

QUT's commitment to Indigenous Australian alumni

QUT acknowledges the Turrbal and Yugara, as the First Nations owners of the lands where QUT now stands. We pay respect to their Elders, lores, customs and creation spirits. We recognise that these lands have always been places of teaching, research and learning.

As a university committed to recognising and fostering Indigenous Australian excellence, we value the real-world impact QUT Indigenous Australian alumni make. We recognise the professional and cultural expertise Indigenous Australian alumni offer and develop in their respective fields of work, and we seek to celebrate their achievements and support their career aspirations. Our commitment to the success of QUT Indigenous Australian students continues beyond graduation, and we recognise the importance of maintaining relationships grounded in respect, genuine partnership and reciprocity.

This statement of commitment outlines QUT's resolve to deepen and enhance connections with Indigenous Australian alumni. It aims to promote university-wide involvement to engage with and celebrate Indigenous Australian alumni. We all have a role to play in the success of this commitment, and together we can foster a vibrant network where Indigenous Australian alumni feel a sense of connection and belonging in the QUT community.

Our vision

Foster a vibrant network where Indigenous Australian alumni feel a sense of connection and belonging in the QUT community.

Our goals

We commit to building a QUT alumni network where Indigenous Australian alumni:

- feel a sense of belonging within the QUT community,
- are celebrated for their achievements and contributions,
- continue lifelong learning with QUT, from professional development courses to higher degree research programs, and
- consider QUT a university of choice for industry and research partnerships.

Our approach

Recognition and respect

We recognise and respect the significant contributions and achievements Indigenous Australian alumni make to our world academically, economically, culturally and socially.

Strengths-based approach

We adopt a strengths-based approach in our engagement with Indigenous Australian alumni, stakeholders and communities by recognising and valuing the professional and cultural expertise Indigenous Australian alumni offer.

Mutually beneficial relationships

We commit to ensuring reciprocity is at the forefront of our approach to building and maintaining relationships with Indigenous Australian alumni.

Delivering our commitment

Co-led by the Alumni and Engagement Office and the Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Australians), our commitment adopts a whole-of-university approach underpinned by three pillars: Activate, Elevate and Celebrate. Through these pillars, we will develop an operational plan to effectively coordinate activities to bring our commitment into practice.

Activate

The Activate pillar aims to leverage existing QUT services, programs and events to promote engagement, recruitment and procurement opportunities with Indigenous Australian alumni.

Elevate

The Elevate pillar aims to enhance communication and connection with Indigenous Australian alumni, fostering a sense of community and belonging.

Celebrate

The Celebrate pillar aims to acknowledge and honour the experiences, achievements and contributions of Indigenous Australian alumni across our faculties, divisions and QUT community.

Outcomes we want to achieve

- Enhanced connection and engagement with the Indigenous Australian alumni community.
- Leverage expertise of the Indigenous Australian alumni to assist with achieving positive education and research outcomes.
- Promote QUT as the university of choice for further learning and career development for Indigenous Australian alumni.
- Raised profile and visibility of Indigenous Australian alumni achievements and contribution.

For more information or to update your details visit: qut.edu.au/engage/alumni/indigenous-australian

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