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AusAPP Pathways: Free app for apprenticeships and traineeships

[AusAppPathways](#) is a free app that helps students and jobseekers explore Australian Apprenticeships career pathway ideas on their smartphone or tablet. Users can access:

- General industry options as well as specific apprenticeships and traineeships
- Links to job hunting and career research sites
- Contacts for local Apprenticeship Network providers and Group Training Organisations.

AusAppPathways is available for both Apple and Android devices. A 'Guide to Using AusAppPathways' can be found on the [Australian Apprenticeships Pathways website](#).

Industry information and aptitude quizzes

[Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships](#) Information Service has a webpage for [Industry Information](#) and quizzes in a range of careers. Each industry area has an overview, industry information, employment/wage data, key occupations and career pathways. Some of the industries included are:

- Arts, Culture and Performance
- Automotive and Boating
- Building and Construction
- Business, Clerical and Financial Services
- Electrical, Electronics and Utilities
- Food and Wine Processing
- Gardening, Farming, Animals and Environment
- Government, Schools, Public Safety and Corrections
- Health, Care and Community Services
- Hospitality, Travel and Tourism
- Information Technology and Telecommunications
- Manufacturing and Production
- Metal and Engineering
- Property Maintenance and Management
- Resource Mining and Processing
- Retail, Sales Marketing and Customer Service
- Sport, Recreation, Hair, Beauty and Services
- Transport, Logistics and Warehousing

The quizzes give you an idea about the aptitudes needed for the jobs in the industries listed.

Job Pathways Charts

The [Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships](#) Information Service's webpage contains information regarding [Job Pathways Charts](#) which show the potential training pathways within specific industries which start with an apprenticeship or traineeship. [Click here](#) for a full list. Some of the Job Pathways Charts included are:

- Aeroskills MEA
- Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management AHC
- Animal Care and Management ACM
- Australian Meat Processing AMP
- Automotive Manufacturing AUM
- Automotive Retail, Service and Repair AUR
- Aviation AVI
- Business Services BSB
- Chemical, Hydrocarbons and Refining PMA
- Community Services CHC
- Construction, Plumbing and Services CPC
- Correctional Services CSC
- Creative Arts and Culture CUA
- Electricity Supply Industry – Generation Sector UEP
- Electrotechnology UEE
- Food, Beverage and Pharmaceutical FBP
- Hairdressing and Beauty Services SHB
- Metal and Engineering MEM
- Public Safety PUA
- Sport, Fitness and Recreation SIS
- Tourism, Travel and Hospital SIT
- Training and Education TAE
- Transport and Logistics TLI

White Card Construction – Changes to Online training option

The Queensland Government has recently made changes to the online White Card training option. As from 1 February 2019 The Queensland White Card:

- courses will no longer be able to be delivered online
- can ONLY be issued to students trained in Queensland
- exemption will only be given to learners located at least 100KM away from the nearest RTO offering face to face delivery

[Click here](#) for more information about these changes and how to get a White Card.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

Australian Defence Force Information Sessions

Stay informed about important upcoming [Queensland and National ADF events and information sessions](#) by visiting the Defence Jobs website.

View the specific events information link for more details including: location, times and to book your tickets.

Further information about these events and Army Reserve Information Sessions can be accessed on the ADF [Facebook](#) site.

Upcoming Events:

26/02/2019	Caboolture a Night in the Army Reserve <i>Caboolture</i>
26/02/2019	Toowoomba Commando Information Session <i>Toowoomba, QLD</i>
26/02/2019	Cairns Defence Indigenous Pathways Information Session <i>Cairns</i>
27/02/2019	Mount Isa Defence Careers Information Session <i>Mount Isa</i>
27/02/2019	Gold Coast Australian Defence Force Academy Information Session <i>Robina</i>
27/02/2019	Brisbane Commando Information Session <i>Brisbane</i>
27/02/2019	Mount Isa School to Service Information Session <i>Mount Isa</i>
28/02/2019	Maroochydore Commando Information Session <i>Maroochydore</i>
28/02/2019	Cairns Parents & Teachers Defence Careers Night <i>Cairns</i>
28/02/2019	Townsville Management & Leadership: Defence Officers Information Session <i>Townsville</i>
04/03/2019	Brisbane Music Careers Information Session <i>Brisbane</i>
04/03/2019	Sunshine Coast Gap Year Information Session <i>Maroochydore</i>
04/03/2019	Bowen Defence Careers Information Session <i>Bowen</i>
05/03/2019	Gold Coast Army Female Priority Careers Information Session Robina

05/03/2019	Townsville Commando Information Session <i>Townsville</i>
06/03/2019	Mackay Defence Gap Year Information Session <i>Mackay</i>
06/03/2019	Townsville Women in Defence: Ask Me Anything Information Session <i>Townsville</i>
07/03/2019	Brisbane Defence Careers Information Session <i>Brisbane</i>
09/03/2019	Toowoomba Army Reserve Open Day <i>Toowoomba</i>
09/03/2019	Women in Defence FIT Prep Information Session <i>Maroochydore</i>
11/03/2019	Brisbane Army Officer Information Session <i>Brisbane</i>

Join the Australian Air Force Cadets (AAFC)

The [Australian Air Force Cadets \(AAFC\)](#) is a youth oriented organisation that is administered and actively supported by the Royal Australian Air Force. Any young Australian who is between the ages of 13 and 18 years and is physically fit enough to participate in the activities is welcome to join the AAFC. Through this organisation you will gain important life skills in leadership, self-reliance, self-confidence, self-discipline, self-respect, good communication, teamwork and citizenship. Some activities undertaken by the AAFC include flying, fieldcraft, adventure training, firearms safety training, drill and ceremonial, service knowledge, aeromodelling, navigation and gliding. You will also have an opportunity to experience life in the Air Force. For more information, visit the [AAFC website](#) where you can access information regarding:

- [Who We Are](#)
- [What We Do](#)
- [How to Join](#)
- [Our Units](#)
- [Our Supporters](#)
- [News](#)

Year 11 and 12 students wanting to apply to the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA)

If you are in Year 11 and considering applying for a place at [ADFA](#), you are encouraged to commence your application when you are 16 years of age. To start your application, call 13 19 01 or apply online on the [Defence Jobs website](#) (click 'Apply now' on the top right-hand corner of the home page). It is not too late for Year 12 students to apply but you need to start your application as soon as possible.



Careers with STEM

The [CareersWithSTEM](#) website is one of Australia's free student STEM Career Guides for students, parents and teachers. According to the [About section](#) on the CareersWithSTEM website 75% of future jobs will require STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) skills. Yet just 16% of high-school graduates are enrolling in STEM degrees in Australia. In 10 years' time, how will rapid technological change affect our future career choices? To help discover the answer to this question, access the [CareersWithSTEM](#) website which provides access to a range of information regarding:

- [Features](#): (Blog, Competitions, Articles, Education and more)
- [Profiles](#): (Showcases people with careers in STEM)
- [Read it Here](#): (STEM Magazine)
- [Quizzes](#): (Careers & Study, Engineering, Maths, Science & Tech)
- [Degree Finder](#): (Find your best degree path)
- [The Teachers' Hub](#): (Careers with STEM for teachers, STEM projects and lesson plans)

You can also [stay connected](#) by signing up to the STEM Newsletter, to get instant information on future careers, resources, stories and events straight to your email inbox.

SkillsRoad Career Quiz – Helps you choose a job that's right for you!

Knowing who you are and what you are good at are important in career exploration and decision making. The information can help you identify potential jobs and career pathways. [SkillsRoad Career Quiz](#), helps you choose a job that's right for you as it connects WHO you are with WHAT you are naturally good at. The quiz will help you to uncover your strengths and talents, so you can make more informed choices. The quiz takes approximately 5 minutes and will help you to understand:

- Your personal style and the type of person you are
- What influences your behaviour
- Things you are naturally good at
- Jobs you will likely be attracted to
- Special qualities and values you will bring to a job

The best way to find out about a job is to try it through Work Experience

The best way to explore a job you are interested in is to try it. This sounds obvious, doesn't it? However, it is often the last thing people think of when exploring jobs and making career decisions. The following are ways you can try a job.

- Work observation/shadowing - spend one or two days with someone already in the job
- Work experience – spend up to a week working in the job
- Volunteering – volunteer your services to an organisation that has jobs you are interested in
- Part-time paid work – explore the possibility of part-time or casual work in your preferred career area
- Join an activity group where you can try out some of the skills you will need in the job you like e.g. join the Air Force Cadets or the St John Ambulance Cadets
- Participating in various programs associated with specific career areas e.g. Engineering Link projects

The benefits of trying a job are:

- Learning about what the job involves
- Having a structured, supervised, hands-on experience
- Experiencing a work environment – the world of work isn't like school!
- Gaining a new referee to add to your resume
- Developing contacts that may help you gain employment in the future.

Your school Guidance Officer/Counsellor or VET Coordinator can help you organise work experience. Read '[Tips for finding work experience](#)' on the [myfuture website](#) for other ways of finding work experience.

Tips to help you build a successful creative career

Want a creative career and not sure where to start? Sick of all the doubters shooting your ideas down? Then these tips are for you. They come from a Career Insights article on the [myfuture website](#). The following is a summary of the tips.

- **Where are you heading?** – have some idea of your career direction (you don't have to know the destination yet). Think of what you love doing and train, practice, learn and rehearse
- **Inspiration** – research people who have made it in the creative industries. Read their blogs and follow them on Instagram. Take every opportunity to talk to people who make a living from their creative talents
- **Information** - find out more from industry associations. You'll find links to professional associations on most of the [myfuture occupation](#) pages e.g. professional associations for Set Designer include the [Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance](#) and the [Design Institute of Australia](#)
- **What's in demand?** - look for areas of demand, or that might be growing. Look for the trends and then advance them
- **You've gotta eat!** - be prepared to work more than one job. Creative careers often take a while to become established. Find something that you're happy to do to support yourself, while having enough time and mental space to invest in your art
- **Internships and volunteering** - this is about getting experience, building your reputation and getting to know people in the industry
- **Get some business skills** – you'll need them! Learn the basics of business management so you can make some money from what you do
- **Hear from people who are working as creatives** – find out how they first started. Learn from them
- **Unconventional and unafraid** - marketing and business skills are essential. You need to be savvy and be wired to the best way to sell your skills
- **Be the one** – be the one who succeeds in a creative career. Make sure it is you!

- **Last words: be real** – be authentic. Being yourself in your art is the greatest thing you can give to the world

If you found these tips helpful, read the advice given by JMC Academy lecturer, Nigel Tucker, in [How to break into the arts and entertainment industries](#).

Work experience: CSIRO scientists

If you are interested in a science career, consider applying for a work experience placement with the CSIRO. [CSIRO](#) offers students in Years 10 to 12 the chance to gain first-hand experience of research in a scientific environment. To apply contact CSIRO and see if they are able to host you. In 2019, CSIRO have a pilot project that is 'virtual' work experience for regional and remote students. This program will provide an opportunity for students to undertake collaborative, group (STEM) projects without having to leave their towns or communities. Visit the [CSIRO Work Experience](#) website for more information regarding:

- How to apply
- Conditions of participation
- Frequently asked questions

Work Experience: Queensland Government

You can find information about Queensland Government work experience opportunities online through websites like:

- [jobactive](#) - the Australian Government's employment service
- [Australia.gov.au](#) - for cadetships, scholarships and work experience opportunities
- [Myfuture](#) - offers work experience links
- [Queensland Government](#) – information regarding work experience, finding opportunities, benefits

Do your own online search and see what work experience opportunities may be offered in your local area.

Graduates can also look for opportunities to work within the Queensland Government through the [Queensland Government Graduate Portal](#).

Competitions

2019 UQ/QAMT Problem Solving Competition - Problem Solving Competition

This is a mathematics competition which is held close to Pi Day each year. Students sit for the competition at their school on 15th March 2019 or at the University of Queensland (UQ) St Lucia campus on 16 March 2019. Entry fee is \$5 and there are plenty of prizes for the winners! Find out more on the [UQ website](#). Interested students should talk to their Maths teacher as registrations are through schools.

Bruce Dawe National Poetry Prize

Entries are now open for this competition which is administered by the University of Southern Queensland. The competition is open to Australian citizens and permanent residents. You can submit up to five poems for consideration. Entries close on 31 May 2019. Find out more on the [Bruce Dawe National Poetry Prize webpage](#).

Register now for the 2019 Australian Brain Bee Challenge

This Challenge, which is open to Year 10 students, is a neuroscience competition in which participants learn about the brain through provided resources and then complete an online quiz. A teacher will need to register your school to enter the challenge. See the [Australian Neuroscience Society website](#) for information about the challenge.

Sunshine Coast Art Prize 2019

This is a national, contemporary, acquisitive award presented by Sunshine Coast Council. The award is open to any artist who is an Australian resident, working in a 2D medium. Forty finalists will be selected for exhibition at the Caloundra Regional Gallery. Prizes on offer are valued at more than \$30 000. [Click here for more information](#).

Upcoming Events:

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| 29/01/2019 to 07/04/2019 | Hermitage Plant Science Competition
<i>Online</i> |
| 12/02/2019 to 28/02/2019 | Australian Brain Bee Challenge Registration
<i>Various</i> |
| 12/02/2019 to 07/04/2019 | CYA Conference Hatchlings Writing Competition |

	<i>Online</i>
12/02/2019 to 08/04/2019	Sunshine Coast Art Prize <i>Sunshine Coast</i>
12/02/2019 to 31/05/2019	Future Leaders Writing Prize <i>Online</i>
25/02/2019 to 31/05/2019	USQ - Bruce Dawe National Poetry Prize <i>Online</i>
01/03/2019	International Space Settlement Design Competition (ISSDC) Launch Event & Registrations Open <i>Online</i>
01/03/2019 to 31/03/2019	Australian Brain Bee Challenge – Round 1 Online <i>Online</i>
12/03/2019 to 05/04/2019	IM2C - International Mathematical Modeling Challenge <i>Online</i>
15/03/2019	UQ/QAMT Problem Solving Competition <i>Various</i>
16/03/2019	UQ/QAMT Problem Solving Competition <i>St Lucia</i>
27/03/2019	Kangourou sans Frontieres (KSF) Online Maths Competition, Years 3-12 <i>Various</i>
02/04/2019	Computational and Algorithmic Thinking, Years 5 – 12 <i>Various</i>
24/07/2019	The Opti-Minds Challenge - Nominations Close <i>Online</i>
01/08/2019	Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC), Years 3 - 12 <i>Various</i>
22/08/2019	Australian Informatics Olympiad, Years 7 - 12 <i>Various</i>
12/09/2019	Australian Intermediate Mathematics Olympiad <i>Various</i>

The 2019 Hermitage Plant Science Competition

This competition is open to students (P – 12) with an interest in science and agriculture. Visit the [website](#) for competition details. A teacher is required to register interest in this competition.

Employment

A career path you may not know about: Electrical Engineering Draftspersons and Technicians

Electrical Engineering Draftspersons and Technicians assist electrical engineering research, design, manufacture, assembly, construction, operation and maintenance of equipment, facilities and distribution systems. Visit [myfuture](#) and click on occupations for more information about jobs.

Related occupations include:

- Electrical Engineering Draftsperson
- Electrical Engineering Technician
- Electrical Engineering Technical Officer
- Electrical Engineering Laboratory Technician
- Electrical Instrument Technician
- Electrical Engineering Design Draftsperson

Main tasks performed

- preparing drawings, plans and diagrams of electrical installations and circuitry
- assisting Electrical Engineers and Engineering Technologists in design and layout of electrical installations and circuitry on substations, switchgear, cabling systems and motor control systems
- collecting data, performing tests and complex calculations, graphing results, and preparing charts and tabulations
- estimating materials costs and quantities
- inspecting designs and finished products for compliance with specifications and regulations

Australia's Booming Industries

Using data and industry experts' input, Seek has identified their five booming industry areas across Australia over the past twelve months that will shape 2019. These identified industry areas are:

- Mining, resources and energy with a job growth of 67.7%
- Trades and services with a job growth of 23.3%
- Health and medical with a job growth of 11.1%
- Engineering with a job growth of 26.7%
- Science and technology with a job growth of 22.0%

[Click here](#) for more information about average advertised salaries, new roles advertised, individual State figures and growth by role.

Four trends transforming the workplace

The relationship between employers and employees is fundamentally changing. Employees are expecting more from their employers - more transparency, more accountability and more trust. Employers need more from their employees - technical skills, creative thinking, effective collaboration and ability to quickly adapt. [LinkedIn's annual Global Talent Trends 2019](#) report explores the four big trends which are fueling this transformation and how they will impact the workplace. These trends are:

- soft skills
- work flexibility
- anti-harassment
- pay transparency

[Click here](#) to read more about these trends and their impact on the workplace.

Future Jobs: What industries are up and coming?

The Careers FAQs team analysed reports from internationally known experts to come up with 12 industries they believe are going to be the next 'big thing'. They list and back up their selection in [Jobs of the Future: The 12 Industries to Watch](#).

- Artificial Intelligence (AI) - AI technology has improved in leaps and bounds over the last few years and is expected to evolve even more rapidly.
- Drones - The drone industry is set to boom by 6,000% by the end of the decade.
- Virtual reality – See the Facebook demonstration of augmented social reality in the article.
- Wearables technology - Estimated to be worth \$14 billion at present, the wearables industry is expected to grow to a staggering \$34 billion by 2020.
- Mobile payments – Mobile payments are set to increase in the future.
- Cryptocurrencies - Just like the internet revolutionised the way we communicate (making it possible to speak to anyone in the world, anywhere, anytime), cryptocurrencies allow us to transfer money instantly to anyone in the world, anywhere, anytime.
- Genomics – The branch of molecular biology concerned with the structure, function, evolution and mapping of genomes could be the next trillion-dollar industry of the future.
- Internet of Things (IoT) – Currently there are about 8.4 billion devices connected to the internet.
- Robotics - Robots are already manufacturing shoes for us, greeting patients at our hospitals, and even making pizzas for us.
- Connected Home - From roof tiles that store and convert solar power to smart ovens that recognise food (and automatically cooks it for you!), homes of the future will take convenience and efficiency to a whole new level.
- Driverless cars – In the future, expect to use a network of fully autonomous cars to get from A to B.
- 3D printers – From houses to organs, 3D printers will revolutionise many industries.

With these emerging technologies and industries, how can we plan for future jobs? Read [The 10 Skills You'll Need by 2020 \(and beyond\)](#).

Financial Assistance & Scholarships



Applications opening soon for the Tuckwell Scholarship

If you are awarded a Tuckwell Scholarship you will receive \$21,700 per year for the length of your undergraduate degree at the Australian National University (ANU) in Canberra. You will be in a group of motivated young people who want to use their abilities to make a difference in the world. The scholarship allows you to study a single or double undergraduate program, including honours and vertical degrees in any discipline offered at ANU for up to five years. Find out about the study options available on the [ANU website](#). The application consists of a three-stage process.

- Stage 1 – Initial Application: applicants submit a written online application and nominate a teacher to provide a reference. Applications for Stage 1 open on 4 March and close on 28 March 2019.
- Stage 2 – If your Stage 1 application is shortlisted you will be sent a link to the Stage 2 application form which you will be able to complete online.
- Stage 3 –final candidates are selected for individual and group interviews to be held in Canberra in July 2019.

The selection panel is looking for bright students, but not necessarily those with OP1 as they will look at applicant attributes, interests and achievements as well. Visit the [scholarship site](#) for information about the selection criteria and the application.

Upcoming Events:

04/03/2019 [ANU Tuckwell Scholarship applications Open](#)
Online

Melbourne University Hansen Scholarship Program

University of Melbourne's new equity Hansen Scholarship opens on 1 March. The program supports high-achieving domestic students who may otherwise struggle financially to access higher education. Key benefits are accommodation, tailored academic coaching, living allowances, grants for exchange or internship plus post-course support. [Preview the application questions](#) here. Regional, rural and remote communities students are encouraged to apply. Contact the Melbourne University [scholarship office](#) for more details.

Upcoming Events:

01/03/2019 [Melbourne University Hansen Scholarship](#)
Online



Gap Year Program News

10 Reasons to Take a Gap Year

[Letz Live](#) has provided the following 10 reasons for taking a gap year.

1. Take a break from academic stresses and pressures
2. Gain insight and clarity into your preferred field of study by gaining life experience. Many universities have reported that gap year students achieve better results and are more committed
3. Go on an adventure while you are young. When else in your life will you be free of work, study, a mortgage, a family and all that other adult seriousness?
4. Gain independence by living in another country
5. Learn what's important through gaining perspective by living and breathing the realities of another culture in another part of the world
6. Collect stories and experiences that can last forever
7. Give yourself time to ponder life without the constraints and distractions of home
8. Gain broader, more worldly knowledge
9. Make new friends from all over the world
10. Have fun. You'll explore the world, you'll meet awesome people, you'll collect unbelievable stories and, most of all, you'll have fun

Gap Year Program information events and due dates

- Applications for the [Australian Defence Gap Year](#) will open in March. This is a very popular program. Don't miss out. Apply early
- [Camp America](#) organises summer (May, June, July) camp jobs in the USA for students from around the world. At camp, participants work directly with American children; by instructing or assisting them in activities. There are different [types of camps](#) and [types of roles](#) available. The visa required for the program includes 30 days of travel time in the USA before and after the camp. Visit the [Camp America website](#) for more information.
- [GVI International](#) offers you a chance to speak to their team if you are interested in joining a GVI project but are unsure of what to expect. They offer [Meet Ups, Open Days and Events](#). Visit their website for more information.
- Applications for the [2020 Letz Live Worldwide UK gap program](#) will close on 8 March 2019. Visit the [Letz Live website](#) for details.
- [Southern Cross Cultural Exchange](#) will hold a number of [information sessions](#) throughout 2019. Visit their website to register your interest in attending.
- [Youth for Understanding \(YFU\)](#) will have a number of [Webinars](#) on their website to assist you to understand options for Studying Abroad.

Upcoming Events:

28/05/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange: Information Sessions <i>Spring Hill</i>
06/08/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange: Information Sessions <i>Spring Hill</i>
12/11/2019	Southern Cross Cultural Exchange: Information Sessions <i>Spring Hill, QLD</i>

Gap years – Make them Meaningful with a Purpose

[Research](#) from Canada suggested that taking a year off after Year 12 does not necessarily assist students who are unsure of their career path. Without a plan, a year out of formal education can be characterised by few ambitions or aspirations about how this time is spent. Alternatively, a formal gap year is known to offer many significant benefits. A formal gap year involves students in structured activities such as paid-work, volunteering and other forms of self-development related to possible future career options. This type of gap year enables students to try out a range of activities that can assist them in their career decision making. According to the research, students who have a purposeful gap year are less likely to drop out of further study pathways.

High School Volunteer Projects

Projects Abroad offer pre-planned trips for 15-18 year olds. These programs are designed for young people to experience life overseas, help disadvantaged communities and gain self-confidence. Programs are offered in Peru, Romania, Tanzania, Samoa, Kenya, Mexico, Costa Rica, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Argentina, Ghana, China, South Africa, Philippines, Mongolia, Nepal, Belize, Cambodia, Madagascar, Fiji, Ecuador, Jamaica, Senegal, Vietnam and Botswana. Various types of programs are on offer including internships in physiotherapy, public health, dentistry and medical. Or try your hand volunteering in a program for rainforest conservation, building, community work, football coaching, archaeology, childcare, human rights, law and business. For more information visit the [Projects Abroad website](#).

Letz Live 2020 application closing date

Since 2004 Letz Live has specialised in the recruitment of Australian gap year assistants in schools (traditionally boarding schools) across New Zealand, Thailand and the United Kingdom. All positions are provided with board and lodging in addition to a weekly remuneration. Depending on the country you go to placements are either six or eleven months in duration. The closing date for 2020 placements is March 8, 2019 followed by an individual interview. For more information visit [Letz Live website](#).

Upcoming Events:

08/03/2019	LetzLive UK Gap Year Program Applications Close <i>Online</i>
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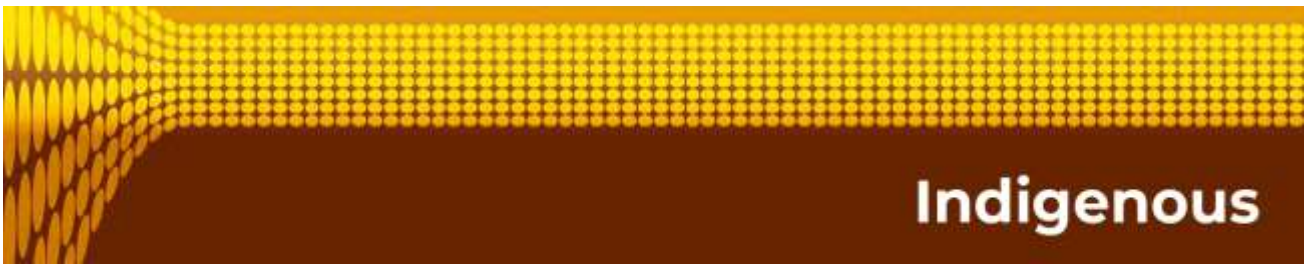
Holiday Programs & Short Courses

Holiday courses at the Australian Institute of Creative Design (AICD)

AICD has campuses on the Gold Coast and in Brisbane. It offers Certificate and Diploma courses in Art and Design, Beauty Therapy, Fashion Business, Fashion Design, Fashion Styling, Interior Design, Make-up and Photography. Courses can be studied full-time, part-time and by distance education. AICD also offers short courses. The following are some of the short courses AICD will be offering during the coming school holidays:

- Styling
- Photography
- Fashion Design
- Art and Design
- Make-Up
- Beauty Therapy
- Interior Design
- Beauty Therapy
- Art and Design

For more information, visit the [AICD website](#) and click on 'Holiday Courses'.



AMA Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship

If you are an Indigenous student interested in studying medicine, you need to be aware of this [Australian Medical Association \(AMA\) scholarship](#). You can't be awarded the scholarship until your second year of medical studies. In 2019 the scholarship is valued at \$10,000 per year. Applications are usually due in January each year.

CSIRO – Opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

The CSIRO are committed to encouraging more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to work with them, in both the science and support areas. Visit their [website](#) to access information regarding:

- [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Postgraduate Scholarships](#)
- [Indigenous Careers](#)
- [Indigenous traineeships](#)

Consider doing work experience with the CSIRO as they have introduced a new 'virtual' work experience program. This program is available for regional and remote students and are encouraging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to apply. For more information visit the [CSIRO work experience program website](#).

InspireU Programs

The University of Queensland's [InspireU programs](#) are for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. The camps themed around the professional disciplines of engineering, science, law, business and health sciences. Participants attend on-campus residential camps, take part in interactive workshops and lectures, workplace/industry visits and receive guidance from UQ and industry experts about study and career opportunities.

Upcoming Events:

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| 30/06/2019 to 05/07/2019 | InspireU Health Sciences Brisbane, QLD |
| 22/09/2019 to 27/09/2019 | InspireU Education Brisbane |
| 29/09/2019 to 04/10/2019 | InspireULaw Brisbane |

Job Info

Public Relations Professionals - What do they do

Public Relations Professionals plan, develop, implement and evaluate information and communication strategies to create an understanding and a favourable view of organisations, their goods and services, and their role in the community.

Tasks that they carry out include:

- planning and organising publicity campaigns and communication strategies
- advising executives on the public relations implications of their policies, programs and practices
- preparing and controlling the issue of news and press releases
- undertaking and commissioning public opinion research, analysing the findings and planning public relations and promotional campaigns
- organising special events, seminars, entertainment, competitions and social functions to promote goodwill and favourable publicity
- representing organisations and arranging executive interviews with publicity media
- attending business, social and other functions to promote the organisation
- commissioning and obtaining photographs and other illustrative material
- selecting, appraising and revising material submitted by publicity writers, Photographers, Illustrators and others to create favourable publicity

For more information about prospects, pathways, skills and Knowledge and work environment [visit Job Outlook](#)

Want to be a paramedic? Become a St John Ambulance cadet

Young people between 11 and 18 years can apply to be a cadet. Activities include learning first aid, providing first aid services at public functions and competing in first aid competitions. For more information, visit the [St John Ambulance website](#).



Cairns Careers Expo update

Due to a clash in dates with the Brisbane Careers Expo, the [2019 Cairns Youth and Careers Expo](#) has been rescheduled to Tuesday 28 May 2019.

New York Film Academy (NYFA), Gold Coast Open Day

NYFA offers Diploma's in Film Making, Acting for Film and Screenwriting. RSVP on the [NYFA website](#).

Upcoming Events:

09/03/2019

[New York Film Academy Open Day](#)
Gold Coast

Register for Griffith University's Open Days

Griffith University's Open Day will be held 11 August 2019 at the Gold Coast, Nathan and South Bank campuses. You can now register on the [Open Day webpage](#) to receive information and updates about the event. This page also lists some of the new degrees at Griffith in 2019.

USC: Open Day

This year USC will hold its open days in June, July and August. Open days are an excellent opportunity to explore courses, tour the campus and to meet current students and lecturers.

Private Provider Updates

Brisbane's Art Theatre: Interested in theatre production and/or performing?

The Brisbane Art Theatre's [College of Theatre Practice](#), located on Petrie Terrace, Brisbane, offers Certificate IV in Live Production and Technical Services. Acting workshops are also available for adults and youth. Visit their [website](#) for more information.

Massage courses at Evolve College

Evolve offers a Certificate IV in Massage Therapy and a Diploma of Remedial Massage at its Queensland campuses in Brisbane and Townsville. These courses are provided on a flexible basis and students can choose to study part-time, full-time or by correspondence. Evolve also offers weekend introductory courses. Learn more about the college and its courses on the [website](#).

NIDA short courses in acting and directing coming to Brisbane

The [National Institute of Dramatic Art \(NIDA\)](#) is bringing a range of short courses to Brisbane in April 2019. There are courses for adults, primary, junior and senior students. Classes start on 8 April 2019 and will be held at the Queensland Academies Creative Industries located at Kelvin Grove. The courses for Year 11 and 12 students are:

- [Screen Actors Society](#) –in this course the students engage in intensive scene work from iconic US films that explore the journey of self-discovery from teen years into adulthood. Throughout the program you will apply NIDA acting techniques to scenes.
- [Directing 101](#)–in this course learn the skills to create and direct a theatre production, to develop a concept or idea, learn to work effectively with a creative team and collaborate with actors to ensure a successful production.
- [Acting for Grades 11-12](#) – practice skill-based learning by industry experts across a range of performing arts disciplines. These courses are designed to support and inspire young people at any stage of their creative development.

There is a 10% early bird discount currently available online. Visit the [NIDA website](#) for details.

The following courses are on offer throughout 2019:

08/04/2019 to 12/04/2019

[Screen Actors Society Grades 11-12](#) Brisbane, QLD

13/04/2019 to 14/09/2019	Directing 101 Grades 11-12 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
13/04/2019 to 14/09/2019	Screen Acting Boot Camp Grades 7-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
13/04/2019 to 14/09/2019	Off the Cuff: Improvisation Grades 7-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
05/05/2019 to 23/06/2019	Acting on Screen Grades 7-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
05/05/2019 to 23/06/2019	Drama for Grades 9-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
05/05/2019 to 23/06/2019	Acting for Grades 11-12 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
28/07/2019 to 15/09/2019	Acting on Screen Grades 7-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
28/07/2019 to 15/09/2019	Drama for Grades 9-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
28/07/2019 to 15/09/2019	Acting for Grades 11-12 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
20/10/2019 to 08/12/2019	Acting on Screen Grades 7-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
20/10/2019 to 08/12/2019	Drama for Grades 9-10 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
20/10/2019 to 08/12/2019	Acting for Grades 11-12 <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>

Queensland School of Beauty Therapy (QSBT)

The [Queensland School of Beauty Therapy](#) (QSBT) will offer a range of Certificate, Diploma and Short Courses in Beauty Therapy. [Internal Courses](#) include:

- Certificate III in Nail Technology
- Certificate III in Make Up
- Certificate III in Beauty Services
- Certificate IV in Beauty Therapy
- Diploma of Beauty Therapy

A number of their [short courses](#) are offered throughout the year. These courses include:

- Makeup
- Eyelash Extension and Brow
- Waxing
- Nails
- Massage
- Facial Treatments
- Spa Therapies and Body Treatments
- Spray Tanning
- Electrolysis

For more information visit the [QSBT website](#).

Queensland School of Film and Television (QSFT): Workshops

[QSFT](#), located in Annerley, offers accredited Diploma and Certificate courses in screen and media. They also offer workshops on weekends and during the school holidays. Early bird discounts are often available. Keep an eye on their website for the latest information. You can access the application form [here](#). The following workshops are available in 2019:

- Film It! - Introduction to Video Production
- Record It! - Introduction to Sound Production
- Edit It! - Introduction to Editing Workshop
- Acting Bootcamp! - 2 Days School Holiday Acting Workshop
- Write It! - Introduction to Script Writing Workshop
- Direct It! - Introduction to Directing Workshop
- Shoot It! - Introduction to Photography
- Filmmaker Bootcamp! - 2 Day School Holiday Filmmakers Bootcamp

The following workshops are available in 2019:

02/03/2019	Record It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
09/03/2019	Edit It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
10/04/2019 to 11/04/2019	Acting Bootcamp! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
13/04/2019	Write It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
17/04/2019 to 18/04/2019	Filmmaker Bootcamp! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>

27/04/2019	Direct It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
11/05/2019	Shoot It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
25/05/2019	Film It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
08/06/2019	Record It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
22/06/2019	Edit It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
10/07/2019 to 11/07/2019	Filmmaker Bootcamp! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
06/07/2019	Write It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
20/07/2019	Direct It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
03/08/2019	Shoot It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
17/08/2019	Film It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
31/08/2019	Record It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
14/09/2019	Edit It! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>
25/09/2019 to 26/09/2019	Acting Bootcamp! <i>Brisbane, QLD</i>



Future Leaders Awards 2019

The Future Leaders Awards recognise young Australians who have shown strong achievement, leadership and potential. The award categories are:

- [Helen Handbury Leadership Award](#) – This award recognises Year 12 students in rural and regional Australia who have shown outstanding community leadership.
- [Future Leaders Writing Prize](#) – This prize is designed to recognise and reward talented young writers. It aims to encourage expressive and creative writing. Australian Year 11 and 12 students are invited to submit a piece of writing (800 to 1,000 words). The essays can be fiction or non-fiction and on any topic.
- [Future Leaders Future Justice Award](#) – This award recognises Year 12 students who have shown leadership and initiative on intergenerational equity, future justice. Future justice is concerned with what those living today leave behind for future generations.
- [Future Leaders Photography Prize](#) – This prize is designed to recognize talented young photographers.
- [Future Leaders Jazz Award](#) – This award is designed to expose talented young musicians (18 to 30 years) to international jazz performers and networks.

The due date for all categories is 31 May 2019. See the [Future Leaders website](#) for details

Upcoming Events:

31/05/2019

[Future Leaders Awards 2019 entries close](#)
Online

Opportunities from Brisbane City Council

[Visible Ink](#) is a Brisbane City Council program with offer free space, equipment and staff support to young people aged 12-25. Visible Ink provides spaces to meet for organised activities, resources to help get your ideas off the ground and staff to support to provide you with help and information. Their aim is to assist young people to be enterprising, get visible and stay informed.

[genYOU Doyenne](#)- an event dedicated to young women. In this program young women will hear advice from local female leaders, learn to network in the professional world, develop leadership skills, unlock their emotional intelligence and take control of their careers and career goals. This program is aimed at young women aged 17-25 years old. For more information visit the [generation you website](#). The program is on Thursday, 11 April 2019 tickets available online now.

Throughout the year [generationYou](#) will release more dates for programs that are all designed for young people to unleash their potential. Imagine if you received a toolbox, one which would not only help you secure the job you really want, but also be awesome at it! We're not just talking about technical knowledge (you probably have that already), but the additional traits, attitudes and skills which will help you to stand out of the crowd. Visit the [generationYou](#) for more information and for event dates and times.

Upcoming Events:

11/04/2019

[genYOU Doyenne](#)

Brisbane



Certificates, Diplomas and Bachelor Degrees – How are they different?

In Australia, we have a national system of qualifications called the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). At the end of Year 12, you can apply for the following AQF qualifications. These qualifications can differ in length, content and competitiveness as shown below:

- **Bachelor Degree:** Usually 3-5 years full-time (or part-time equivalent); theoretical; competitive
- **Associate degree/Advanced diploma:** Usually 2 years full-time (or part-time equivalent); combination of theory and practice; range from not competitive to very competitive.
- **Diploma:** Can be 1-2 years full-time (or part-time equivalent); tend to be practical with some theory; range from not competitive to very competitive depending on the topic.
- **Certificates I, II, III, IV:** 1 month - 1 year full-time; usually very practical; usually not competitive.

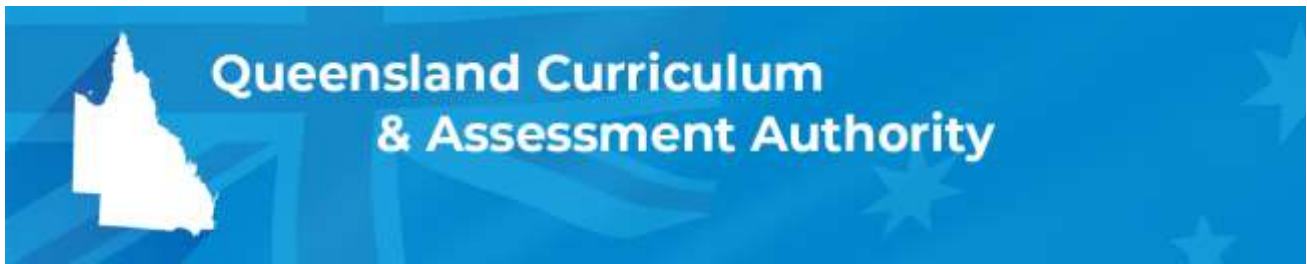
You can use one level to help you gain entry to a higher level of study in the future depending on your results and the rules of the institution you want to gain entry to. Visit the [AQF website](#) for more information. To decide on the best level of qualification for you, consider:

- The study/training requirements of the job you want
- Your past study results
- Whether you are a hands-on (practical) or theory person
- The cost of the course
- The length of time you are prepared to study.

New myQCE gateway for students and parents

Students in **Years 10 and 11 in 2019** will be the first to study under the new Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) system. [myQCE](#) will help you plan your pathway to achieving a QCE by the end of Year 12. It provides information on:

- Planning your pathway – get help choosing subjects and courses
- ATAR – what is it and how do you get one?
- Student stories- past students share their QCE stories
- Healthy and happy – get resources to keep you on your QCE pathway
- Jobs and careers – take an active role in your career planning
- Learning accounts – Track your progress towards achieving a QCE
- Academic Integrity – a refresher course on good academic habits



Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) Achievement Awards

On Saturday 16 February 2019, the QCE Achievement Award winners were announced. This award is for Queensland's top performing Year 12 students in seven categories:

- Outstanding Academic Achiever
- Distinguished Academic Achievers
- Highest Achievement by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Student
- Highest Achievement by an International Student
- Highest Result on the Queensland Core Skills Test
- Highest Achievement in the International Baccalaureate

Visit the [Queensland Curriculum and Assessment website](#) for information about the award and the selection criteria used.

Senior External Examination registrations open for 2019

Year 12 students are eligible to sit a maximum of two [Senior External Examinations](#) if they can't study the Authority subjects offered in Queensland because the subject is not taught at their school or there is a timetable clash. The external examination subjects available are Accounting, Ancient history, Arabic, Biology, Chemistry, Chinese, English, Korean, Legal Studies, Mathematics A, Mathematics B, Modern Greek, Modern History, Philosophy and Reason, Physics, Polish, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, Vietnamese and Visual Art. The examinations are held in October and November.

You will need the permission of your school to sit for these exams. Your school will register you for the exams with Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA). Registrations close on 30 April 2019. Read the information on the [QCAA website](#) and see your school Guidance Counsellor/Officer for more information.

Upcoming Events:

30/04/2019

[Senior External Examination registrations for 2019 close](#)



Concentration – how to improve it

Concentration is the ability to focus and control your attention. Some people seem to be born with it, the rest of us have to learn how to do it. The good news is that anyone can improve his/her ability to concentrate. The following are strategies to help you get there.

- Make sure you get plenty of sleep. It is difficult to concentrate when you are tired. Regular exercise and healthy eating are also important.
- Set realistic and specific study goals for yourself (e.g. I will go up one grade in English next exam)
- Develop regular habits of study – same desk, same time, etc
- Work in a place that is free of distractions (in front of the TV is probably not the best place!). De-cluttering your desk will help too
- When you sit down to study, make a plan of what you want to achieve that session and cross off items as you complete them
- If you find yourself distracted by something else (e.g. I feel fat; I should do more exercise), jot down the task, idea or problem to deal with later
- Begin working immediately – don't wait for inspiration
- Attend to one thing at a time
- When you start to lose focus, get up and take a walk

Growing Leaders

The first step in anyone's leadership journey is self-leadership. We must be able to lead *ourselves* before we can lead anyone else. In fact, the effects of leaders who don't have strong character, core values, mental toughness, or integrity can be devastating. Whether in communities, families, churches, or schools, leaders lacking these characteristics can have a negative influence on those around them. [The Art of Self-Leadership](#), Dr. Tim Elmore seeks to equip today's students to graduate with strong character, a healthy personal identity, and self-discipline. Through thirteen memorable images — each with a series of engaging stories, self-assessment questions, and thought-provoking discussion topics — students learn and internalize important principles of good character that will help guide them as they step into college or their careers. Watch a [YouTube video](#) with the Author of The Art of Self Leadership, Dr Tim Elmore discussing Growing Leaders in Today's Society and what we need to do today to grow leaders for tomorrow.

Tips for parents

Generation Next has an article on [How parents can help students in the senior years of school](#) written by Andrew Fuller. The article states that parents have a vital role in helping students to:

- Manage time
- Manage energy
- Manage stress
- Manage to get everything in at the right time and in the right place.

This sounds like a big ask! However, the body of the article does suggest strategies to help parents achieve their role. Topics include:

- Developing a system – time management planning
- Dealing with meltdowns and catastrophic thinking
- What to do when the system breaks down or when your child won't listen to you
- How to deal with the build up to exams.

Finally, the article makes the point that Year 12 results aren't the end of the world. They don't determine a student's future success in life.

Parents with a student in Year 11 or 12 may find this article of interest.



Queensland Government Certificate 3 Guarantee

You may wish to investigate if you are eligible for the [Queensland Government, Certificate 3 Guarantee](#) program. The Certificate 3 Guarantee supports eligible individuals to complete their first post-school Certificate III level qualification and increase their skills to move into employment, re-enter the workforce or advance their career. The program also supports school students to access training and Queensland's Year 12 graduates to transition to employment by providing fee-free training in high priority qualifications. For an overview of what the Certificate 3 Guarantee means for students, view the [Certificate 3 Guarantee student fact sheet](#).



ACU: Where is ACU, University Experience day, Personal Tours, Expos and Career Markets, Year 12 Entry programs

In Queensland, ACU is located at Banyo, 12 km North of the Brisbane CBD. It currently has over 5,200 students. It offers degree programs in Allied Health, Arts, Business and Commerce, Teaching and Education, Exercise Science, Nursing and Midwifery, Paramedicine, Biomedical Science, Psychology and Counselling, Social Work, Theology and Philosophy. ACU provides various opportunities for Year 12 students to learn about the campus and the courses that are offered.

University Experience Day - This [event](#) provides future students with an opportunity to sample a degree they are interested in and to check out the ACU staff and campus. It will be held on 4 July 2019 at the ACU Brisbane campus.

Personal Tours - If you would like to individually visit the ACU campus and speak to ACU staff about courses, [personalised tours](#) are available Monday to Friday from 9 am - 4 pm. Tours last approximately 30 minutes to an hour.

Expos and Career Markets – ACU will have representatives at these events held around Queensland. Included are the [Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo](#) and the [Tertiary Studies Expo \(TSXPO\) in Brisbane](#).

Year 12 Entry programs – Use the [ACU website](#) to learn about the many entry programs available at ACU for Year 12 students. Information includes:

- Recent Secondary Education
- Vocational Education and Training
- Higher Education
- Work and Life Experience
- Alternative entry options
- Elite Athlete or Performer
- Community Achiever Program
- International Applicant pathways

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Special Entry Scheme

Upcoming Events:

04/07/2019

[ACU – University Experience Day](#)
Brisbane, QLD

CHC: Christian Heritage College

[CHC](#) is a Christian Higher Education institution located in Carindale and is a fully accredited private higher education provider, that aspires to model a Christian higher education alternative. It offers accredited bachelor degrees in business, education, liberal arts,, social science and ministries. The college is located in Mansfield, Brisbane. Applications to CHC are through QTAC. HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP are available for eligible students. Visit their website for more information relating to:

- [Future Students](#)
- [Courses](#)
- [About CHC](#)

CQU: The Future of Livestock Industry

This free workshop is funded by the Department of Education, Small Business and Training as part of training in Emerging and Innovative Industries. This workshop will be delivered for Rockhampton, Charleville, Tambo, Barcaldine and Longreach throughout March 2019. It is aimed at livestock producers in the Central Queensland region.

CQU: University Experience

This event is a free, one-day, on-campus event for Year 12 students to explore their post-Year 12 options, including higher education degrees and TAFE courses. It will be held from 9 am – 2 pm at the CQUniversity campuses throughout the year. Speak to your Year 12 Coordinator or Guidance Officer/Counsellor if you are interested in attending this event. Visit the [CQUniversity Events](#) and for when they are on at the campus near you. [CQUniversity Cairns](#) and [CQUniversity Gladstone](#) have their University experience days coming up soon on Friday 8 March 2019 and Thursday 4th April 2019 respectively.

Upcoming Events:

08/03/2019	CQUniversity – University Experience Cairns <i>Cairns, QLD</i>
15/03/2019	CQUniversity – Livestock Data and Emerging Technologies Workshop <i>Rockhampton, QLD</i>
26/03/2019	CQUniversity – Livestock Data and Emerging Technologies Workshop <i>Charleville, QLD</i>
27/03/2019	CQUniversity – Livestock Data and Emerging Technologies Workshop <i>Tambo, QLD</i>
28/03/2019	CQUniversity – Livestock Data and Emerging Technologies Workshop <i>Barcaldine, QLD</i>
29/03/2019	CQUniversity – Livestock Data and Emerging Technologies Workshop <i>Longreach, QLD</i>
04/04/2019	CQ University – University Experience Gladstone <i>Gladstone, QLD</i>

GU: Griffith University Aviation Flight Camp

The Griffith University Aviation Flight Camp is an exciting three-day non-live-in camp for Year 11 and 12 students from 8 - 10 April 2019.

Students will take part in a range of hands-on activities, connect with student mentors, hear from a variety of industry speakers along with behind the scene tours of Qantas, Airbus and the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Students have a chance to win a 1-hour trial introductory flight with Basair. Click [here](#) for more information or see your Guidance Officer or Career counsellor.

GU: Key dates for 2019

Below are key dates in the Griffith University 2019 calendar.

Upcoming Events:

02/05/2019	GU - Careers in Commerce Experience Day <i>Gold Coast, QLD</i>
28/05/2019	GU - Careers in Commerce Experience Day <i>Nathan</i>
11/06/2019	Discover Griffith <i>Nathan</i>
13/06/2019	Discover Griffith <i>Gold Coast</i>

GU: STEM Ambassador Conference

The STEM Ambassador Conference is a leadership conference giving STEM Ambassadors the opportunity to plan their school's individual action plan and strategy for 2019. The conference will be held at Griffith's Southbank campus during World Science Festival. The [2019 STEM Ambassador Conference](#) will be held on Friday 22 March 2019.

GU: Women in Aviation

The Griffith Women in Aviation Day was launched in 2017 to encourage female students to study Aviation at a tertiary level who are interested in either becoming pilots, managers, aircraft safety inspections/investigators, IT or engineers within the aviation industry.

The event will run on Friday 8 March 2019 at the Nathan Campus and coincides with Women of Aviation Worldwide Week. Students will participate in hands-on activities including a flight simulator trial and hear presentations from a variety of female industry speakers. Female students in Years 10 to 12 are encouraged to apply. [Click here](#) for more information and see your Guidance Officer or Science teacher if you wish to participate.

QUT: Resources for Students webpage

This [webpage](#) has resources that can help you learn more about studying at QUT from current QUT students through the [Student Sharehouse Blog](#) and QUT's social media platforms. You can try the [Match My Skills quiz](#) to help you identify QUT courses that interest you. The page also has a video on the differences between school and uni.

QUT: Bachelor of Business (Human Resource Management)

During Bachelor of Business (Human Resource Management) covers the key functions of the human resource management (HRM) role: recruitment, selection, training and development, performance and compensation management in a context of dynamic workplaces.

If you are interested in helping others reach their full potential and want to contribute to the development of work that is satisfying and fulfilling while maximising organisational performance, [click here](#) to find out more about this degree.

QUT: Changes to START QUT – Year 11 and 12 can participate in Semester 2

Year 11 and 12 students can apply for START QUT from Semester 2 2019. You will be able to study 1 or 2 courses/subjects of study and see if it is a study field that interests you. On successful completion you may receive academic credit in further studies. You will be part of the student community, attend lectures, tutorials or workshops with other QUT students.

Applications for Semester 2 open to current Year 11 and 12 students on 1 March 2019 and close on 16 May 2019. [Click here](#) a list of units (subjects) available and the application.

Upcoming Events:

01/03/2019	QUT: Semester 2 2019 START applications open
16/05/2019	QUT Semester 2 2019 START QUT applications close

QUT: Fashion Illustration

If you are passionate about fashion, you might be interested in the [Fashion Illustration for Beginners](#) courses hosted by QUT's Creative Industries. This course will provide you with the foundations for creating a portfolio of fashion illustration using industry-standard design software. It is held on weekends in April and June 2019.

QUT: START QUT from 2020 onwards

To better manage the demands of the final semester of Year 12 in the new ATAR system, from 2020 onwards, [START QUT](#) will be offered to students in Semester 2 of Year 11 and Semester 1 of Year 12.

QUT: Stay Connected with QUT

Students can receive up-to-date information from QUT about courses, events, scholarships and other activities through [Stay Connected](#).

UQ: 2020 Undergraduate Guide

[UQ's 2020 Undergraduate Guide](#) is now available online. The guide contains a range of useful information for future students including:

- Page 8: Own the Unknown
- Page 16: Scholarships
- Page 27: Admission Pathways
- Page 28: Admission Schemes
- Page 54: Student Services
- Page 34 to 39: A detailed write up of almost 200 UQ Majors and Minors, found across 100+ undergraduate programs

UQ: Experience Science - register now!

Experience Science is a free event, providing students in Years 10-12 the opportunity to discover what studying Science is like at UQ. With programs occurring across Friday 12 July - Thursday 18 July, this event is facilitated by experts from UQ and industry, and provides hands-on, interactive Science workshops. Discover more by visiting the [Experience Science website](#).

UQ: Future Experiences in Agriculture, Science and Technology (FEAST) - register now!

Registrations for Queensland's longest-running Science camp are now open! Students in Years 11 and 12 are invited to apply for the FEAST residential camp, being held at the UQ Gatton campus from Sunday 30 June - Thursday 3 July 2019. Students will experience hands-on workshops, exciting seminars and have the opportunity to immerse themselves in Agricultural, Scientific and Technological career options. For student registration or future information, please visit the FEAST [website](#). Applications close 1 April 2019.

Upcoming Events:

01/04/2019

[Future Experiences in Agriculture, Science and Technology \(FEAST\) applications close.](#)

UQ: Rural Access Scheme

UQ supports applicants from Australian rural and regional areas by boosting their entry score for a number of undergraduate programs. Rural areas of Australia often have restricted or limited access to educational opportunities, resources and health services compared with those available in cities or larger towns. To help address these challenges, and if eligible, two bonus adjustment factors will be added onto your entry rank for the programs below. Please note that bonus adjustment factors are not added onto OP scores. Each OP score is converted by QTAC to an entry rank – and bonus adjustment factors are added to this score.

Students are then assessed based on their new rank. For more information visit UQ's [Special Entry Schemes](#) website.

- Doctor of Medicine (Provisional Entry)
- Bachelor of Clinical Exercise Physiology (Honours)
- Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours)
- Bachelor of Health, Sport and Physical Education (Honours)
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (including all related dual programs)
- Bachelor of Midwifery
- Bachelor of Nursing
- Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery
- Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)
- Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours)
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours)
- Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours)
- Bachelor of Social Work (Honours)
- Bachelor of Speech Pathology (Honours)
- Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Honours)

UQ: The Australian Computational and Linguistics Olympiad (OzCLO)

This contest is for high school students from Years 9 – 12. Participants are challenged to develop their own strategies for solving problems in fascinating real languages. Visit the [website](#) to learn more about the competition. Round one of the competition will be held on 13 March 2019. Round two will be held on 27 March 2019. Teams must register by 8 March 2019. Interested students should talk to a teacher or their school Guidance Officer/Counsellor about entering the Olympiad.

Upcoming Events:

08/03/2019

[UQ's The Australian Computational and Linguistics Olympiad \(OzCLO\) registrations close](#)

USC: Experience Days

This is an day for year 10 students to explore a number of career paths, speak to academics and see what uni life is like. Students can customise their day by selecting from a range of engaging and interactive workshops. Registrations will open soon but in the mean time you can stay updated by registering your interest on the [Experience USC – Sunshine Coast](#) and [Experience USC – Fraser Coast](#) websites.

USC: New Moreton Bay Campus

The University of the Sunshine Coast is building a [new university campus in the heart of Moreton Bay](#). Opening at Petrie in 2020, the campus will offer world-class study opportunities for residents in the region. USC Moreton Bay is being built on 10.5 hectares on the site of the former Petrie Paper Mill. USC Moreton Bay will be a comprehensive teaching and research campus, offering undergraduate, postgraduate and research programs. From 2020, they will offer almost 50 undergraduate degree programs, business,

education, computer science and mechatronics. An additional 16 programs will be introduced in 2021 and 2022. Find out more about [Studying at USC Moreton Bay](#).

USC: Parent Lounge

In the Parent Lounge you will find information about university that will assist you in supporting your child through Year 12 and then into University. Topics covered are listed below and you can [register here](#) for updates.

- Entry options explained
- Courses and programs
- Costs
- Accommodation and transport
- Getting a head start
- The Lounge updates

USC: Credit Calculator for previously completed qualifications

If you have completed a previous course, wither VET or tertiary course you can check what amount of credit that course will gain you towards an undergraduate degree at University of Sunshine Coast. Visit their [Credit transder calculator](#) for more information and to find out what credit you are eligible for.

USC: Headstart is a transition program

Headstart is a transition program for Year 11 and 12 students to study USC courses while still completing high school. Get a taste of university life and prepare for future study while working towards a USC degree, expanding your knowledge, and interacting with university staff and students. [View available courses](#).

Upcoming Events:

19/03/2019	USC Parent Information and HeadStart Caboolture
21/03/2019	USC Parent Information and HeadStart Sunshine Coast
21/03/2019	USC Parent Information and HeadStart Fraser Coast
04/06/2019	Experience USC Fraser Coast, QLD
05/06/2019 to 07/06/2019	Experience USC (USC Sunshine Coast) Sunshine Coast, QLD
23/06/2019	USC Fraser Coast Open Day Fraser Coast, QLD
21/07/2019	USC Sunshine Coast Open Day Sunshine Coast
04/08/2019	USC Caboolture Open Day Caboolture

USQ: First in Family website

Are you the first in your family to consider university as an option for the future? USQ's [First in Family website](#) has valuable information that will help answer some of the questions you might have about university. Also, you can register on the site to receive more information. Information you can explore includes:

- What is first in family?
- Benefits of going to Uni
- Success needs Support
- What to expect
- Hear from students
- Register for more information

Year 12 Subject Assistance Schemes

Traditionally, [Year 12 subject assistance scheme](#) allows students to gain adjustment factors for successfully completing specific Year 12 subjects and through other university specific schemes. The adjustment factors make students more competitive when applying for entry to university and/or TAFE Queensland.

According to the [QTAC Assistance Schemes website](#):

- To get Year 12 subject bonuses, you must be a current Year 12 student
- Institutions decide which subjects they give bonuses for, and how many
- You should check each institution to determine whether Year 12 subject bonus ranks are added to selection ranks for other qualifications such as certificates III or IV or music qualifications etc