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## **Finding an apprenticeship or traineeship – hear from others who made it happen**

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 where 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 providers, matching skills with jobs and information on the following industries:

- Agriculture and Food processing
- Arts and Culture
- Business 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

By scrolling down you will see in each sector 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 don't know about ADF job, use the Job Finder on the [home page](#) to get you started. Click on 'Jobs' on the top navigation bar and you will see a list of jobs on offer in the various services. All jobs have a brief description, training and benefits including: salary, medical and dental, work/life balance, job security and career development, skill acquisition and community involvement.

## Upcoming Australian Defence Force information sessions

Find out about upcoming Queensland and National ADF events and information sessions by visiting the [Defence Jobs](#) website. In the current COVID-19 environment you can view online:

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

Upcoming ADF events (they sometimes take a few minutes to upload):

21/05/2020 [Gold Coast: Dial In Defence Careers Information Session](#)

25/05/2020 [Gold Coast: Dial In Army Reserve Information Session](#)

27/05/2020 [Toowoomba: Defence Careers Dial In Information Session](#)

03/05/2020 [ADFA Virtual Information Session](#)

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

## 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 you identify the study areas in which your talents and interests will flourish and thrive. The Career Explorer quiz requires you to answer a few short questions to identify your interests, talents and preferences. From the results, you will learn about potential career options that could suit you. Remember it won't tell you what you 'should become' but it can get you started on your investigations.

## Career Counselling may be your answer

Options Career Information provides career counselling for school students and parents as well as people at any stage in their career journey. Sessions can be online, over the phone, or face to face. If you have Extras cover with BUPA, Medibank or Police Health you may be able to make a claim. To make an appointment or find out how we can be of assistance email [shauna@OptionsCareers.com.au](mailto:shauna@OptionsCareers.com.au) or or phone 0413 352 526.

## Have you heard about Quarantine Offices, Film and Video Editors or Law Clerk?

[Quarantine Officers](#) inspect incoming animals, plants, and animal and plant products to ensure compliance with laws and regulations to prevent the spread of exotic pests and diseases and are employed by Federal or state government departments. Having a relevant formal qualifications may be useful and traineeships or other on the job training may be provided.

[Film and Video Editors](#) make and implement editorial decisions regarding mood, pace and climax of films, television programs, video productions or commercials. You can work as a Film and Video Editor without formal qualifications, however, they may be useful. A course in film and video editing might be helpful.

[Law Clerks](#) perform specialised clerical work associated with legal practice and law courts. You can work as a Law Clerk without formal qualifications, however, they may be useful. VET (Vocational Education and Training) and university are both common study pathways for Law Clerks. A course in legal services or legal studies or studies towards a degree in law might be helpful.

## 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 you can use to come up with job ideas. You could also 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.

## Skills Match

Job Outlook has a [Skills Match](#) tool where you can identify job options that match the skills you have already developed through being involved at school, in the community or at work. It is a good tool to help you identify jobs you may not have previously considered.

# Competitions

## Phone It In Competition

To enter, record and submit a piece of microlit on the theme of SOUND. Once you have written your 200 words microlit piece and recorded it, all you need to do is upload the audio file. Your submission should be no longer than 2 minutes in duration. It is open to anyone aged 15 to 18 years old and is free to enter. If Spineless Wonders likes your recording, you'll go in the running to win a \$200 book voucher. The winner will be chosen by a public ballot conducted on the Spineless Wonders' website. Closing date is *Sunday 31 May 2020* and you'll find more information at [Spineless Wonders website](#) including information about MicroLit and writing resources.

## QUT Creative Industries Real World competition

The [QUT Creative Industries RealWorld competition](#) (scroll down) encourages teams of high school students to work together on designing and producing a creative entry, such as a music video, fashion collection or dance performance or other creative work, based on a specific theme chosen by QUT. Prizes of up to \$3,000 are on offer.

## ReelOzInd – Short film competition

Submissions are now open for the 2020 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, 'Energy.' Details are on the [ReelOzInd website](#).

## The Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards 2020

To enter this competition you need to submit up to three poems no longer than 80 lines each; no illustrations, graphics or decorations may be submitted. An optional theme is "We Used to Live There." so you can write about whatever topic sparks your poetic genius. Primary and secondary students can enter as an individual or as a school. The entry fees are: Online entries: individual (up to 3 poems)—\$20.00; up to 30 poems—\$30.00; over 30 poems—\$60.00; over 100 poems—\$80.00. Postal entries (primary only): individual (up to 3 poems)—\$25.00; up to 30 poems—\$35.00; over 30 poems—\$65.00; over 100 poems—\$100.00. Closing date for entries is *Tuesday 30 June 2020*. Visit [Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards website](#) for more information.

## The One–Minute Film Competition 2020

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 24 July 2020. The winners will be announced at the [Atom Awards Event](#), to be held in Melbourne on 10 November 2020. Find out more on the [1-minute film competition website](#).

## World Tales Short Story Competition

Young teenagers from all over the globe are invited to write about challenges of today and tomorrow in the format of a short story of between 250 and 500 words. This year's First Edition theme is “Once upon a time in my future”. Stories should be about the potential for future societies to be fair, inclusive, peaceful, resilient, sustainable and/or tolerant. Participants must be between 12 and 18 years old (inclusive). Entry is free and prizes include Three Laureates — Gold, Silver and Bronze — and will be selected from each of the seven national and regional Coalitions forming ICCAR. Winning stories will be published by Idries Shah Foundation. Winners will be announced on 30 June 2020. Closing date for entries is *Sunday 31 May 2020 at midnight (CET)*. More information visit [UNESCO’s website](#).

# 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 you can 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

## 8 Job Skills To Succeed In A Post-Coronavirus World

Bernard Marr from Forbes suggests that there are eight key job skills that employees need to have to assist in the post COVID-19 world of work. He suggests that as most of us are in lockdown at home, we are left to wonder what a post-coronavirus-world might look like. There's a lot unknown about how the world will transform after we get the novel coronavirus under control, but it is extremely unlikely that things will just go back to exactly the way they were before. Our workplaces are likely to change, and with it, the skills companies will require. The 8 job skills that are likely to be in high demand in a post-coronavirus world are:

- Adaptability and flexibility
- Tech savviness
- creativity and innovation
- Data literacy
- Critical thinking
- Digital and coding skills
- Leadership
- Emotional intelligence
- commit to a lifetime of learning

[Click here](#) to read Marr's article and more about these skills.

## Advice and Support for Job Seekers

If you are looking for a job now or in the future, the Australian Government's [Labour Market Information Portal](#) has lots of great information. On the site you can find information relating to:

- [Jobs Hub](#) - provides an up to date list of some of the business and organisations that are currently hiring
- [Finding work in the Australian jobs market](#)
- [Jobs in demand right now](#)
- Understanding your skills as the jobs in demand change
- [Skills Match](#)
- The [Job Outlook career quiz](#) and how to explore careers that interest you.

## COVID-19 Impacts on Business and Recruitment - survey results

The National Skills Commission Taskforce is undertaking research to identify where job opportunities continue to exist in the Australian labour market despite the economic downturn caused by COVID-19. The Jobs in Demand Employer Survey is based on employer contacts in the five industries that continue to experience relatively strong demand for goods and services (Health Care and Social Assistance; Transport,

Postal and Warehousing; Manufacturing; Retail Trade; and Wholesale Trade). [Click here](#) and then click on the Jobs in Demand Employer Survey - Dashboard as at 8 May to find out more about:

- Top occupations in demand
- Top employability skills in demand
- Recruitment difficulty and reasons for:
- % of employers recruiting by state
- Required qualifications and licences
- Recruitment methods

## Portrait of an AI worker: Where tech and sector expertise meet

Artificial intelligence (AI) development has grown rapidly in recent years as business, governments and organisations search for new insights and efficiencies. With that growth comes new opportunities for employment in this sometimes-misunderstood field. Even amid the flood of COVID-19 news, AI captured headlines: AI for tracking the spread of infectious diseases, AI for sifting through tens of thousands of coronavirus-related research papers for clues to a new vaccine and AI at hospital call centres for triaging patients potentially suffering from COVID-19 as opposed to less-threatening ailments. AI is everywhere, but what does this work look like? What are the qualifications needed? What is the demand for this skill set now and in the future? [Click here](#) to read an article by CERIC and find out more about:

- General versus narrow AI
- Social/technical skills
- Now and in the future

## The Hidden Job Market

The hidden jobs market is a term used to describe jobs that aren't posted online or advertised and can be up to 50 - 80 % of the entire jobs market. 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 gets you on the pathway you want. 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.

## The future is digital: Read Emily's story

As technology reshapes the world right before our eyes, USC explore how the next generation of workers will tackle a changing future. [Meet USC student Emily Wadham](#) who is currently studying a Bachelor of Design to become a User Experience researcher.

## The top graduate employers of 2020

In association between The Australian Financial Review and GradConnection, the Top 100 Graduate Employers 2020 Report showcases the strongest and most appealing graduate job opportunities. The report revealed which employers and industries are more likely in favour of hiring graduates. The top 10 included the likes of banks, accounting and consulting firms and state government. [Click here](#) to read more and see the list of the top 100 employing companies.

# Financial Assistance & Scholarships



## Bond University scholarships for 2021

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](#).





## **Johnathon Thurston Academy**

[Johnathon Thurston Academy](#) is fast becoming a leading national provider of outstanding [employment initiatives](#) and community programs aimed at employment, education and well-being. They develop and deliver high-quality programs equipping participants with the right skills, knowledge, and attributes to make a significant and positive future impact. Through strong partnerships, they are committed to supporting individuals to reach personal, educational, and career goals. 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.

[QS 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.

## How we got in - US Uni Admits Share Their Top Tips

Learn from a recent Brisbane student who gained admission to Ivy League schools, Yale and UPenn with the help of Crimson Education, as well as more top admits from around Australia! [Click here](#) to read more.

# Job Info

## The Job I Love website

This [website](#) focuses on 14 different jobs in the service industries, including Beauty Business to Business, Community Recreation, Community Pharmacy, Fitness, Floristry, Funeral Services, Outdoor Recreation, Hairdressing, Retail, Sport & Recreation, Hospitality, Travel & Tourism and Events. The information provided for each industry includes the careers, tasks, job profiles, career opportunities, training, qualifications and job roles in the sector.

## 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.

## Where can Maths take you

[AMSI](#) reports that Mathematics is an essential in the 21st century workforce and it's your doorway to nearly every industry. More than crunching numbers, Maths is the language that allows you to solve the problems of tomorrow, innovate new technology and lead scientific discoveries. So if you're wondering where on earth you'll ever use Maths, don't! Some of the biggest challenges for future generations are still to come and the solution is Maths! [Check out](#) what jobs Maths is used in different industries (scroll down). 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.



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

The purpose of a career expo, either online or attending in person, is to give you an opportunity to explore your future options in employment, training and/or higher education. 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 hard copy or online brochures as well as get accurate, up-to-date information from representatives who can answer your questions.

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 draw card 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 (where their stands are located on the expo site). Use this to get around the expo and you could also look at who else is there. After the expo, it's 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.

## QCE Beyond Virtual Careers Expo

InspireED are holding the QCE and Beyond virtual careers expo on Wednesday 17 to Sunday 21 June. The expo will connect Years 10 - 12 students and parents with leading educational providers. The expo will feature:

- Live chat with expert teachers and universities
- Access study resources in all major subjects
- View and participate in live webinars
- Chat with teachers, counsellors and university course advisors
- Parents can download tips and strategies to support their child
- Parent specific videos and participate in live webinars

[Click here](#) to register.

# Private Provider Updates

## **Mater Education high school health adventure**

Are you a Year 10, 11 or 12 student thinking about a career as a health professional? If so, this program is for you! The High School Health Adventure program is a three day hands on immersive experience so you can find out about the exciting opportunities available in a variety of healthcare professions. This program will use simulation to provide an experience of what 'a day in the life' of a healthcare professional might look like. You will work within a unique curriculum designed to follow simulated "patients" on their journey through the healthcare system. The program covers emergency and critical care, surgical, obstetrics and provide a forum to understand academic pathways required to become a health professional. [Click here](#) for more information.

## **Queensland Police Recruiting seminars**

If you are interested in exploring the career opportunities within the Queensland Police Service you can visit their [website](#) for recruitment information and to keep track of when information sessions will be held after the current COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. On the site you can find links to entry pathways, diversity and inclusion, what's offered, unsworn QPS careers, frequently asked questions and event and information session details.



## English eligibility for ATAR

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

- Successful completion of an English subject is a mandatory requirement for the award of an ATAR. Students are required to successfully complete (i.e. be awarded a raw letter grade of “C” or better) in one of the following QCAA English subject offerings:
  - English
  - English as an Additional Language
  - Literature
  - English & Literature Extension
  - Essential English
- While successful completion of an English subject is a mandatory requirement for ATAR eligibility, there are no mandatory subject inclusions for the ATAR
- 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.

## Inter-subject scaling: An introduction

Every subject offered at senior level in Queensland schools is unique. Each one has its own syllabus objectives and assessment criteria. Each subject assesses different knowledge and skill sets. Students’ performance varies across different subjects and the range of results they achieved can be significantly different from the results that students achieved in another subject. This means that a straight comparison of raw subject scores can be misleading and therefore why scaling is used in the calculation of Queensland ATAR scores. To read more about the scaling process you can read the QTAC article *Inter-Subject Scaling: An Introduction*. It provides information on technical definitions, reasons why scaling is necessary and the 'how' of scaling. You can find the easy to read article on the [QTAC website](#) by clicking on ATAR guides and technical documents and then *Inter-subject scaling white paper*.

## Making sure you meet tertiary prerequisites

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 2021 and [2022](#).

## Tertiary entry questions from current Year 12 students

### 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 ATAR 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 (ATAR 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?
- Does the university offer overseas study options?

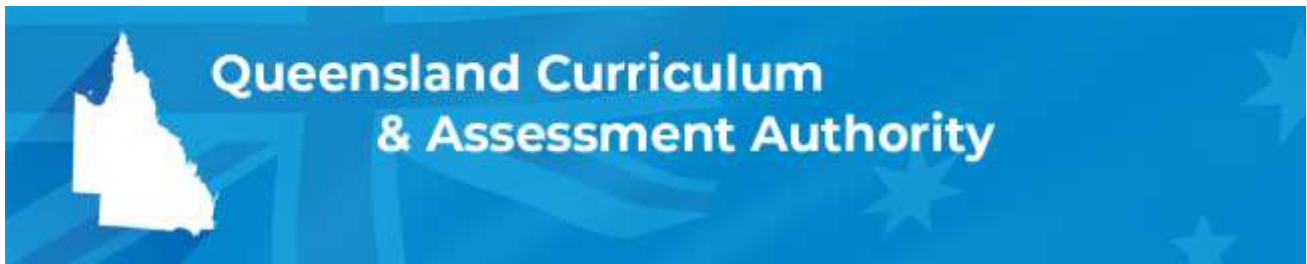
These websites can help you with your research.

- [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
- [Course Seeker](#) - Thousands of on-campus and online courses across Australia

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 but check that they are still being held or if they are being held virtually.
- 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 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.

Meeting the literacy standards: you can 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. [Click here](#) to see other Literacy options including International Baccalaureate.

Meeting the numeracy standards: you can 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. [Click here](#) to see other numeracy options including International Baccalaureate.

### Students, parents/carers factsheets

QCAA has put together [facts sheets](#) to provide you with some guidance when preparing for external assessment and study strategies while learning from home. Although you may be back at school now, the information in the handouts will still be valuable in your preparation for the end of year exams. There are fact sheets for subjects within the following subject headings:

- English
- Health and Physical Education
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Sciences
- Technologies
- The Arts



# Study Skills

## Staying motivated

With the pressure of this year's school disruption impacting on assignments, exams, social events (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, touch base with friends, watch a movie. 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.



## **Certificate IV in Cyber Security**

This [course in cyber security](#) develops the technical skills you need to protect organisations against malicious cyber activity. Job prospects include: Cyber security support officer, Security penetration tester, Information systems security support officer, Network security support officer, website security support officer

## **Degree qualifications through TAFE Queensland**

TAFE Queensland deliver degrees that have a theoretical side as well as applied-learning style that see graduates prepared for work. Partnered with some of Australia's most respected universities, TAFE provide students with up-to-date skills for a changing workforce and adaptable thinking skills. [Click here](#) to see the range of Degree courses offered through TAFE.

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

TAFE Qld offers the following dental courses. Visit their [website](#) for more information.

[Certificate III in Dental Assisting](#) – Dental Assistants assist the Dentist or Dental Hygienist by preparing the surgery for patient treatment, sterilizing instruments, chair side assistance and exposing and processing dental X-rays.

[Diploma of Dental Technology](#) – Dental Technologists work in laboratories making crowns, bridges and dentures from a dentist's impression of the patient's teeth. The two year Dental Technology course is delivered at the South Bank campus.

[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. This three year degree is delivered at the South Bank campus.

## **Know someone who finished Year 12 in 2019**

The Queensland Government is offering 2019 Year 12 leavers free TAFE in over 160 qualifications in high-priority areas. [Click here](#) to see the available study areas.



## The National Association of Women in Construction Webinar

Jobs in the construction industry offer attractive pay, national and international mobility and the sheer satisfaction of being part of building something for the future. Between community infrastructure updates and new building projects, construction projects are always on the go. This webinar is designed specifically for high school students to find out about career options and pathways in the construction industry. Hear from university students, young professionals and industry leaders to learn about their journeys and what it is like to work in the construction industry. The webinar will be on Friday 22 May from 10 - 10:45AM. [Click here](#) to registration. If you can't attend you can still register as you will probably be emailed a recording of the webinar.

## Australian Catholic University

### Biomedical Science at ACU

Has the current pandemic made you think about how a future career in STEM, particularly biomedical science, can help protect the world? ACU's [Biomedical Science](#) students explore microbiology, biochemistry, pathophysiology, immunology, biostatistics, pharmacology and more. Graduates are well-equipped to meet future health challenges. With a degree in biomedical science you can:

- start a career running clinical trials to test new vaccines
- get involved in hands-on laboratory testing to process biological samples for diagnosis
- understand how a virus becomes a pandemic and help the medical community take appropriate safety and preventive measures
- help pharmaceutical companies in vaccine production, testing, and distribution.

### Early entry to ACU - Community Achiever Program

Are you looking at gaining an early entry offer into university in 2021? ACU have early entry programs to suit a range of interests and passions. The [Community Achiever Program](#) (CAP) offers future students who are active in their community, early offers to their undergraduate course of choice. From regularly volunteering in your community, to representing your school or house in a leadership role, we urge all eligible students to apply. CAP provides opportunities for you to enhance your leadership and volunteering skills and if you're successful, you could receive an offer to study with us as early as August.

Due to COVID-19 social distancing protocols, ACU understands most people are not able to volunteer right now. The admissions team will take this into consideration and you should not let current restrictions deter you from applying. Applications for the 2021 CAP program opened on 1 May 2020 and close 29 July 2020. [Apply here](#).

## Numbers that count

ACU have released a poster that summarises key facts about ACU and their course offerings for students. Follow the [link](#) to access the poster which includes information about where ACU sits in the:

- Australian university rankings
- World university rankings
- Research area
- Graduate outcomes and more

## One-on-one consultations

Are you in your final years of high school and wondering about university? Book a 30-minute, one-on-one phone consultation with to chat about your study options and what to expect at university. This is the perfect opportunity to gain personalised advice and get all your questions answered. If you are interested in chatting with someone from ACU, email [futurestudy.bne@acu.edu](mailto:futurestudy.bne@acu.edu) with your phone number and preferred date (Monday to Friday) and time (9am – 4pm) and a friendly team members will be in touch with you.

## Planning for university during change and uncertainty

Even during challenging periods of change, successfully planning for your future and completing your studies is achievable. No matter what is going on in the world, you can always take positive steps towards a bright future. [Check out](#) ACU's hints and tips for staying motivated towards gaining your university goals.

## Australian National University

### ANU's College of Engineering and Computer Science webinars

ANU invite you to an informative webinar series hosted by the College of Engineering and Computer Science. Each webinar will focus on a specific topic including student life at ANU, ANU areas of expertise, courses, structure and career outcomes. You will be able to ask their academics, students and staff any questions about studying at ANU. The webinars are:

21/05/2020 [Biomedical Systems](#): Using tech to improve lives - Join us for a live webinar about how engineering has the potential to improve human lives.

26/05/2020 [Student life at ANU](#) - Listen to a panel discussion with students from the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science.

28/05/2020 [Internships, industry experience and employment opportunities](#) - Insights on gaining industry experience and getting job-ready for future opportunities.

02/06/2020 [Discover Engineering at ANU](#) - A unique interdisciplinary and systems approach to engineering that develops world-class skills and expertise to be job-ready.

## Central Queensland University

### CQU: CQUniversity Online Chat Session

Got questions about TAFE or university? Get the answers at the Online Chat Session on 21 May from 3 - 6pm. [Click here](#) for more information about this event.

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

CQUniversity provide innovative and flexible study options in Brisbane. Some of the 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.
- [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.
- [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.
- [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.

## Griffith University

### Griffith Uni GUESTS applications for Trimester 2 now open

Applications Trimester 2, 2020 close on 15 June for Griffith University's Early Start to Tertiary Studies (GUESTS) on-campus and online for high achieving Year 11 and 12 students. 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 ATAR ranking when applying for Griffith and credit transfer once they commence their related degree. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, students will commence Semester 2 courses online until the university opens for on campus classes. Find out more on the [Griffith University GUESTS](#) web page, phone 1800 677 728 or email [guests\\_enquiry@griffith.edu.au](mailto:guests_enquiry@griffith.edu.au)

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

The Conservatorium offers Tertiary Preparation Workshops to help you stand out from the pack at your audition for the Bachelor of Music at the Queensland Conservatorium, Griffith University. If you are in your final years of high school or know someone wanting to apply 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 29 June – 3 July 2020. For more information visit their [event information page](#).

## Not going to finish your IB Diploma?

If you experience circumstances that prevents you from being awarded a IB Diploma you can apply for Griffith Uni courses through QTAC with a written statement outlining why you were unable to be awarded the Diploma. If Griffith accepts that these circumstances prevented you from achieving the Diploma, QTAC will assess you based on the study that was completed and may invite you to provide additional supporting material of your capability to succeed in tertiary study. [Click here](#) to find out more.

## Using VET and other alternative qualifications for competitive entry to Griffith University

Griffith recognises the skills and knowledge gained through Vocational Education and Training (VET) as a highly effective pathway to university. Students with a [VET qualification](#) completed at high school will continue to be considered for admission whether or not they are ATAR-eligible. QTAC will consider your VET qualification in conjunction with other senior subjects or as a stand alone qualification when you are applying for entry into Griffith courses. Griffith Uni will continue to accept applicants with a rank from Dance, Music and Performing Arts qualifications such as AMEB.

## Queensland University of Technology

### QCE and Beyond - Virtual Careers Expo

Visit QUT at the virtual expo hall from 17-21 June and chat to our staff and students about undergraduate courses, gaining entry to QUT and life as a uni student. Hosted by InspirED, the [Virtual Careers Expo](#) is an opportunity to explore Australia's major tertiary education providers online over five days.

### QUT Match My Skills reminder

Need help finding a uni course that suits you? Follow the steps to create a personalised list of courses, that may suite your interests. It takes less than 10 minutes. Visit [Match My Skills](#) and give it a test drive.

### QUT Offer Guarantee

The QUT offer guarantee allows students with an ATAR 87.00 or above guaranteed entry into a wide range of QUT courses. More competitive courses are guaranteed at an ATAR 93.00 or above. [Check here](#) for more information.

### “No Walls”

Visit “no walls” for an insight into creative, communication and design careers. If you are 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.

# The University of Queensland

## Admission Schemes update

### *Changes to the Rural Access Scheme*

From 2021, the Rural Access Scheme will be expanded to include the following Gatton programs:

- B Agribusiness (and dual degrees)
- B Agricultural Science
- B Equine Science
- B Wildlife Science

Rural students receive two adjustment factors to their UQ preferences

**Note:** With the end of the OP system, the OP Guarantee Scheme is no longer relevant . UQ intends on adopting an ATAR Guarantee Scheme with details to come later in the year.

## Auditions for the 2021 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 2021. The closing date for applications to audition is Thursday 13 August 2020. The university may not accept your application to audition if your application is incomplete or received after that date. [Click here](#) for the apply for the application to audition form and further information.

## Changes to Undergraduate entry requirements for 2021

The University of Queensland has made changes to some of their entry requirements for the following 2021 entry:

- Bachelor of Science and most related dual degrees now have the following new prerequisites: English, Mathematical Methods plus one of Chemistry, Physics, Biology or Earth and Environmental Science
- Pending approval: - B Biotechnology and B Biomedical Science so keep checking the [UQ website](#) for further information

## Doctor of Medicine - Provisional Entry for School Leavers - Changes to admissions process for 2021

Changes to [Medicine](#) entry requirements for 2021 are:

- Applicants must be a current school leaver
- Applicants must attain min ATAR 95
- Applicants must sit UCAT. Late bookings to sit UCAT in 2020 for 2021 entry have now closed
- Applicants must meet English prerequisite (and any other prerequisites for first degree)
- Applicants attend a [Multiple Mini Interview](#) (MMI). Applicants will be invited to attend the MMI based on UCAT scores. Not all applicants will be invited



### *Merit order selection into the program*

- Applicants will receive a score based on their Interview score (50%), UCAT Sections 1-4 aggregate (25%) and ATAR (25%)
- Note that UQ admissions schemes and ATAR adjustments (max 5 points) will still apply to MD Provisional Entry

### *Requirements to progress from first degree to Medical Program*

- Must complete their designated key degree in the minimum time (i.e. 3 year degree finished in 3 years) and must achieve GPA 5.00
- Must complete the two tertiary science subject prerequisites during their undergraduate studies prior to enrollment in the MD

## **How is UCAT scored?**

The UCAT is a multiple choice exam consisting of 5 sections:

1. Verbal Reasoning
2. Decision Making
3. Quantitative Reasoning
4. Abstract Reasoning. Each section may have different number of marks but are scaled evenly to give a score between 300 to 900. The total score ranges between 1200 to 3600.
5. Situational Judgement: A test to measure “non-cognitive attributes”. Scoring for this section is in deciles: 1 (highest) to 10

You must sit UCAT in order to be considered for entry into Medicine - Provisional Entry for School Leavers. It is highly recommended that you undertake solid preparation before sitting UCAT and the official [UCAT website](#) has many preparation resources that you can access for free.

## **International Baccalaureate and UQ entry**

[International Baccalaureate updates](#) from 2021 onward:

- Incomplete IB Diplomas will not be assigned a selection rank.
- IB Diploma subjects as part of an incomplete IB Diplomas can still be used to meet subject prerequisites
- New subject assessments:
  - Environmental Systems and Societies approved for Earth Science
  - Mathematics: Application and Interpretation (SL) approved for Mathematical Methods
  - Sports and Exercise Science not approved for B Primary Education Science requirements

## International students

[UQ's Student Services](#) provide support for international students including:

- Transition to living in Brisbane and Australia
- Guaranteed accommodation and free airport pick up services
- Financial, welfare and health issues
- English language, OSHC, and understanding student visas

UQ accepts Under 18s without a family guardian

- UQ has guardianship responsibilities in place through our Student Services division
- 17 years is the minimum age for new students at UQ
- Students must live in UQ approved accommodation

Applications made through QTAC – no directly to UQ

- Conditional offer letters will include all preferences
- After the release of QTAC results, UQ International Admissions will contact you about your eligibility and information on how to accept
- If you need to change your preferences after you receive your QTAC results, you should contact UQ International Admissions directly

## Multi Mini Interviews (MMIs)

Multi Mini Interviews (MMIs) have been introduced into the entry requirements for Medicine at UQ but how do they work?

- MMIs assess applicants' non-academic qualities such as empathy, integrity and communication skills
- The MMI consists of 8 'stations' with an individual examiner. Applicants are presented with a written scenario prior to each station.
- Applicants move from station to station with short breaks between each station. A bell will announce the beginning and end of each station. MMIs will typically be delivered face to face.
- Each examiner provides a rating for the applicant's response in that station (0 – 5, maximum 40 points across the 8 stations). Applicants may be 'red flagged' for inappropriate behaviour during a station
- Applicants will be invited to attend the MMI based on their UCAT scores and not all applicants will be invited to participate in MMIs. MMIs will be held in both Brisbane and regional areas. (COVID-19 restrictions may see MMIs be being conducted through videoconferencing in 2020)
- Invitations to attend MMI session will be made in October 2020 and interviews will be conducted in November 2020.
- **Note** the early QTAC closing date of 30 September 2020 for preferencing Medicine - Provisional Entry for Year 12 School Leavers

## New 21st Century Skills - Biotechnology

The [Bachelor of Biotechnology \(Honours\)](#) program will provide you with advanced knowledge of how biotechnology uses cellular and biomolecular processes to develop new technologies and products. You'll graduate ready for a career in research or product development. Some key aspects are:

- Interdisciplinary science
- Combines Science + Business + Entrepreneurship
- Global application across many sectors
- High employability for graduates

## New Bachelor of Agricultural Science

The [Bachelor of Agricultural Science](#) program is a three year degree which replaces two existing programs, and is offered at Gatton. Key aspects of the degree are:

- The program places emphasis on sustainability which is embedded across the entire program
- The Majors are in Agronomy, Horticulture and Animal Science
- Combines laboratory, field and industry experience
- Can be a dual program with Agribusiness
- Offers an additional optional Honours year leading to research
- Prerequisites: Queensland ATAR or equivalent, English plus one of General Mathematics or Mathematical Methods

## 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? **NO!** This and other myths are busted on the [Facts and Myths about UQ webpage](#).

## UQ programs requiring Specific Requirements

The following programs have specific entry requirements when applying to UQ:

- Bachelor of Nursing
  - ATAR or 83.65/IB 30 or higher
  - If coming from an English as a second language background you must have English language proficiency scored from one of the following tests:
    - IELTS Academic
    - Pearson PTE (Academic)
    - TOEFL iBT
- Bachelor of Medicine (Doctor of)
  - UCAT or ISAT
  - ATAR or 95.00/IB 37 or higher
- Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours)
  - ATAR 99.00/IB 42
  - UCAT or ISAT Not required

## Updates on UQ entry rank options

As from 2021, UQ will no longer allocate a separate entry rank for school leavers for the following:

- A VET award alone
- Music/Speech/Drama awards (such as AMEB awards)

- ATAR applicants will still be able to use their VET qualifications to apply for entry to UQ in subsequent years. This means Year 12, 2020 students can use VET qualifications for 2022 admissions (just not for 2021)

### What's new at UQ

- [Bachelor of Advanced Humanities \(Western Civilisation\) \(Hons\)](#) - This four-year honours program is designed for high-achieving students with a keen interest in the humanities. Develop valuable logical reasoning, communication and creative thinking skills that can be applied across a range of areas and industries.
- [Bachelor of Humanities/Bachelor of Laws \(Hons\)](#) - This dual degree allows you to combine studies in law with a Bachelor of Humanities (BHum) specialising in the study of Western Civilisation. The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (LLB(Hons)) degree leads to employment as a barrister or solicitor, prosecutor of crime, community lawyer, legal officer in public service, or in-house counsel for a large corporation. The BHum will equip you with knowledge and insights applicable to many of the problems that societies face today, and the collaborative and persuasive skills to bring about meaningful change.

### Program Discontinued from 2020

- Associate Degree in Business (UQ College)

### New/changed Programs in 2021

- [B Arts](#) now has a Legal Education Studies major and no longer a Criminology major
- B Design Studies (proposed) Majors: Anthropology; Building and Planning; Innovation and Entrepreneurship; Media and Digital Cultures - check on the UQ website for further information

## University of Southern Queensland

### Semester 2 Head Start applications now open

The USQ Semester 2 Head Start program is an opportunity for high achieving Years 10, 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 24 July 2020.

## University of the Sunshine Coast

### 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. This site can be helpful in getting a better understanding between jobs and their related degrees generally.

## **Career resources**

Career planning is a lifelong process. It involves a series of decisions considered over time as your life priorities and opportunities change. Career planning is about choosing a degree or field of study that matches your chosen career path and preparing you for employment. You can now explore your career options using these three steps; Career and self assessment, Find out about careers and occupations and Choose the right USC degree. The USC [Deciding on a Career webpage](#) has lots of tips to help you with your career and course investigation and decisions.

## **Parents can get your questions answered**

If your child is wondering what uni life is really like or has questions about what to expect, we can help. [You can chat with USC online](#) Monday to Friday, 10am to 5pm. We'd love to answer your questions.

## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
20/05/2020	Careers in Business, Sport, Hotel and Tourism Management, Actuarial Science and Commerce Experience Day
21/05/2020	Cairns Youth and Careers Expo
21/05/2020	SAE virtual open day
23/05/2020	Actuarial Science and Commerce Experience Day
24/05/2020	• Southern Cross Cultural Exchange information session
25/05/2020	ANU applications for 2021 entry closes
25/05/2020	GU: The GriffithBUSINESS Responsible leaders of the future conference
27/05/2020	GU: The GriffithBUSINESS Responsible leaders of the future conference
27/05/2020	Northern Rivers Griffith Uni STEM Road Show event
31/05/2020	Future Leaders Awards 2020 applications close
31/05/2020	Future Leaders Writing Prize entries close
31/05/2020	Helen Handbury Leadership Award entries close
31/05/2020	START QUT Semester 2, 2020 applications close
01/06/2020	National Council of Women Bursary Program Closes
01/06/2020 to 28/08/2020	RealWorld Studio Competition close
01/06/2020	UQ Ramsay Undergraduate Scholarships applications open
03/06/2020	UQ Public Health Hackathon - Register Now
05/06/2020	Bruce Dawe National Poetry Prize entries close
10/06/2020	Year 10 Bundaberg university experience
13/06/2020	Health Simulation Experience
15/06/2020	QUT semester 2 bridging course program applications close
21/06/2020	University of the Sunshine Coast Fraser Coast Campus Open Day
26/06/2020	The 2020 Hermitage Plant Science Competition closes
27/06/2020 to 12/07/2020	World Science Festival Ipswich Holiday program
28/06/2020 to 01/07/2020	Feast in 2020
30/06/2020	Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Competition
30/06/2020	Film and Television Experience Day