

Uni- see you there

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Uni is for everyone, and there's so much help and support available. I had many financial challenges and thought that I was too poor to come to uni, but QUT helped me overcome my doubts.

I am a Q-Step student via the Educational Access Scheme, and received an Equity Scholarship. If it wasn't for that support, I wouldn't be where I am today - studying my second degree. Even if you're experiencing financial hardship, uni is an option and you can still succeed.



Completed your pre-uni checklist?

Entry programs

Finances

Accommodation

Support services

Check your entry options

Educational Access Scheme (EAS)

If you are applying through QTAC and you've experienced circumstances that have negatively affected your most recent studies, you can receive an adjustment to your selection rank (or OP equivalent) www.qut.edu.au/study/educational-access-scheme-benefits

Oodgeroo Unit For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants. If you haven't completed year 12 or didn't get the OP/rank you need for the course you want, the Centralised Assessment and Selection Program provides another way into uni. www.qut.edu.au/oodgeroo

Mature-age and post-school entry

If you haven't finished Year 12, or have studied previously, the way you apply will be slightly different. www.qut.edu.au/study/entry-pathways

Upgrading If you're not sure you'll get the OP or rank you need for the course you want, there are ways to upgrade. www.qut.edu.au/upgrading

Get your finances in order

HELP loans Many students are able to defer paying their university fees via a HELP loan, but your residency status will determine whether you're eligible. www.qut.edu.au/study/hecs-help

Centrelink

Payments – Government payments can help you manage your study and living costs. Payments available include Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY. Your age and personal circumstances will determine what you are eligible for.

Loan – If you receive one of the above Centrelink payments you can also apply for a Student Start-up Loan, which is repaid in the same way as a HELP debt.

Relocation scholarship – If you receive Youth Allowance or ABSTUDY and move from a regional or remote area to study, you could be eligible. www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/students-and-trainees

QUT Equity scholarships

These scholarships are awarded based on financial need. Computers are also available through the scheme. www.qut.edu.au/equity-scholarships

Other QUT scholarships QUT also offers scholarships based on factors such as academic merit, being an elite athlete, being from a regional area, and many more. www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships

Part-time work Most students need a part-time job to make ends meet. There are lots of ways to find work, including online search engines, the QUT Guild classifieds and the QUT Careers Hub. www.qut.edu.au/about/services-and-facilities/all-services/careerhub

Put a roof over your head

Accommodation Services

Get information and advice on accommodation, and assistance if problems arise. www.qut.studystays.com.au and www.qut.edu.au/study/student-life/life-in-brisbane

Get support

O-Week Your key to success. Find your feet, know where you're going and make friends. www.qut.edu.au/orientation

Disability Services For students with a disability, injury or health condition. Make early contact to get the support you need. www.qut.edu.au/disability-support

Faculty low income student contact officers Support available from faculties varies but may include: textbook loans, photocopy credit, help with course costs such as special uniforms or equipment.

QUT Financial Helpline Welfare officers can help you with: budgeting, Centrelink advocacy and information, a loan through the Student Financial Assistance Scheme, and information about scholarships and bursaries.

Student Guild The Guild offers a food bank, job and accommodation classifieds, legal assistance, a second-hand book shop, community referrals and much more. www.qutguild.com

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Is university for me?



There's a strong
Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander
community.

20%

of QUT students come
from **outside Brisbane.**



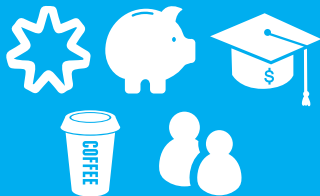
NEARLY
8000



international students
from **more than**
100 countries study
at QUT—enjoy a
culturally diverse and
inclusive environment.

Money matters

**SUPPORT
THROUGH**



Centrelink, scholarships,
HECS-HELP, part-time
work and help from
parents/guardians.



\$4 MILLION
IN SCHOLARSHIPS

available to students
who need financial
support.



**BACHELOR DEGREE
GRADUATES EARN**

40%

more over their working life
than those whose highest
qualification is Year 12.

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