Your Visual Arts application information

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About QUT

Queensland University of Technology (QUT) is a major Australian university with a global outlook and a real-world focus. QUT is a young university. You can feel that energy from the moment you join us. The buildings are spacious, open and collaborative. The facilities are state of the art. Not just the labs and studios, but the creative and performance spaces, swimming pools, gyms, tennis courts and athletics track.

We are a real-world university that is transforming the experience we offer our 50,000 students. But what does that really mean? Well it’s about giving you practical skills to support the theory so when you graduate, you can step into your career and perform with confidence.

You’ll learn from teaching staff who are industry leaders. They’re smart, inspiring and exceptional. We’re not just saying that, they have the awards to prove it. Courses are taught by full-time academic staff alongside part-time lecturers and tutors who are working in the field and bring real experiences and contacts to the classroom and studio.

Graduate with the skills you need. During your course, you’ll undertake hands-on learning in our studios and work on real projects. You can also gain work experience with an organisation in your field. This will give you a real sense of what it’s going to be like working with real deadlines and think-on-your-feet situations that get your adrenaline pumping.

We embrace technology to make your life easier. At the most technically advanced creative space in Australia, you can develop your creativity and collaborate in technology-equipped exhibition spaces for multimedia displays and final-year showcases. You will develop your craft with assistance from wired, black box performance spaces for live experimental work, fully equipped and staffed performance spaces and studios.

Remember, there’s more to uni than just study. The fun starts from day one and this is where you’ll form friendships and creative connections that can last a lifetime. There’s a great sense of community at QUT too. Students who have travelled from overseas, interstate or outside of Brisbane feel right at home here, and so will you.

We recognise the important contribution First Nations people make to the creative and cultural life of Australia. The Queensland University of Technology (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 have always been places of teaching, research and learning. QUT acknowledges the important role Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people play within the QUT community.
About QUT Creative Industries

Today, in every field, creativity is essential. It opens the door to new discoveries. It shows the way forward. It defines and redefines a changing world. QUT Creative Industries is a world leader in creative practice, communication and design teaching, and research. We create, communicate and design towards a future driven by knowledge and technology.

Across three schools we deliver the Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Communication, Bachelor of Design and Bachelor of Creative Industries degrees. This means you’ll be able to specialise in your chosen field, but also have the option to diversify your knowledge or pursue a passion in a different area from across the faculty or university.

We have over 500 industry partners to help you connect with real-world practical work and project experiences to increase your industry networks and employability when you graduate. In fact, QUT has been ranked #1 in Queensland for full-time graduate employment outcomes in creative arts*.

About the School of Creative Practice

Set within the Creative Industries, Education and Social Justice Faculty and based at the Kelvin Grove campus in Brisbane, the School of Creative Practice is a connected community of creative practitioners and researchers. The school is home to the Bachelor of Fine Arts program that brings together a range of creative practice disciplines, animation, creative writing, dance, drama, film and screen, music, technical production and visual arts.

This provides you with the opportunity to engage in transdisciplinary approaches to learning where you will get opportunities to work with students from other creative areas – reflective of collaborative experiences in the real world.

Specialist research adds depth to your studies and can help you in your career management.

* QILT Graduate Outcomes Survey (GOS) 2017-2019
About your course

A QUT visual arts degree offers you the opportunity to immerse yourself in the dynamic and transformative culture of contemporary art.

You will build your career portfolio with tailored professional experiences including industry-based projects and internships at leading arts organisations, galleries and museums. You’ll get to broaden your global perspectives of art through international study tours and student exchanges and showcase your artwork to industry professionals in the annual graduate exhibition.

Your facilities
Throughout this degree you’ll work intensively with leading creative artists and thinkers in state-of-the-art facilities. In a unique Open Studio environment, you will be able to experiment across an extensive range of art media including installation, video, performance, photography, digital media, drawing, painting, printmaking and sculpture.

Learn from the best
You will be mentored by internationally renowned industry professionals. Your teaching staff are high-level practitioners with national and international industry links and real-world knowledge to pass on.
Your application preparation information for

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The application process for 2022 entry will consist of the following components:

- portfolio
- supporting documentation
- a Zoom interview

The QUT Online registration form will allow you to upload your portfolio and supporting documentation as either a word or PDF file. These should be uploaded as two separate files.

Portfolio requirements
Your portfolio should consist of 10 digital images in a PDF or PowerPoint (.pptx) file that best demonstrate your current art achievements, working processes, commitment, and potential. Please use the template included on the course page as a guide in developing your portfolio.

- The cover slide should include your name and QTAC application number or current QUT student number (if applicable).
- Each image following the cover slide of your portfolio must be placed on a plain background with a caption that includes the title, year it was produced, medium, dimensions and/or duration.
- Any videos included in your portfolio should be represented by a still image with caption and a URL link to the video on YouTube or Vimeo. The video must be easily accessible online for the selection panel.

Supporting documentation
Your supporting documentation must include the following:

- your CV, of no more than two pages outlining both formal and informal learning and experiences in the field of visual arts.

This supporting documentation should be uploaded to your QUT Online application form or submitted with your international student application.

Zoom interview preparation
Interviews for 2022 will be conducted via Zoom. A Zoom meeting ID will be provided to you by email once you have submitted the QUT Online registration form.

During the interview you will be asked about the kinds of contemporary art and artists that interest you as well as your knowledge of contemporary art practice in general. You should also be prepared to discuss the reasons for your interest in this course.

International students – please indicate your preferred interview day in your application. If you do not undertake your interview you cannot be considered for a place in the course.

Selection criteria
The selection panel considers your ability to think creatively and explore and develop ideas. The selection panel also looks for evidence of versatility, inventiveness and self-directed practice, and your awareness of contemporary art. We also look for applicants who can demonstrate an awareness of the unique features of our course and what it offers them as an aspiring creative practitioner.

Feedback
Due to the large number of applications received, the selection panel is unable to provide feedback to applicants.

Offers
For domestic students, all offers for the course will be made through QTAC or QUT Student Services and Wellbeing if you are a current Bachelor of Fine Arts undergraduate student. Offers will be made on the basis of portfolio and interview assessment.

For international students, all offers for the course will be made through QUT International Admissions. Offers will be made on the basis of portfolio and interview assessment and minimum English language requirements.