteorologists, Builders, Mechanics and Hairdressers use Maths in their work? These jobs are included in the 21 career profiles on the [Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute website](#). You can also check out the [Careers with Maths magazine](#) for more information about exciting careers that use Maths.

## **Women In STEM**

If you like the problem solving and creative thinking around Maths, [Careers With STEM](#) has a great section on [Women in STEM](#) which has profiled more than 75 women who are combining their interest in STEM and their passion and interest.

# Open Days, Expos & Career Markets



## **How to make the best use of a career expo**

The purpose of a career expo is to give you an opportunity to explore your future options in employment, training and/or higher education. While there are many resources available that provide this information, a career expo offers a unique opportunity as it has a broad range of information in the same place at the same time. Also, you can gather brochures to take home as well as get accurate, up-to-date information from representatives who can answer your questions, usually on the spot. However, to get the most out of a career expo, you need to do some preparation. First, go onto the expo website (most expos have a website) to find out about:

- The exhibitors - industries, organisations, universities, colleges, TAFE, employers, etc. who will have a stand at the expo
- Activities - some expos have activities such as 'Try-a-Trade'
- Seminars or workshops
- Competitions – some expos use these as a drawcard for people to attend.

Make a list of the exhibitors, activities and seminars/workshops you want to visit. List the information you are looking for and/or the questions you want answered.

Most expos have a map of exhibitors (i.e. where their stands are located on the expo site). Use this to get around the expo to get the information you want. You could also look at who else is there. After the expo, it is a good idea to review your information and reflect on how this information might influence your future decision making. You could talk this over with your school Guidance Counsellor/Officer.

## **New York Film Academy (NYFA)**

The [New York Film Academy Australia](#) promotes the art of Visual Storytelling (Film and related media including staged performance). The New York Film Academy Australia is located in Southport on the Gold Coast. Students also get the opportunity to do production work in the backlot of the internationally renowned Village Roadshow Studios adjacent to the Warner Bros Movie World Theme Park. For more information visit the [NYFA website](#) and for more information about the programs email [goldcoast@nyfa.edu](mailto:goldcoast@nyfa.edu)

## **Study to be an enrolled nurse at the Mater**

Mater Education offers a Diploma of Nursing. The course is delivered on a full-time or part-time basis. VET Student Loans are available for eligible students. Year 12 students apply directly to Mater Education, not through QTAC. The full-time course now has quarterly intakes each year, in January, April, July and October.

There is one intake per year for the part-time course commencing in January. See the [Mater Education website](#) for more information. Students who successfully complete the Diploma of Nursing may gain up to one year's credit towards a three-year Bachelor of Nursing. Indigenous and refugee background applicants may be eligible for a scholarship.

# Private Provider Updates

## **(HTMi) Hotel Tourism and Management Institute Australia – Information Session**

HTMi Australia (Hotel and Tourism Management Institute) will be holding an Information session on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June from 5.30 to 7pm. The event will be held at the Novotel Brisbane and will enable HTMi to showcase their Diploma of International Hotel and Tourism Management along with their partnership with AccorHotels.

For more information and to register for to this event, visit our [website](#). RSVPs are essential as places are limited.

## **Queensland Police Recruiting seminars**

If you are interested in exploring the career opportunities within the Queensland Police Service, you can attend a seminar. Seminars are held throughout the year. Queensland Police also have a stall at most career expos in Queensland. Visit the [website](#) for dates and bookings.

## **Study Dance at Christian Heritage Centre (CHC)**

CHC offers Dance units within the School of Education, Humanities and Business. Students can choose to include Dance units as part of their major or minor area of study in Education, or as elective units within any CHC course. Read about the Dance units on the [CHC website](#).





# QTAC & Tertiary Entry

## **2018 popular study areas**

According to QTAC data, the following were the top six most popular study options for 2018 Year 12 students across the universities:

1. Health
2. Society and Culture
3. Management and commerce
4. Sciences
5. Creative Arts
6. Engineering

## **2020 Prerequisites**

You can find the individual university and private provider prerequisites, assumed knowledge and recommended study for entry in 2020 on the [QTAC site](#) (scroll down page).

Before you choose your senior subjects, it is essential that current Year 10 students identify any prerequisites, assumed knowledge and recommended study for the courses that they are interested in at the end of Year 12. Not all universities and institutions have the same prerequisites, assumed knowledge or recommended study requirements, so it is essential that you check all universities and institutions. [Click here](#) (and scroll to the bottom of the page) for a list of the universities and institutions and their prerequisites, assumed knowledge and recommended studies for 2020.

## **English eligibility for ATAR in 2020**

QTAC, who will be calculating individual ATARs, has outlined [eligibility requirements](#) students must meet to be awarded an ATAR. Student must have:

- satisfactorily completed an English subject
- completed five general subjects, or four general subjects plus one applied subject or VET course at AQF certificate III or above
- accumulated their subject results within a five-year period.

### **Important to note:**

- Not all English subjects will meet the English prerequisite requirements for universities and courses. You must check each university's prerequisites.



- While students must satisfactorily complete an English subject to be eligible for an ATAR, the result in English will only be included in the ATAR calculation if it is one of the student's best five subjects.
- All five English subjects will count toward ATAR.

### **Key dates for 2019/2020**

Year 12 students should put the following important dates in their diaries:

- 1 August 2019 QTAC Applications open
- 30 September 2019 Final date to apply for some courses
- 15 November 2019 First Offer round for Year 12 students
- 13 December 2019 Due date to apply and submit documents for January offer round
- 14 December 2019 Qld Year 12 results released online
- 23 December 2019 First offer round after Year 12 results are released
- 7 January 2019 final date to change preferences for January round
- 15 January 2020 Offer round for many Semester 1 courses
- Further offers Late Jan/ Feb/ March 2020 Further offers made for Semester 1

### **Tertiary entry questions from current Year 12 students**

#### **Q. - How do I apply to university for next year?**

**A. -** You apply through [QTAC](#) for most Queensland tertiary courses. Applications to tertiary institutions in other states are through [tertiary admissions centres](#) like QTAC. You apply directly to all other institutions.

#### **Q. - What is QTAC?**

**A. -** The [Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre](#) (QTAC) is a public, not-for-profit company that manages the application and offer processes for universities, TAFE Queensland and some private colleges in Queensland (three interstate institutions are also included). QTAC does not make the rules about entry to courses. The institutions make the rules and QTAC administers these rules.

#### **Q. - How many courses can I apply for through QTAC?**

**A. -** You can apply for up to six courses from any of the institutions that use QTAC. You receive only one offer (if you meet the prerequisites and have a competitive OP or Rank) at any given offer round. Find out more on the [Preferences page](#) of the QTAC website.

#### **Q. - How are applicants selected for courses through QTAC?**

**A. -** There are usually more applicants than available places for many of the courses. Selection is based on meeting minimum entry requirements (prerequisite subjects, folio, audition, etc.) and on merit (OP or Rank). Once minimum entry requirements are met, applicants compete on the basis of merit for competitive courses.

#### **Q.-What is the difference between undergraduate and postgraduate courses?**

**A.** - The term 'undergraduate' is normally applied to diploma, advanced diploma, associate degree and bachelor degree courses. 'Postgraduate' usually applies to courses you can study after completing a bachelor degree, e.g. graduate certificate, graduate diploma, masters and doctorate.

### **Which is the best university?**

All Australian universities offer accredited courses that can lead to employment. Consequently, the better question is 'Which is the best university for me?' Consider the following when researching universities.

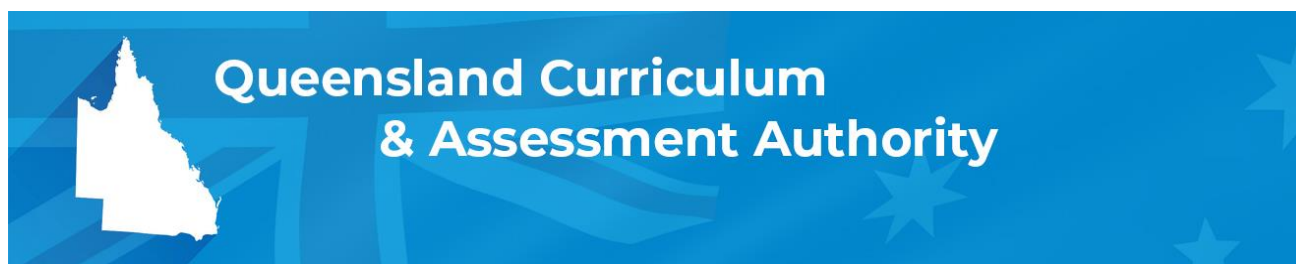
- Is the course offered at this university a pathway to the job I eventually want?
- Where is this university located? Can I realistically travel there? What are the transport options?
- Will the university help me gain work experience in my career area of interest while I do the course?
- How hard is it to get into this course at this university?
- Are the courses at this university full-fee or are they subsidised by the Commonwealth Government and eligible for HECS-HELP?
- If the courses are full-fee, is the institution accredited for FEE-HELP?
- Where do students of this course at this university go after they graduate?
- What support services are available at this university?
- What co-curricular activities (sport, clubs, etc.) are available at this university?
- What is the 'atmosphere' or working and social environment of the university like?
- Is it important to me to go to the same university as my friends?

These websites can help you with your research.

- [QILT](#) (Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching) can help you compare study experience and employment outcomes data from Australian higher education institutions to select the institution with all the qualities you want.
- [Rate Your Uni](#) gives you student ratings for Australian universities.
- [The Good Universities Guide](#) has a course and institution search function and information on careers and scholarships. It also has a rating section for all Australian universities.
- [Study Assist](#) provides information on Australian Government financial assistance for further study.

Other sources of information are:

- Open days and career expos – access information from the [Open days and expos page](#) on the QTAC website. Term three is big for open days.
- University brochures – obtain these at open days, career expos and university websites
- University websites
- Current students at the university (you will have access to these students at open days).



### **Literacy and Numeracy requirements for Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) in 2020**

To be issued a QCE, students need to accrue the set amount of learning, at the set standard, in a set pattern, while meeting literacy and numeracy requirements. These requirements are aimed at ensuring students complete their senior schooling with the knowledge and skills they need for success in life beyond school. The QCE is issued to eligible students when they meet all requirements, usually at the end of Year 12.

The literacy and numeracy requirements can be met through a range of options. It is important when planning your senior subjects (and throughout your senior studies) that you know and understand the QCE literacy and numeracy requirements and that you choose correctly.

One way for a senior student in Queensland to meet the literacy standards is to study QCAA General or Applied English subjects for Unit 1, Unit 2, or a Unit 3 and 4 pair. These subjects include English, English & Literature Extension, English as an Additional Language, Literature and/or Essential English.

One way for a senior student in Queensland to meet the numeracy standards is to study QCAA General or Applied Mathematics subjects for Unit 1, Unit 2, or a Unit 3 and 4 pair. These subjects include General Mathematics, Mathematical Methods, Specialist Mathematics and/or Essential Mathematics. The set standard for both literacy and numeracy is satisfactory completion in Unit 1 or Unit 2 or a grade of C or better in a Unit 3 and 4 pair

[Click here](#) to find out about the QCE literacy and numeracy requirements for Year 12 students from 2020 onwards.



# *Study Skills*

## **Staying motivated**

With the pressure of assignments, exams, social events (Who should I take to the formal? or Will he/she ask me to the formal?), and career and course decision making, it is easy to lose sight of the goals you set yourself for your senior studies. The following suggestions may help you regain the momentum you had at the beginning of the year.

**One step at a time** - Getting motivated again takes a little time. So, just pick a small task, and address that. Break big projects and assignments into smaller ones, and tackle just one, then another. Before you know it, you're starting to feel like you're achieving something, and that will boost your confidence.

**Be realistic** - Lack of motivation can sometimes happen when you doubt your ability to achieve your goals and projects. Maybe you're demanding too much of yourself. Look at what you've got on your plate: is it realistic? If not, try and reduce the workload by talking to teachers, guidance officers/counsellors and parents. They're human too!

**Take a break** - Sometimes, all you need to motivate yourself again is to take a break. Go for a walk, catch up with friends, treat yourself to a movie or a meal. It's amazing how walking away from the immediate issues can help you see them with fresh eyes when you get back to them.

**Reward yourself** - Go on, have a treat! You may think you're not doing so well, so think about what you have already achieved, and reward yourself for that.

**Remember the dream** - If you're losing motivation, you're probably caught up with the day-to-day detail. Just remind yourself why you're doing this - to live a comfortable, successful, independent life. Now picture what that will be like. Feeling better?

**Ask for help** - If you're not clear on an assignment, ask your teacher or a fellow student. Just discussing the issues may make it clearer and kick start your energy.

**Read a biography** - Many of the famous, successful people we admire faced difficulties and failure in their lives. A biography will put your current challenges in context and allow you to see you're not alone.

If you need more inspiration, view [The secret behind staying motivated](#) on the University of Southern Queensland's website.

## **2019 TAFE at Schools Guide**

If you are a Year 11 or 12 student, you can complete a TAFE Queensland qualification while you are still at school. Choose from a variety of certificate I to certificate III courses from a range of study areas including Animal Studies, Automotive, Beauty and Hairdressing, Building and Construction, Business and Justice Studies, Early Childhood, Electrotechnology, Engineering, Fashion, Horticulture, IT, Logistics, Media and Digital Design, Music and Sound Production, Service and Allied Health, Sports and Recreation, Tourism and Events and Visual Arts. The Guide lists courses students can do while they are still at school with the approval of their school and parents. Benefits of TAFE at School are:

- Fits around your high school studies
- Direct entry to a TAFE Queensland diploma
- University pathways
- Has flexible study options

[Download the Guide](#) from the TAFE website.

## **Degree qualifications through TAFE Queensland**

TAFE Queensland deliver world-class degrees in a practical, job-focused training environment. Students get the best of both worlds — the theoretical side of a university degree, with the applied-learning style that see graduates highly sought after by employers. TAFE have partnered with some of Australia's most respected universities to provide students with up-to-date skills for a changing workforce, along with the adaptable thinking needed to make your mark in any industry. [Click here](#) to see the range of Degree courses offered through TAFE Queensland.

## **Interested in a career in the dental industry?**

TAFE Qld offers the following dental courses. For more information about these courses, ring 1300 308 233 or visit this [website](#).

**Certificate III in Dental Assisting** – Dental Assistants assist the Dentist or Dental Hygienist in several ways including preparing the surgery for patient treatment, sterilizing instruments, chair side assistance, exposing and processing dental X-rays and reception duties when required. Course details are available [here](#).

**Diploma of Dental Technology** – Dental Technologists work in laboratories. They make crowns, bridges and dentures after receiving an impression of the patient's teeth from a Dentist. The Dental Technology course is delivered at the South Bank campus over two years. Course details are available [here](#).

**Bachelor of Dental Prosthetics** - Dental Prosthetists work as registered independent practitioners in the assessment, treatment, management and provision of removable dentures and flexible removable mouthguards used for sporting activities. The Dental Prosthetics degree is offered at the South Bank campus. It is a three-year course. Course details are available [here](#).

### **New programs on offer at TAFE**

TAFE Queensland are now offering courses in the following areas:

- [Certificate IV Cybersecurity](#)
- [Cert IV Mental Health](#)
- [Diploma of Database Design and Development](#)

All Diplomas are 12 months in length.



### **ACU: Adjustment factors**

Adjustment factors can make you more competitive for entry into courses at ACU. They are usually applied by QTAC when they are allocating places during each round offer. At ACU there is usually a maximum of 12 adjustment factors applied across all programs. [Click here](#) for more information and to check students' eligibility.

### **ACU: Thinking of studying teaching after school but don't have the prerequisites?**

If you did not meet the prerequisites you can study one of these courses for one year completing 80 credit points of successful study and then move into one of the following teacher education course:

- [Bachelor of Educational Studies](#) as a pathway for the primary teaching courses
- [Bachelor of Arts](#) as a pathway for all secondary teaching courses
- [Diploma of Educational Studies \(Tertiary Preparation\)](#)

### **ACU: University Experience Day**

This event will be held at the ACU Brisbane campus on Thursday 4 July 2019. On the day you can participate in workshops related to the degrees offered at ACU, meet staff and current students, check out the campus, get tips on preparing for uni and enjoy the entertainment. [Registrations](#) for this ACU event are now open.

### **CQU: CQUniversity Online Chat Session**

Got questions about TAFE or university? Get the answers at the Online Chat Session. Click [here](#) for more information about this event.

### **CQU: CQUniversity Upcoming Career Expos**

If you are interested in finding out more about CQUni come along to one of their career expos where you will have the opportunity to speak with CQUni lecturers and current students.



### **CQU: Study at CQUni at their Brisbane campus**

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

- Bachelor of Echocardiography and Cardiac Physiology / Graduate Diploma of Echocardiography - a course that would interest students looking for a career in Science and/or Health care. If you like anatomy, biology and helping people you may want to research this degree. Visit their [website](#) for more information.
- Bachelor of Digital Media – a course for students with a flair for design who are keen to create digital media works using soft wear tools and techniques. Find out more on their [website](#).
- Bachelor of Science (Chiropractic) – an evidence based degree, you will develop patient assessment skills and therapeutic approaches to manage common musculoskeletal issues like back, neck and shoulder pain, headaches, movement problems and more. To find out more visit their [website](#).
- Bachelor of Accident Forensics – a course for students who love TV shows like Mythbusters, Air Crash Investigation or Seconds from Disaster. You will learn a range of analysis techniques to identify accident causes and more importantly, how to prevent it repeating. To find out more visit their [website](#).

### **GU: Griffith Uni GUESTS applications for Trimester 2 now open**

Applications close 15 June for Griffith University's Early Start to Tertiary Studies (GUESTS) on-campus and online applications are currently open to high achieving year 11 and 12 students for Trimester 2, 2019. Students can apply to undertake a first year university course from most Griffith degrees. Students who successfully complete their university course (subject) are eligible for two adjustment ranks towards their OP/ATAR when applying for Griffith and credit transfer once they commence their related degree. Find out more on the [Griffith University GUESTS](#) webpage, phone 1800 677 728 or email [guests\\_enquiry@griffith.edu.au](mailto:guests_enquiry@griffith.edu.au)

### **GU: Griffith Uni Tertiary Preparation Workshop for entry to the Bachelor of Music**

Open Conservatorium Griffith University offers Tertiary Preparation Workshops to help you stand out from the pack at your audition for the Bachelor of Music at the Queensland Conservatorium. Whether you're in your final years of high school or a mature-age student applying for entry to a university music degree, this program can help you better prepare for the theoretical and practical requirements of the audition process. The workshop will run from 1 – 5 July 2019. For more information visit their [event information page](#).

### **GU: GriffithBUSINESS Ambassador Program Registrations open**

The GriffithBUSINESS Year 10 and Year 11 Ambassadors Program offers students their first real look at university life, whilst providing them with a greater understanding of social innovation and social enterprise through working with academic staff from Griffith University. Attend a workshop at the Gold Coast campus on 11 June 2019, Logan Campus 12 June 2019 and Nathan Campus on 13 June 2019.



Students completing the Ambassador program attend campus to experience life as a university student. A Griffith Lecturer hosts the day conducting a lecture presentation and interactive activity. Students work in groups with students from other schools, concluding the day with a group presentation. [Registrations now open at all campuses.](#)

### **QUT: “No Walls”**

Visit “no walls” for an insight into creative careers - Interested in a creative career but not sure what jobs are available? QUT’s [no walls site](#) includes profiles of graduates and their career path, as well as staff and student stories and events.

### **QUT: Autonomous Robot Rescue**

Use your engineering prowess, coding skills and a remotely operated robot arm to rescue injured workers at a building site. In this workshop students will learn about systems engineering and real-world rescue robots. Students assume the role of senior systems engineer, managing the safe rescue of an injured worker on a hazardous building site. Topics covered in this workshop are

- Robotics
- Coding
- Inverse kinematics
- Trigonometry

For more information speak with your guidance officer or career counsellor. You can also visit the [QUT website](#).

### **QUT: Careers and Employment Expo**

[QUT](#) will be at the upcoming Careers and Employment Expo at Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre on 24 and 25 May 2019. Get your questions about university answered by our staff and students at Queensland's largest careers, training, education and employment expo.

Talk to our staff and students about QUT courses, gaining entry to university and life as a university student.

### **QUT: Focus on: Bachelor of Justice**

Make a difference with careers including policing, customs, youth justice, intelligence and more. Undertake professional placement to graduate job ready.

If you want to make a difference and pursue a career where no two days are the same, this course is the right choice for you. The possibilities are endless for building a stimulating career in the community—not just behind a desk. You will graduate job ready by exploring the most recent theory and practice of social justice, and gain problem-solving, analytical and applied computer skills that are relevant to the workplace.

Choose from two majors—policy and governance or criminology and policing. Expand your interests with secondary majors in law and psychology. Minors in Indigenous knowledges, forensic science and management are also available, with both policy and governance and criminology and policing available as a secondary major and minor as well.

Delivery: Study on-campus or external

Duration: 3 years full-time

Campus: Gardens Point

2019 entry thresholds: OP 13/ Selection Rank 72.

Course page: <https://www.qut.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-justice>

### **QUT: Learning through the QUTopia marketplace**

Each year QUT marketing students gain hands-on skills and industry connections by participating in the [QUTopia marketing simulation](#). They develop a marketing plan, produce a product or service and sell it at market days. They then analyse their performance using tools such as market share calculations, competitor analysis, profitability and customer retention ratios.

### **UQ Exercise and Nutrition Sciences as your pathway to Medicine**

According to UQ's School of Human Movement and Nutrition, the [B Exercise and Nutrition Sciences](#) is a recommended pathway to UQ's Doctor of Medicine program. Read the rationale for this on the [School's website](#). Read about other pathways to medicine on the [School of Medicine website](#).

### **UQ Facts and myths**

Did you know that a full-time course means being at uni from 9 am – 5 pm five days a week? **NOT!** This and other myths are busted on the [Facts and Myths about UQ webpage](#).

### **UQ: Auditions for the 2020 B Music (Honours) Program**

The UQ School of Music invites applications from everyone who is interested in auditioning for a place in the B Music (Honours) program commencing in Semester 1 2020. The auditions will be held in September 2019 and application information and forms are available on the [School of Music website](#).

#### **Upcoming Events:**

15/08/2019

[UQ audition application for Bachelor of Music \(Honours\) close.](#)

## **UQ: Changes to MD admissions information**

UQ's revised admission process is designed to ensure the highly sought-after places in the MD program are offered to applicants who demonstrate the attributes and abilities most suited to the profession of medicine, and most likely to succeed in the MD program. These changes will be progressively introduced between 2019 and 2022. [Click here](#) for more information.

There are two major changes to the entry requirements for the MD Program at UQ

- **Impacting current Year 10 students, or younger:** UQ are introducing a [Mini Multiple Interview](#) as part of the selection process.
- **Impacting all prospective students:** The introduction of [prerequisite subjects](#) to ensure students are well prepared for the first two years of the program.

Contact UQ Admissions with any questions at [admissions@uq.edu.au](mailto:admissions@uq.edu.au) or call or phone (07) 3365 2203 or see your Guidance officer/career counsellor at your school.

## **UQ: Young Scholars Program for 2019 - 2020**

This program provides high achieving Year 11 students with an opportunity to discover, learn and engage with UQ's academic community and like-minded students from across Queensland. For more information, visit the [Young Scholars Program webpage](#). The 5 day residential camp at St Lucia campus will be held from 1 to 5 December 2019. Applications for the program open on 27 May 2019.

### **Upcoming Events:**

27/05/2019	<a href="#">UQ Young Scholars Program Applications Open</a>
01/12/2019	<a href="#">UQ Young Scholars Program St Lucia Campus</a>

## **USC: Career Directory**

Know the career they're looking for but not sure which degree will take you there? Use the career directory on the [USC website](#) to find the right USC degree.

## **USC: Career resources**

The USC [Deciding on a Career webpage](#) has lots of tips to help you with your career and course decisions.

## **USC: Voices on the Coast**

This is an annual youth literature festival for students in Years 4 – 12 presented by Immanuel Lutheran College and USC. It will be held from 17 to 20 July 2019 at the USC Sippy Downs campus. See the [Voices on the Coast website](#) for details.

## **USQ: Semester 2 Head Start applications now open**

The USQ Head Start program is an opportunity for high achieving Year 11 and 12 students to get a 'head start' on their university studies and experience what it's like to be a university student. For more information on this program and the application process, check out USQ's [Head Start page](#). Applications close 1 July 2019.

## **USQ: Top five courses options in 2019**

The following were the most popular courses in 2019:

- [Bachelor of Education](#)
- [Bachelor of Nursing](#)
- [Bachelor of Business and Commerce](#)
- [Bachelor of Science](#)
- [Bachelor of Engineering \(Honours\)](#)

Click on the links to see if they interest you.

## **USQ: Year 9 – 10 Careers day**

USQ Careers Day 2019 provides Years 9 and 10 high school students with an on campus experience that aims to explore study options and inspire interest in a range of different career pathways. Based on their interests, students will be able to choose to attend a number of fun, interactive sessions covering a range of subject areas facilitated by USQ academics and industry guest speakers currently working in the field. Representatives from TAFE Queensland and the Australian Defence Force will also be facilitating sessions. Students will also receive information to help with senior high school subject selection.

### **Upcoming Events:**

25/06/2019	<a href="#">25/06/2019 Years 9 – 10 Careers Day Toowoomba</a>
27/06/2019	<a href="#">Years 9 – 10 Careers Day Ipswich</a>