

COLLEGE STUDY GUIDE 2026

FOR INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS



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AUSTRALIA



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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. QUT acknowledges the important role Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people play within the QUT community.



WHY CHOOSE QUT COLLEGE?

QUT College offers a premium range of English language and academic pathway programs. Our programs help you go directly to your QUT bachelor or master degree.

Our programs

English language programs

We have three English programs: General English, IELTS Advanced and English for Academic Purposes (EAP). These programs can help you to improve English, meet the English language requirement for your undergraduate or postgraduate course, or prepare for the IELTS test.

Diplomas

These programs help you meet the English and academic requirements for your bachelor degree. It can also help you go into the second year of a degree.

Graduate certificates in communication

Our graduate certificates helps you meet the minimum English language requirements for QUT master degrees.

Foundation and intensive programs

Our foundation and intensive programs help you enter the first year of your QUT bachelor degree.



Direct pathway to university

Over 88% of diploma students progress onto their chosen QUT course



90.2% student satisfaction rate for English programs

QUT English Language Program Survey 2024



Full QUT access

You will have full access to all QUT facilities



Pathway to a top 250 university



Established in 1988



State-of-the-art facilities

English language programs

Build your English skills

Improve your English for everyday life and future study. We have a range of programs for different levels of English. Our experienced and supportive teachers will help you reach your study goals.

Course title	Course code	CRICOS	Duration	Fees per year*	Intake	IELTS**
General English Program	QE05 - QE45	062077K	5 - 45 weeks	\$452 per week	Jan, Feb, Mar, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Oct, Nov	N/A
IELTS Advanced	QC15	073922J	10 weeks	\$5,560	Mar, Nov	6.5 (6)
English for Academic Purposes 1 Extended	QC35	0100527	15 weeks	\$8,340	Feb, Jun, Oct	5 (RW 5)
English for Academic Purposes 1 Standard	QC34	0100526	10 weeks	\$5,560	Mar, Jul, Nov	5.5 (LS 4.5, RW 5)
English for Academic Purposes 2 Extended	QC37	0100529	15 weeks	\$8,340	Feb, Jun, Oct	5.5 (RW 5.5)
English for Academic Purposes 2 Standard	QC36	0100528	10 weeks	\$5,560	Mar, Jul, Nov	6 (LS 5, RW 5.5)

*2026 tuition fees per year as shown in Australian dollars. Subject to annual review. **IELTS overall score required with sub-scores for bands required in brackets (correct at time of printing).

General English Program

General English helps you improve your English for work, study and daily life.

- Suitable for different English levels from elementary to advanced.
- Learn English language skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing.
- Option to study 5-45 weeks full time.
- Communicate confidently in English.

IELTS Advanced

This program improves your academic English skills to help you score a 7.0 overall on the IELTS Academic English language test. It does not guarantee you entry to QUT courses.

- Prepare for the IELTS test.
- Learn from experienced teachers.
- Practice IELTS test situations.
- Improve speaking, listening, reading and writing skills.



**FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUT COLLEGE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMS**
qut.edu.au/qut-college/english-language-programs

English for Academic Purposes (EAP)

Focus on academic English skills like researching, speaking, and writing essays. You can gain direct entry into QUT foundation, diploma and degrees with this program.

Your weekly schedule will include 20 hours in class and five hours of teacher-guided independent learning. A mid-program exam, an assignment and a final exam will help you learn important assessment skills for university study.

You can choose a shorter or longer program based on your English level.

Why choose English for Academic Purposes at QUT College?



Meet English entry requirements for most QUT courses



Learn presentation and speaking skills



Practise writing academic essays and reports



Enter university with confidence



“QUT’s six-month Intensive Program really assisted me in improving my English skills. The tutors were really helpful, friendly and lovely. They were aware that we were not native English speakers, and they worked tirelessly to assist us.

QUT offers excellent student support services. Throughout the course, I met people from various backgrounds and made friends at lectures and workshops.

PAM SUETRONG
Intensive Program and Bachelor of Mathematics

Foundation and intensive programs

Prepare for your first year of university

Get prepared to choose from over 100 undergraduate courses with the Standard Foundation Program and Intensive Program. These programs will help you meet academic and English language requirements to enter the first year of your QUT bachelor degree.

Course title	Course code	CRICOS	Duration	Fees per year*	Intake	IELTS**	Pathway into
Standard Foundation Program	QC08	065045E	12 months	\$24,480	Feb, Jul	5.5 (5)	1st year of undergraduate degree
Intensive Program	QC07	098567F	6 months	\$12,240	Feb, Jul	6 (5)	1st year of undergraduate degree

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Standard Foundation Program

The Standard Foundation Program is a one-year pathway program to QUT diploma or bachelor programs if you do not meet the academic or English language requirements. You will learn academic skills and knowledge related to your chosen bachelor degree.

Intensive Program

The Intensive Program is a six-month course suitable for students who have completed senior high school (Year 11 or Year 12 equivalent) and have nearly met the English language and academic requirements for their chosen bachelor degree. In this program, you will study some units related to your chosen bachelor degree.



**FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUT COLLEGE
FOUNDATION AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS**
qut.edu.au/qut-college/foundation-programs

Why choose a foundation or intensive program at QUT College?



Get prepared for QUT undergraduate courses



Build academic skills like writing, research and digital literacy



Join a welcoming community of students



Study units that relate to your future bachelor degree

Example of your pathway progression

YEAR 11 OR 12 STUDENT

FOUNDATION OR INTENSIVE PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR QUT UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE



I chose the Diploma in Business at QUT because I wanted to explore a change in environment and experience the world of business in a way that felt practical and meaningful.

QUT's focus on real-world learning gave me the perfect stepping stone to prepare me for further studies and career opportunities in accounting and finance. The sense of community was the part I enjoyed the most as an international student, and I highly encourage new students to get involved in QUT's social sports to make the most of your university experience.

ZERENG ROZIE BRADSHAW
Diploma in Business graduate and Bachelor of Business student

Diploma programs

Transition into your bachelor degree

Build specialised skills and improve your academic English with a QUT diploma program. Completing a diploma can earn you up to one year of credit in a relevant degree. QUT College is a supportive and welcoming place to start your studies.

When you graduate from your diploma, you won't need to do another IELTS test to enter your bachelor degree, except for the Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Social Work degrees.

Why choose a diploma at QUT College?

- Premium pathway to QUT bachelor degrees.
- Learn with Australian students in a supportive environment.
- Study on campus and use QUT's facilities.
- Shorten the length of your bachelor degree.
- Access personal and learning support.

Course title	Course code	CRICOS	Duration	Fees per year*	Intake	IELTS**	Pathway into
Diploma in Architectural Studies	AB02	116308E	1 year	\$40,608	Feb, Jul, Nov	5.5 (5)	2nd year of Bachelor of Architectural Design (AB05) or Bachelor of Built Environment (Honours) (AB01)†
Diploma in Business	BS40	081618F	8 - 12 months	\$26,976	Feb, Jul, Nov	5.5 (5)	2nd year of Bachelor of Business (BS05)
Diploma in Creative Industries	IF06	081617G	8 - 12 months	\$26,976	Feb, Jul, Nov	5.5 (5)	2nd year of Bachelor of Creative Arts (CA01), Bachelor of Communication (KC40), or Bachelor of Design (DE43)
Diploma in Engineering	EN02	086329G	8 - 12 months	\$37,344	Feb, Jul, Nov	5.5 (5)	2nd year of Bachelor of Engineering (EN01)
Diploma in Health Science (Health Studies)	HL10	094986G	8 - 12 months	\$35,232	Feb, Jul, Nov	5.5 (5)	Up to the 2nd semester for a range of health bachelor degrees
Diploma in Health Science (Nursing)	HL10	094986G	8 - 12 months	\$35,232	Feb, Jul, Nov	6 (5.5)	The Bachelor of Nursing (NS42) with seven units of advanced standing
Diploma in Information Technology	IT10	081616G	8 - 12 months	\$26,976	Feb, Jul, Nov	5.5 (5)	2nd year of Bachelor of Information Technology (IN01) or Bachelor of Games and Interactive Environments (IN05)

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DIPLOMA IN Architectural Studies

Develop knowledge and skills for addressing future architectural challenges such as adapting to climate change and building resilient, healthy and sustainable communities. [Pathway into with one year of advanced standing \(credit\):](#) Bachelor of Architectural Design, Bachelor of Built Environment (Honours) (Interior Design) or (Landscape Architecture).

DIPLOMA IN Business

Gain an introduction to the key disciplines in business and understand global business environments. [Pathway into with one year of advanced standing \(credit\):](#) Bachelor of Business.

DIPLOMA IN Creative Industries

Develop fundamental creative skills required for a range of creative industries pathways. [Pathway into with one year of advanced standing \(credit\):](#) Bachelor of Communication, Bachelor of Creative Arts (excluding the acting major), Bachelor of Design.

DIPLOMA IN Engineering

Build foundational knowledge in mathematics and physics, as well as an understanding of engineering concepts and technical skills. [Pathway into with one year of advanced standing \(credit\):](#) Bachelor of Engineering (Honours).

DIPLOMA IN Information Technology

Gain an introduction to building and applying innovative IT solutions across diverse industries. [Pathway into with one year of advanced standing \(credit\):](#) Bachelor of Information Technology, Bachelor of Games and Interactive Environments.

DIPLOMA IN Health Science

Learn key skills for a range of QUT health degrees, including nursing practice, whilst improving your English and communication skills for university study. [Pathway into:](#) Bachelor of Behavioral Science, Bachelor of Nursing, Bachelor of Public Health, Bachelor of Social Work.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUT COLLEGE DIPLOMA PROGRAMS
qut.edu.au/qut-college/diploma-programs



The Diploma in Health Science (Nursing) provided a highly supportive environment in terms of improving English skills. As most students were from non-English speaking backgrounds, teachers at QUT College often used easy sentences in classes.

There were always sessions for those who struggled with spoken and written English, giving them support to build their confidence. The diploma provided students with sufficient materials, instructions, and information so that students could undertake their assessments without stress

GEUNGHYUL (AARON) CHOI
Diploma in Health Science (Nursing) and Bachelor of Nursing

“When I went abroad to study, I worried about adapting to university in Australia. However, QUT provided me with a course combining English communication and information technology major units, which helped me transition after one semester. From then on, I was confident to move onto the Master of Information Technology.

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Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology and Master of Information Technology

Graduate certificates in communication

Prepare for a master degree

Graduate certificates in communication help you develop academic communication skills to meet the English language requirements for a master degree. You will also build advanced skills in your chosen field of study. After you successfully complete the graduate certificate, you can enter the second semester of the related[†] master degree without needing to sit the IELTS test again.

Why choose a graduate certificate in communication at QUT College?

- Ideal for students who have completed a bachelor degree but have not met the English requirements to enter a QUT master degree.
- Improve your academic English while studying in your chosen field.
- Successful graduates will receive credit towards a relevant master degree.

Course title	Course code	CRICOS	Duration	Fees per year*	Intake	IELTS**
Graduate Certificate in Business and Communication	BS37	085449G	6 months	\$22,600	Feb, Jul	6 (LS 5, RW 5.5)
Graduate Certificate in Communication for Engineering	EN60	096755G	6 months	\$22,800	Feb, Jul	6 (LS 5, RW 5.5)
Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology	IN17	086328J	6 months	\$21,700	Feb, Jul	6 (LS 5, RW 5.5)

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Business

In this program, you can choose from several business study areas to prepare for the Master of Business. Learn from experts, work on real case studies and complete workplace projects to get ready for postgraduate study.

Pathway into: BS11 Master of Business.

Information technology

In this program, you will learn advanced concepts in information technology. Choose two future-focused units from the Master of Information Technology to give yourself a head start and explore your interests. Pathway into: IN20 Master of information Technology.

Engineering

Study advanced engineering topics while improving your academic communication skills. You will work on practical group projects and develop hands-on skills. After completing this program, you can enter the second semester of the Master of Professional Engineering. You will also be able to enter the first semester of a range of other QUT engineering master degrees. See our website for more details. Pathway into: EN55 Master of Professional Engineering and more.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUT COLLEGE GRADUATE CERTIFICATES IN COMMUNICATION

qut.edu.au/qut-college/graduate-certificates-in-communication

[†]Semester of credit applies to selected master degrees only. Visit the graduate certificate in communication web page for more information.

Pathways progression

QUT course	High School Year 11 Students		High School Year 12 Students	
	Foundation Program	Remaining duration at QUT	Diploma Program	Remaining duration at QUT
Bachelor of Business: Accountancy, Advertising, Economics, Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Finance, Human Resource Management, International Business, Management, Marketing, Public Relations	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Business	2 years
Bachelor of Communication: Digital Advertising, Journalism, Media and Communication Industries, Community and Public Relations	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Creative Industries	2 years
Bachelor of Design: Fashion Design, Industrial Design, Interaction Design, Visual Communication	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Creative Industries	2 years (Feb entry) 2.5 years (Jul entry) 3 years (Feb or Jul entry) (Fashion Design major)
Bachelor of Creative Arts: Animation, Creative Writing, Drama, Film and Screen, Music, Visual Arts	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Creative Industries	2 years (Feb and Jul entry) (All majors)
Bachelor of Architectural Design	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Architectural Studies	2 years
Bachelor of Built Environment (Honours): Interior Design, Landscape Architecture	Standard Foundation	4 years	Diploma in Architectural Studies	3 years
Bachelor of Built Environment (Honours): Construction Management and Quantity Surveying, Interior Design, Landscape Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning	Standard Foundation	4 years	Diploma in Engineering	4 years
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours): Chemical and Sustainable Process, Civil, Computer and Software Systems, Electrical and Aerospace, Electrical and Renewable Power, Electrical, Mechanical, Mechatronics, Medical	Standard Foundation	4 years	Diploma in Engineering	3 years
Bachelor of Information Technology: Computer Science, Information Systems	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Information Technology	2 years
Bachelor of Games and Interactive Environments: Animation, Game Design, Software Technologies	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Information Technology	2 years (Feb entry) 2.5 years (Jul entry)
Bachelor of Nursing	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Health Science (Nursing)	2 years (Feb entry) 2.5 years (Jul entry)
Bachelor of Behavioural Science (Psychology) Bachelor of Public Health	Standard Foundation	3 years	Diploma in Health Science (Health Studies)	3 years
Bachelor of Social Work	Standard Foundation	4 years	Diploma in Health Science (Health Studies)	4 years



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUT COLLEGE PATHWAYS PROGRESSION

qut.edu.au/qut-college/pathways

Scholarship opportunities

Your success in your studies is our priority

Our scholarships support you by providing financial help, work experience, and chances to meet people in your field. We make it easy – you are considered for a scholarship automatically when you apply to study at QUT.

QUT College Merit Scholarship

- Covers **25 per cent** of your first semester tuition fee for your foundation or diploma program.
- Your eligibility will depend on your high school results. If you are eligible for this scholarship, you may be eligible to receive the International Merit Scholarship for your degree.
- Only available for students from certain countries.

QUT College English Language Concession

- Reduction of **25 per cent** from the tuition fee of your English for Academic Purposes (EAP) and IELTS Advanced programs at QUT College.
- Only available for students from certain countries.

Financial aid for international students

We want to help you find the right financial aid, loans, grants and other support available from government and private programs in your home country.

Find out more about financial aid opportunities in your country: qut.edu.au/international/financial-aid



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUT SCHOLARSHIPS

qut.edu.au/international/scholarship



I was lucky to receive a scholarship that paid 25 per cent of my first-semester fees for the Diploma in Creative Industries program. This scholarship helped reduce my financial worries at the start of my studies, allowing me to focus more on my studies.

SORA KAMIGAKI
Diploma in Creative Industries and Bachelor of Design (Interaction Design) graduate

Your pathway timeline to QUT



*Direct entry into the second year of the bachelor degree after completion of the diploma program is subject to your chosen course and intake period.

Contact QUT

You're important to us, so we want to make sure you have the opportunity to chat with our real-world advisers about all things QUT.

 **Ask a question:** qut.edu.au/study/international-enquiry

 **Phone:** +61 7 3138 8339

KEY DATES

Semester 1 2026

Welcome week

16 – 20 February

Teaching weeks

23 February – 29 May

Study days

1 – 5 June

Exam period

8 – 19 June

Semester 2 2026

Welcome week

13 – 17 July

Teaching weeks

20 July – 23 October

Study days

26 – 30 October

Exam period

31 October – 13 November

College Summer 26/27

College orientation week

9 – 13 November

Teaching weeks

16 November – 12 February 2027

Study days

25 – 27 January 2027

Exam period

28 January – 12 February 2027



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