Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation

The following information is provided to assist domestic students who have completed (or are currently undertaking) the Queensland Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation (CATP), and intend to seek admission to undergraduate study at The University of Queensland (UQ).

About the Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation

The Queensland Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation (CATP) program offers comparable Year 12 level subjects for adult learners wishing to gain tertiary admission. From 2024, students complete 9 units (3 core and 6 electives) in order to be awarded the Queensland CATP. Each subject may comprise of 2 or 3 elective units. Students may complete the entire program or choose to partially complete the certificate. Studies are offered through TAFE Queensland, UQ College as well as some private providers.

Entry requirements

For entry to all undergraduate programs at UQ applicants must meet two basic entry requirements:

1. Eligibility (i.e. satisfy the subject prerequisites and other requirements)
2. Merit (i.e. possess a selection rank high enough for a place in the program†)

* Selection ranks range from 1 to 99.95 (maximum). As admission is competitive the minimum selection thresholds for programs can fluctuate from year to year.

For detailed program information, including prerequisite requirements and minimum selection thresholds from previous admission periods, please refer to study.uq.edu.au.

Satisfying subject prerequisites

The successful completion (i.e. minimum grade of pass, JP or J1) of the following CATP subjects (which may comprise of 2 or 3 elective units for subjects completed since 2008) will meet the listed subject prerequisites for entry to all undergraduate programs at UQ.

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<th>CATP Subjects*</th>
<th>QLD Year 12 Subject Prerequisites</th>
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<td>English (3 units: NATI240024, NATI240001 &amp; NATI240002)</td>
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<td>General Mathematics (2 units: NATI240012 &amp; NATI240013)</td>
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<td>Pure Mathematics (3 units: NATI240021, NATI240022 &amp; NATI240023)</td>
<td>Mathematical Methods (Units 3 &amp; 4, C)</td>
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<td>Biology (2 units: NATI240005 &amp; NATI240006)</td>
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<td>Chemistry (3 units: NATI240007, NATI240008 &amp; NATI240009)</td>
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* Course codes as of 2024. Courses completed prior to 2024 can be accepted. Please contact Admissions for further details.

Gaining a selection rank

UQ does not accept a partially completed CATP for the allocation of a selection rank. To be eligible to receive a selection rank, applicants must complete the entire CATP program. However, subjects from a partially completed CATP may be used for the purpose of meeting subject prerequisites.

For CATP studies undertaken from 2008 - 2013, students were required to complete at least 10 modules including the subject Language and Learning in order to be awarded the Queensland CATP. Selection ranks are derived from the best 10 modules attempted. From 2014, 9 elective units are required for completion.

A selection rank may be solely assigned to the grade average of the elective units completed, or combined with a result from the Special Tertiary Admissions Test.

NOTE: Ranks will not be assigned from this study if you have completed the equivalent of one full time year (or more) of tertiary level study.
To be awarded Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation, students must successfully complete 9 units (3 core and 6 electives). Specialisations may be comprised of 2 or 3 elective units of equal weighting. The specialisation Plan and Prepare for Study is not included for assessment on this schedule.

Where: H=6.5, J3=6.5, JH=6.5, C=5, J2=5, JC=5, P=4, J1=4, JP=4, R=1.5, M=1.5, N=1.5 and M1=0.

Where elective unit weightings are provided, these will be used in the calculation of a GPA. Where elective unit weightings are not provided, all elective units will be assumed to have equal weighting.

Where an applicant has studied more than 8 elective units, only the best 8 award eligible units will be used in the derivation of a rank. Where the same elective unit has been completed on more than one occasion, only one attempt will be considered in the calculation of a rank, and this shall be the best result achieved.

Please note: Prior to 2008, students were required to complete five subjects, including the subject Language and Learning Skills, in order to be awarded the Queensland CATP. Selection ranks for completed pre-2008 CATP studies are calculated from the grade average in 5 subjects (including the subject Language and Learning Skills). For further information, please contact UQ Admissions.