

Study Abroad and Incoming Exchange



An international study experience at UQ will broaden your horizons, change your understanding and transform your world outlook.

Consistently ranked among the world's top universities, The University of Queensland (UQ) offers inspiring teaching across more than 4000 courses, world-class indoor and outdoor learning environments, and outstanding facilities. Of UQ's 53,000 student population, more than 18,000 are international students.

The University's outstanding 268,000-plus alumni include a Nobel laureate, the CEO of

a Fortune 500 company, an Academy Award winner, and leaders in government, law, science, public service and the arts.

UQ is one of only three Australian members of the global Universitas 21; a founding member of the Group of Eight (Go8) universities; a member of Universities Australia; and one of only two Australian charter members of the prestigious edX consortium, the world's leading not-for-profit consortium of massive open online courses (MOOCs).

Where is UQ?

UQ offers one of the best campus experiences in the world in a location renowned for its welcoming and relaxed lifestyle, subtropical climate and vibrant and diverse culture.

Brisbane, the home of UQ's St Lucia and Herston campuses, is the capital city of Queensland. Young and progressive, the city

is fast becoming a hub in the Asia-Pacific for business, investment, major events and education. With a population of 2.4 million, Brisbane is also home to over 200 nationalities and 220 languages.

Gatton, the largest town in South-East Queensland's Lockyer Valley, is the home of the UQ Gatton campus. Bordered by unspoilt mountain ranges and located only 87 kilometres from Brisbane, Gatton has a culturally diverse population of approximately 7000 people.

Queensland is Australia's second-largest state by area, and is home to some of the most important natural sites in the world, including the Great Barrier Reef. The state boasts pristine beaches, coral reefs, rainforests, mountain ranges, and outback towns. One of the best ways to discover these is to enrol in a UQ course with a field trip.

future-students.uq.edu.au/living-in-brisbane

Our global reputation



We are in the top 100 globally as measured by several key independent rankings

42nd
globally (3rd in Australia)

U.S. News Best Global Universities, 2020

40th
globally (3rd in Australia)

Performance Ranking of Scientific Papers for World Universities, 2019

47th
globally (5th in Australia)

QS World University Rankings, 2020

54th
globally (2nd in Australia)

Academic Ranking of World Universities, 2019

66th
globally (4th in Australia)

Times Higher Education World University Rankings, 2020

#1
University among the Group of Eight for undergraduate student experience

QILT Student Experience Survey, 2018

Choose a course

Study at one of the most comprehensive universities in Queensland, with more than 4000 courses on offer for you to choose from. Most courses at UQ are open to Study Abroad and Incoming Exchange students, but some require permission from the relevant UQ faculty or school prior to enrolment. For courses you list on your application, UQ's Study Abroad and Incoming Exchange Advisors will request permission on your behalf, and you will receive a report with your letter of offer indicating which courses have been approved.

Follow these simple steps to find courses:

- 1 Go to my.uq.edu.au/programs-courses. Enter a search term in the search bar – you can search by course code or area of interest – and choose 'Courses' from the drop down menu on the right-hand side.
- 2 Check the level of the course (undergraduate or postgraduate), and which semester and campus it is offered: click on the semester for course description.



NOTE: Course information for 2021 will not be available until September/October 2020. Until that time select the most recent year to view the course description.

- 3 On the course description page you will find a short description of the course as well as a link to a detailed course profile. A note on the left sidebar will advise if the course is pre-approved for Study Abroad and Exchange students (if the course is not pre-approved, you must meet the prerequisites to apply).
- 4 To refine your search, go back to the search results page and from the left navigation menu, select your filters: for example, refine your search to include only pre-approved courses for Study Abroad students and/or courses offered in a particular semester.



NOTE: Most Clinical Health Science courses (Medicine, Dentistry, Physiotherapy, Occupational and Speech Therapy and Vet Science) are not available for Study Abroad or Incoming Exchange students.

Entry requirements

To meet UQ's entry requirements for the Study Abroad or Incoming Exchange programs you must:

- have completed at least one full-time year of study at an accredited university
- be currently enrolled at an accredited or exchange partner university
- meet specific course prerequisites for admission into certain courses
- meet UQ's **English language proficiency requirements**
- hold average to above-average results in university studies to date
- for Incoming Exchange students be nominated by your home university.

my.uq.edu.au/studyabroad/admission-requirements

How to apply

Click on the following link to access the online application:

my.uq.edu.au/studyabroad/how-to-apply

If you are an Exchange student, choose the application type 'Incoming Exchange'. If you are a Study Abroad student choose the application type: 'Incoming Study Abroad'. Please ensure that all information is complete and correct and matches the information on your passport.

Your application must also include the following uploaded documents:

- an up-to-date official academic transcript in English, and
- proof of English language proficiency, if applicable.

Application closing dates (recommended)

STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

Semester 1 (Feb–June)	31 October
Semester 2 (July–Nov)	31 March

INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Semester 1 (Feb–June)	30 September
Semester 2 (July–Nov)	28 February

English language support

Bridging English (BE)

If you do not meet UQ's English language requirements, you can improve your English language skills at our award-winning, on-campus Institute of Continuing & TESOL Education prior to starting your Study Abroad or Exchange semester.

icte.uq.edu.au/study/english-courses/bridging-english

English for Academic Communication (EAC)

This English language support program is offered to all UQ students (including Study Abroad and Incoming Exchange) from non-English speaking backgrounds at no additional charge. The program is held throughout Semester 1 and 2 for two hours per week.

icte.uq.edu.au/eac

WRIT1001 and WRIT1005

These are UQ credit-bearing courses (two units each) for students wanting to improve their grammar and academic writing skills.

my.uq.edu.au/programs-courses

Prepare for arrival

Orientation Week (O-Week)

O-Week is a program of social and academic activities designed to introduce you to life and study at UQ. We run special orientation sessions for Study Abroad and Incoming Exchange students on enrolment, using the library, learning assistance, and living and travelling in Australia, so you hit the ground running!

orientation.uq.edu.au

Students with a disability

UQ provides free support, services and facilities for students with a disability, illness, injury or mental health condition. You can contact a disability advisor to ensure your transition to study is as smooth as possible.

uq.edu.au/student-services/disability

Student visas

All international students applying to study in Australia must have a student visa unless they have an alternative visa that enables them to study full-time. Your student visa will allow you to work up to 40 hours every two weeks.

immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500

Health insurance

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) provides international students with basic cover for medical and hospital care costs while in Australia. OSHC is a compulsory requirement for a student visa. UQ can organise OSHC for you through its preferred provider.

future-students.uq.edu.au/international/health-insurance

Academic calendar

SEMESTER 2, 2020

Orientation	20-24 Jul
Classes	27 Jul-27 Sep
Mid-semester break	28 Sep-5 Oct
Semester 2 resumes	6 Oct
Revision period	2-6 Nov
Examination period	7-21 Nov
Semester 2 ends	21 Nov

SEMESTER 1, 2021

Orientation	15-19 Feb
Classes	22 Feb-4 Apr
Mid-semester break	5-11 Apr
Semester 1 resumes	12 Apr
Revision period	31 May-4 Jun
Examination period	5-19 Jun
Semester 1 ends	19 Jun

Getting involved

Summer and Winter Research

The Summer and Winter Research Programs provide you with an opportunity to gain research experience working alongside some of the university's leading academics and researchers during the break between semesters. Students must be enrolled at UQ to apply.

employability.uq.edu.au/summer-winter-research

Keep fit with UQ Sport

UQ Sport offers a wide range of sport, fitness and recreation opportunities. Sporting facilities and services are offered to students at discounted member rates.

uqsport.com.au

UQ Mates

Meet new friends and connect with other students who share your interests through chat groups and on- and off-campus meet-ups. Whether you are into food, drinks, arts, culture, fitness, games or study – find your circle at UQ Mates.

my.uq.edu.au/uqmates

Join a student club, group or society

Expand your social life by joining one of the University's 220 clubs and societies, including QUEST, the Queensland University Exchange Student Society. QUEST is made up of over a thousand Questies each year, from all over the world, making it one of the most vibrant and fun clubs on campus (questociety.net).

uqu.com.au/clubs-societies

Student Employability Centre

Gain experience during your time at UQ through volunteering, mentoring, research or leadership programs. You also have access to a range of free careers seminars and workshops to help you make industry connections, or provide advice on your resume or feedback on interview techniques.

employability.uq.edu.au



Accommodation options

Students have three main accommodation options:

1 On-campus colleges

If you want to arrange your accommodation ahead of time, have your meals catered and lots of support and activities at your fingertips, consider living at one of the ten colleges at UQ St Lucia or the Gatton Halls of Residence. Spaces at the Colleges are very limited and in high demand. Apply early to avoid disappointment.

my.uq.edu.au/student-support/accommodation/on-campus-accommodation

2 Off-campus student accommodation

If you want to be a little more independent but still have your accommodation arranged before you arrive, consider living in off-campus student housing. This is self-catered, furnished accommodation designed for students that can be booked online. Preferred providers are listed on the website

my.uq.edu.au/student-support/accommodation/approved-providers

3 Private housing

The third option is to book temporary accommodation and wait until you arrive in Brisbane to secure permanent accommodation.

If you choose this option, plan to arrive in Brisbane at least two to three weeks before the start of Orientation because it can take some time to find a suitable place and get settled in. This option offers the widest variety of choices and prices.

my.uq.edu.au/student-support/accommodation

Guaranteed accommodation

UQ offers guaranteed accommodation to incoming Study Abroad and Exchange students commencing at St Lucia or Herston campus.

my.uq.edu.au/guaranteed-accommodation



All UQ campuses are smoke-free.

uq.edu.au/wellness-program/smoke-free-uq



Estimated living expenses

All costs are in Australian Dollars (A\$). Please note the expenses quoted are a guide only. They will vary depending on location, lifestyle and personal choices. future-students.uq.edu.au/international/cost-living

Estimated weekly living costs	SINGLE STUDENT LIVING ON CAMPUS	SINGLE STUDENT LIVING OFF CAMPUS (SHARE HOUSE)	SINGLE STUDENT LIVING OFF CAMPUS (COMMERCIAL PRIVATE PROVIDER)	FAMILY (TWO ADULTS, ONE CHILD) LIVING OFF CAMPUS
Rent	\$450-\$700*	\$130**-\$250	\$180-\$520	\$450-\$600
Food	Included in rent	\$100-\$125	\$100-\$125	\$250-\$300
Utilities (gas and electricity)	Included in rent	\$10-\$20	Included in rent***	\$40-\$50
Phone	\$20-\$30	\$20-\$30	\$20-\$30	\$20-\$30
Internet	Included in rent	\$5-\$10	Included in rent***	\$15-\$50
Public transport	\$10-\$20	\$20-\$40	\$20-\$40	\$80-\$160
Photocopying	\$8-\$13	\$8-\$13	\$8-\$13	\$8-\$13
Recreation	\$30-\$50	\$40-\$60	\$40-\$60	\$60-\$100
Clothing or personal care	\$50-\$70	\$50-\$70	\$50-\$70	\$100-\$160

* Cost of fully catered accommodation including utilities. These vary from residential college to college and are drawn from 2019 prices. The weekly cost for a standard resident room in the Halls of Residence in Gatton is approximately \$293.

** Off-campus accommodation costs are usually lower in Gatton. The weekly cost for a single room in a share house in Brisbane starts from \$130.

*** Many student accommodation providers include electricity, gas and internet costs in rent; however, check with your provider to be sure.

Please note - these fees are based on 2019 prices. Students should allow for a four to five per cent increase in living expenses each year.

For the most up-to-date cost of living prices see: future-students.uq.edu.au/international/cost-living.

Visa information

When applying for a student visa, you must meet the Genuine Temporary Entrant criteria (immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500) and have sufficient funds to pay your tuition fees and living costs (and the living costs of any dependants, if applicable) for the duration of your studies.

future-students.uq.edu.au/international/visa-information

For more information

More information about UQ for international students, including the study environment, links to estimated living costs, tuition fees, refund policies, support services, information for students with families and your legal rights as an international student, can be found online.

uq.edu.au/studyabroad



Insider Guides provides a helpful online Cost of Living Calculator to estimate your weekly, monthly and yearly living costs in greater detail.

insiderguides.com.au/cost-of-living-calculator

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