

UQ School Engagement Guide 2027

Supporting schools and students at every stage of the secondary school journey.



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Supporting every student

Every student's journey is different. UQ works alongside schools to help students explore future possibilities, experience university learning, develop leadership and prepare for what comes next.

From campus visits and school presentations to curriculum enrichment, university study while at school and pathways to tertiary education, this guide helps schools identify opportunities that align with student interests, year levels and future goals.

Why engage with UQ?

Students can:

- Explore future study and career options
- Experience university learning in authentic environments
- Extend classroom learning
- Build confidence and independence
- Connect with current students and academics
- Understand tertiary pathways and entry options
- Develop a clearer plan for life after school

Ways to engage

EXPLORE



Discover university life, study options and future pathways.



EXPERIENCE



Extend learning through workshops, challenges, camps and curriculum-connected activities.



LEAD



Develop confidence, communication and leadership capability.



PREPARE



Build university readiness through academic extension, pathways and tertiary study.



Explore UQ

Inspire students through firsthand campus experiences

Whether you're planning a school excursion, organising a tailored campus experience or supporting students and families to explore independently, UQ offers a range of opportunities to help students connect future study options with a real university environment.

Guided campus tours

Give students and families the opportunity to explore UQ with a current student guide. Campus tours showcase learning spaces, libraries, student facilities and campus life while encouraging students to consider what university could look like for them.

Where St Lucia campus

When Scheduled throughout the year

Who Individual students, families and small groups

Cost Free

Learn more



study.uq.edu.au/events/explore-uq-campus-tours

Guided campus experiences

Create a tailored campus visit aligned to your students' interests and learning goals. Experiences may combine a campus tour, information about university pathways and study-area activities to help students explore future possibilities and understand life at UQ.

Where St Lucia and Gatton campus

When Available throughout the year

Who Secondary school groups

Cost Free

Learn more



study.uq.edu.au/university-life/campus-tours

Self-guided campus exploration

Support students and families to explore UQ at their own pace. Self-guided resources help visitors navigate campus and discover teaching spaces, libraries, student facilities and key locations independently.

Where All campuses

When Available throughout the year

Who School groups, families and individual students

Cost Free

Learn more



maps.uq.edu.au



Join us on Open Day

Help students make informed decisions about life after school

Support students and families to explore study options, compare pathways and learn more about university life.

Open Day provides an opportunity to connect with academics, current students and support services while exploring facilities and discovering what it's like to study at UQ.

St Lucia

1 August 2027

Gatton

15 August 2027





School presentations

Provide students with the right information at the right time in their journey

UQ presentations are designed to support students as they explore future possibilities, make subject selections and prepare for life after school. Each session is tailored to a key stage in the secondary-school journey, helping students make informed decisions about their future.

Discover your future

Introduce students to future study, career and pathway possibilities while encouraging them to explore their interests, strengths and aspirations.

Key focus Exploring interests and future possibilities.

Who Year 9 students

Choosing subjects with confidence

Support informed senior subject selection by helping students understand how subject choices can connect to future study and career opportunities.

Key focus Making confident subject choices.

Who Year 9–10 students

Future skills for future careers

Provide insights into emerging careers, transferable skills and post-school opportunities, helping students connect their learning and experiences with future pathways.

Key focus Exploring future skills, pathways and careers.

Who Year 11 students

Planning your next step

Help students understand their pathway to UQ, including study options, admissions, scholarships and key application processes. Students gain practical information to support informed decisions about their transition from school to UQ.

Key focus Understanding university pathways, applications and next steps.

Who Year 12 students

Request a school presentation



uq.edu.au/school-visit

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OF QUEENSLAND
AUSTRALIA
CREATE CHANGE

School community events

Support informed
decision-making
beyond the classroom



UQ can contribute to school-based events that help students and families explore future study opportunities and understand tertiary pathways.

Activities may include:

- Senior subject selection evenings
- Careers and pathways expos
- Parent and caregiver information sessions
- University pathway information sessions

Where At your school or online

When Available on request

Who Students, families and school communities

Cost Free

Contact us

To invite us to your event or discuss how we can best support your school, please contact us at futurestudentsaustralia@uq.edu.au

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student pathways

Explore university.
Connect with community.
Prepare for your future.



UQ offers culturally supportive experiences that help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students explore university life, build confidence and prepare for future study.

Through campus experiences, residential programs and university-readiness initiatives, students can connect with peers, current students and staff while exploring future opportunities.

Tertiary Experience Days (TED)

A one-day campus experience introducing students to university life, study options and support services available at UQ.

Where St Lucia campus

When Throughout the year

Who Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander secondary students

Cost Free

Contact us



outreach.atsis@connect.uq.edu.au

Queensland and Northern NSW regional school visits

The ATSiS Unit Engagement Team visits regional and remote schools to help students explore future study options, university pathways and support available at UQ.

Where Regional and remote schools across Queensland and Northern New South Wales

When Throughout the year

Who Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander secondary students

Cost Free

Contact us



outreach.atsis@connect.uq.edu.au



InspireU

A pathway designed for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

The Inspire pathway supports students at key stages of their secondary school journey through cultural connection, academic exploration and university readiness.

InspireU Discover

A full-day university experience introducing students to campus life, future study options and university pathways.

Where St Lucia and Gatton campuses, and UQ Rural Medical Clinic in Rockhampton

When September / October

Who Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years 7–9

Cost Free

Learn more



study.uq.edu.au/information-resources/aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-students/inspireu/discover

InspireU Explore

A five-day residential camp that is focused on building aspirations and introducing students to university life through campus experiences, workshops and peer connection.

Where St Lucia campus

When January school holidays

Who Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years 10–12

Cost Free, including travel, meals and accommodation

Learn more



study.uq.edu.au/information-resources/aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-students/inspireu/explore

InspireU Extend

A five-day residential experience for students interested in exploring a specific study area and future career pathway. Students can participate in discipline-specific workshops, explore career opportunities and receive guidance on subject selection, QTAC and ATAR pathways.

Where St Lucia campus

When September / October

Who Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years 10–12

Cost Free, including travel, meals and accommodation

Learn more



study.uq.edu.au/information-resources/aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-students/inspireu/extend

InspireU Scholars

A two-year university readiness and transition program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years 11 and 12 who are committed to attending UQ.

Students receive personalised academic support, mentoring and transition guidance through four stages:

- five-day residential camp
- graduate readiness
- transition preparedness
- transition to UQ

When January (Residential Camp)

Where St Lucia campus and ongoing engagement activities

Who Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students entering Years 11–12 and preparing for an ATAR

Cost Free, including travel, meals and accommodation for residential activities

Contact us



inspireU@uq.edu.au



EXPERIENCE



Arts, humanities and social sciences

Arts, humanities and social sciences help students understand how people, cultures and societies shape the world around us. Students develop critical thinking, communication and analytical skills while exploring future study and career pathways.

Culture, history and music

Antony and Cleopatra: UQ Centre for Western Civilisation Winter School

A two-and-a-half-day residential program exploring Shakespeare's Antony and Cleopatra through literature, history and performance. Students examine the political struggles of Republican Rome and Ptolemaic Egypt while exploring how this enduring story has been interpreted across cultures and time periods.

Where St Lucia campus

When 5-7 July 2027

Who Students in years 11-12

Cost Free, including accommodation and meals

Learn more



hass.uq.edu.au/2027-winter-school

Ancient History Experience Day

A curriculum-connected experience that allows students to engage with academics while exploring Ancient Greece, Ancient Rome and historical themes relevant to senior studies.

Where St Lucia campus

When July 2027 (date to be confirmed)

Who Students in years 11-12

Cost Free

Contact us



engagement@hass.uq.edu.au

World Religions Experience Day

An opportunity for students to explore how religion shapes societies, cultures and contemporary issues through presentations and interactive learning experiences led by UQ academics.

Where St Lucia campus

When 21 and 22 July 2027

Who Students in year 11

Cost \$5 per student

Contact us



engagement@hass.uq.edu.au

Music Discovery Days

Opportunities for classical musicians to refine their technique, develop their musicianship and explore ensemble repertoire.

Where St Lucia campus

When January and July 2027

Who Students in years 7-12

Cost Free

Contact us



engagement@hass.uq.edu.au

Museum experiences

RD Milns Antiquities Museum

Curriculum-aligned tours and workshops connect students with Ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome through one of Australia's leading collections of Mediterranean antiquities.

Where St Lucia campus

When Available on request

Who Students in years 7-12

Cost From \$28 per student

Learn more



antiquities-museum.uq.edu.au/education-programs

Anthropology Museum

Explore Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Pacific cultural histories through exhibitions, collections and discussion-based learning.

Where St Lucia campus

When 11 January – 19 March

and May – November 2027 (by request)

Who Students in years 7-12

Cost Free

Contact us



anthmuseum@uq.edu.au

Archaeology and investigations

These experiences help students investigate how researchers uncover evidence, solve problems and build knowledge about people, societies and human behaviour.

Archaeology experiences at UQ

Curriculum-aligned workshops introduce students to archaeology through hands-on investigation, scientific analysis and cultural heritage. Students explore how archaeologists uncover evidence from past societies while learning about UQ research in Australia and around the world.

Workshop themes include:

- Ancient technology
- Salvage excavation experience
- You are what you eat
- How did we become human?
- Meeting the dead
- Bones, bits & old secrets

Workshops can be tailored to year level, curriculum outcomes and learning objectives.

Where St Lucia campus

When Available on request

Who Students in years 7–12

Cost Fees apply

Contact us



futurestudentsaustralia@uq.edu.au

Digging for the truth: solving crime through science

Students investigate how forensic archaeology and criminology work together to analyse evidence and reconstruct events. Through hands-on problem solving, students examine how bones, soil and trace evidence can reveal what happened at a crime scene and why.

Where St Lucia campus

When Available on request

Who Students in years 10–12

Cost Free

Contact us



futurestudentsaustralia@uq.edu.au

Cracking the case: The changing face of crime

An interactive criminology experience exploring how crime evolves across physical and digital environments. Students investigate real-world case studies and discover how criminologists respond to emerging patterns of crime.

Where St Lucia campus

When Available on request

Who Students in years 10–12

Cost Free

Contact us



futurestudentsaustralia@uq.edu.au



Languages

Language learning strengthens communication skills, cultural awareness and global capability. These opportunities help students extend language learning while exploring the value of languages in future study and careers.

High School Summer Language Enrichment Program

A holiday program that helps students strengthen language proficiency through interactive classes, cultural learning experiences and exposure to university language study. Multiple languages are available.

When 11–17 January 2027

Where Online and St Lucia campus

Who Years 9–10 students (online), years 11–12 students (online or St Lucia campus)

Cost Fees apply

Learn more



iml.uq.edu.au/learn-language/high-school-program

Languages: your employability superpower

An interactive session exploring how language study develops communication, intercultural capability and transferable skills valued by employers across a wide range of industries. Students discover the superpowers they can gain through learning a language in this fun, creative and crafty session.

When Available on request

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 7–9 students

Cost Free

Contact us



futurestudentsaustralia@uq.edu.au

Go Borderless: Languages Experience Day

A campus experience introducing students to language and linguistics study through interactive workshops, cultural activities and insights into globally focused career pathways.

When July 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 9 students currently studying a language

Cost Free

Contact us



engagement@hass.uq.edu.au

The Future is Human: Why study languages in the Age of AI?

An interactive session exploring the relationship between languages, culture and emerging technologies, while highlighting the ongoing importance of human communication and intercultural understanding.

When Available on request

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 11–12 students, groups of 5–100

Cost Free

Contact us



futurestudentsaustralia@uq.edu.au

Business, economics, law and entrepreneurship

Business, economics, law and entrepreneurship help students understand how people, organisations and governments make decisions, solve problems and create opportunities. These experiences introduce students to real business challenges while exploring study and career pathways across commerce, law, economics, innovation and management.

Bachelor of Advanced Finance and Economics (Honours) and Bachelor of Advanced Business (Honours)

Presentations delivered by program staff introduce high-achieving students to UQ's advanced business and economics programs. Sessions explore program structures, career outcomes and pathways for students considering advanced study in business, finance and economics.

When Available on request

Where Secondary schools

Who Year 11-12 students

Cost Free

Contact us



sally.dwyer@uq.edu.au

UQ Economics schools day

A campus experience that introduces students to economics through interactive workshops, presentations and contemporary case studies. Students gain insight into how economics helps explain decision-making, markets and public policy while exploring future study and career opportunities.

When July 2027 (date to be confirmed)

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 10-12 students

Cost Fees apply

Learn more



qeta.com.au/events/university-student-days

UQ Ventures workshops

Hands-on workshops that introduce students to entrepreneurship, innovation and creative problem-solving. Students will learn entrepreneurial concepts, design-thinking and tools to equip them to be adaptive and thrive wherever life takes them.

When Available on request

Where School or UQ campus

Who Secondary students

Cost Fees may apply

Learn more



ventures.uq.edu.au/discovery

UQ Pro Bono Centre

Interactive workshops led by UQ law students that explore contemporary legal and social issues through discussion and scenario-based learning. Topics include domestic violence and the law, youth justice and human rights. Students will exercise critical thinking and leave with practical takeaways to enable them to better understand legal and social challenges they observe in the media and in their communities.

When Available on request

Where School or UQ campus

Who Secondary students

Cost Free

Learn more



law.uq.edu.au/pro-bono/law-education-and-outreach





Health, medicine and human performance

Students interested in health, medicine, exercise, nutrition and human performance can explore future pathways through information sessions, hands-on learning experiences and curriculum-connected activities. These opportunities help students connect classroom learning with university study and careers across a broad range of health disciplines.

Medicine information evening (for school leavers)

Support informed decision-making about future study in medicine. This information session provides students and families with an overview of provisional entry pathways, admissions requirements, application processes and the opportunities available through medicine at UQ.

When 2 March (UQ St Lucia), 3 March (Online)

Where St Lucia campus and online

Who Senior secondary students, parents and carers

Cost Free

Learn more



study.uq.edu.au/events/medicine-information-evening

Integrated Pathology Learning Centre (IPLC)

Explore the science behind health and disease

The Integrated Pathology Learning Centre (IPLC) offers unique learning experiences that help students connect classroom science with human health and disease. Through authentic pathology specimens and curriculum-aligned workshops, students investigate the pathology underlying health conditions while exploring future pathways in health and medicine.

Human Body and Disease

Investigate the pathology underlying common health conditions through authentic pathology specimens and case-based learning. Students explore how behavioural, environmental and biological factors influence health and disease while strengthening their understanding of human anatomy and physiology.

When Available on request, subject to availability

Where IPLC, Herston campus

Who Years 9–12 students

Cost Free

Learn more



biomedical-sciences.uq.edu.au/facilities/integrated-pathology-learning-centre

Psychology

Explore brain anatomy, neurological disorders and contemporary mental health issues through specimen-based learning experiences aligned to senior Psychology curriculum and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

When Available on request, subject to availability

Where UQ Health Sciences Building, Herston campus

Who Years 11–12 students

Cost Free

Learn more



biomedical-sciences.uq.edu.au/facilities/integrated-pathology-learning-centre

Human Movement and Nutrition Sciences Experience Workshops

Explore the science of movement, performance and health

Help students discover how science supports human movement, exercise, sport and nutrition through this hands-on workshop and presentation. Experiences connect classroom learning with future study and career pathways in health, exercise and nutrition sciences.

Topics may include:

- Exercise physiology
- Exercise and sport science
- Nutrition and dietetics
- Health and performance careers

When Available on request, subject to availability

Where St Lucia campus and selected school-based delivery opportunities

Who Years 7–12 students

Cost Fees may apply

Learn more



hmns.uq.edu.au/community-services/high-schools

Science, mathematics, agriculture and environment

Through immersive programs, curriculum enrichment experiences and hands-on investigations, students can deepen their understanding of STEM disciplines while exploring future study and career pathways.

Future Experiences in Agriculture, Science and Technology (FEAST)

FEAST is a four-day residential program that introduces students to rewarding careers in agriculture, animal, plant and food sciences. Through practical experiences, industry engagement and university life, students gain insight into science pathways and the diverse opportunities available across the agricultural sector.

When June – July 2027 (applications close May)

Where Gatton campus

Who Years 11–12 students

Cost \$550 per student (inc. GST)

Learn more



science.uq.edu.au/event/feast

Junior Physics Odyssey

Develop problem-solving skills and explore contemporary physics through lectures, practical activities, laboratory experiences and research tours. The program complements senior Physics studies while introducing students to university-level learning and research.

When 29 June – 2 July 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 10 students

Cost 2026 fee was \$250 (inc. GST)

Learn more



smp.uq.edu.au/junior-physics-odyssey

Queensland Mathematics Summer School

This four-day program introduces students to advanced mathematical ideas through challenging, collaborative learning experiences. Students explore applied and abstract concepts while connecting with like-minded peers who share a passion for mathematics.

When 19–22 January 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Students commencing Years 9–11

Cost \$270 per student (inc. GST)

Learn more



smp.uq.edu.au/event/4364/queensland-mathematics-summer-school

Queensland Biology Winter Schools

The Queensland Biology Winter Schools provide an in-depth exploration of contemporary topics including biodiversity, genetics, evolution, physiology and biochemistry. Students discover how biological disciplines connect while strengthening their understanding of senior Biology concepts.

When July 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Years 11–12 students

Cost \$110 per student (inc. GST)

Learn more



environment.uq.edu.au/community/events

Queensland Chemistry Winter School

Explore contemporary topics aligned with the QCE and IB Chemistry syllabus through hands-on learning experiences and interactions with UQ academics and students.

When July 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 11 students

Cost \$198 per student (inc. GST)

Learn more



science.uq.edu.au/community/high-schools/activities

Senior Science Skills Days

Senior Skills Days help students develop critical thinking, science literacy, experimental risk management and research design skills, providing a strong foundation for success in senior science subjects.

When November 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 10 students who have elected to study senior science subjects and their teachers (school groups only)

Cost Free

Learn more



science.uq.edu.au/senior-science-skills-days



Engineering, design, architecture and computing

Engineering, design, architecture and computing professionals develop the technologies, systems and solutions that shape how we live, work and interact with the world. Through hands-on workshops, immersive experiences and industry-connected events, students can explore future-focused careers while developing practical problem-solving and design skills.

Engineering, design, architecture and computing workshops

Students can explore engineering, design, architecture and computing through a diverse range of hands-on workshops delivered by UQ academics, students and industry partners. Workshops encourage creativity, critical thinking and problem solving while helping students connect classroom learning with future study and career opportunities.

When Available on request, subject to availability

Where St Lucia campus and participating schools

Who Years 8-12 students (workshop dependent)

Cost Free

Available workshops

Advance workshops (Years 11-12)

- Design thinking in engineering and computing
- Study fresh
- Sun smart code

Architecture, design and planning workshops (Years 8-12)

- Design for a better world
- Designing your place
- Neighbourhood challenge
- Architectural sketching

Computer science and IT workshops (Years 8-10)

- Binary coding
- Crack the code
- Tech the lead

Engineering workshops (Years 8-10)

- The chemical engineering cookie challenge
- Emergency health mission
- Engineers without borders: prosthetic limb
- Engineers without borders: road to better health
- Engineers without borders: clean water
- Engineers without borders: floating house
- Giving movement back
- Nanomedicine
- Rockets: aerospace engineering
- Earthquake Renewable energy: I'm a big fan
- Powering tomorrow
- Waves of destruction
- UQ Racing

Learn more



eait.uq.edu.au/community/high-school-activities



Engineering, Design and Computing Careers Evening

Connect with industry professionals, UQ alumni, current students and academics while exploring study and career pathways across engineering, architecture, urban planning, design and computing. Students and families can discover how these disciplines are responding to emerging global challenges and technological change.

When 2027 date to be confirmed

Where St Lucia campus

Who Years 9–12 students, parents and carers

Cost Free

Engineering, Design and Computing School Holiday Program

This immersive school holiday program introduces students to engineering, architecture, design, urban planning and computing through hands-on workshops, presentations and campus experiences. Participants work on real-world challenges, connect with UQ students and academics, and explore university study pathways.

When 2027 dates to be confirmed

Where St Lucia campus

Who Years 9–10 students

Cost Fees apply

Contact us



outreach@eit.uq.edu.au

UQ Mobile Makerspace

The UQ Mobile Makerspace is a fully equipped, interactive workshop that travels to regional and rural communities across Queensland.

Inside, students find tools like 3D printers, robotics kits, laser cutters, and digital design platforms, giving them the chance to create, experiment, and innovate – just like they would in a university lab or design studio.





Women in engineering and computing

Engineering and technology are shaping the future of our communities, industries and environment. Through hands-on experiences, industry connections and practical learning opportunities, the UQ Women in Engineering program helps students explore engineering pathways, build confidence and connect with a supportive community of future engineers.

Explore Engineering day

Explore Engineering Day introduces students to the diverse opportunities available across engineering disciplines through hands-on workshops, interactive activities and campus experiences. Participants connect with current UQ students, academics and industry representatives while discovering how engineers help solve real-world challenges.

When 2027 date to be confirmed

Where St Lucia campus

Who Years 9–10 students

Cost Free

Spring into Engineering holiday program

This three-day holiday program gives students the opportunity to explore engineering through hands-on workshops, presentations and industry engagement activities. Participants learn about the breadth of engineering careers while building connections with like-minded students and inspiring female engineers.

When 2027 dates to be confirmed

Where St Lucia campus

Who Years 10–12 students

Cost Fees apply

Engineering work experience program

The UQ Women in Engineering Work Experience Program connects students with engineering organisations to provide valuable workplace experiences and insights into engineering careers. Students develop their understanding of industry while exploring possible future study and career pathways.

When Available during selected school holiday periods and school terms

Where Industry partner locations

Who Years 10–12 students

Cost Free

Contact us



we@eait.uq.edu.au



Competitions and challenges

Competitions and challenges encourage students to apply their knowledge, think critically and explore their interests in real-world contexts. These opportunities help students develop confidence, problem-solving skills and connections with like-minded peers while gaining insight into future study and career pathways.

Australian Brain Bee Challenge

The Australian Brain Bee Challenge introduces students to neuroscience through a national competition exploring brain function, neurological disorders and human behaviour. Students deepen their understanding of neuroscience while exploring future study and career pathways in health, medicine and research.

When March – July 2027

Where Online and selected competition venues

Who Year 10 students

Cost Free

Learn more



qbi.uq.edu.au/engage/australian-brain-bee-challenge

UQ Sunflower Competition

The Sunflower Competition inspires students to become the next generation of plant and agricultural scientists. Through school-based experiments, students investigate factors affecting plant growth while exploring agriculture, sustainability and food security.

When Annual competition (13-week program)

Where School-based participation

Who Years 7–12 students

Cost Free

Learn more



agriculture-food-sustainability.uq.edu.au/sunflower-competition

UQ/QAMT Problem Solving Competition

The UQ/QAMT Problem Solving Competition encourages students to think creatively and analytically while solving complex mathematical problems. The competition supports the development of mathematical reasoning, persistence and problem-solving skills.

When Annual competition

Where School-based participation

Who Years 7–12 students

Cost \$5 per student

Learn more



qamt.qld.edu.au/problem-solving-competition





LEAD



Ambassador programs

Ambassador programs recognise motivated students and provide opportunities to strengthen leadership, communication and advocacy skills while promoting areas of study they are passionate about.

UQ Science Ambassador Program

Champion science at your school

The UQ Science Ambassador Program recognises high-achieving and motivated Year 11 students with an interest in science, mathematics and geography. Ambassadors receive regular updates, invitations to science events and opportunities to promote science within their school communities.

When Annual nomination program

Where School-based and online engagement

Who Year 11 students

Cost Free

Learn more



science.uq.edu.au/community/high-schools/uq-science-ambassador-program

Engineering, Design and Computing High School Ambassador Program

Inspire future innovation

Curriculum-aligned tours and workshops connect. Designed for curious and passionate Year 11 students, the Engineering, Design and Computing Ambassador Program provides opportunities to deepen knowledge of engineering, design and computing while developing leadership and communication skills. Ambassadors help raise awareness of these disciplines within their school communities and connect with UQ students, academics and industry.

When Annual nomination program

Where School-based and online engagement

Who Year 11 students

Cost Free

Learn more



eait.uq.edu.au/community/high-school-activities-and-digital-resources/engineering-design-and-computing-high-school-ambassador-program



Future Leaders



Leadership opportunities help schools support students to develop confidence, communication skills and leadership capability while exploring future study and career pathways.

Future Leaders Workshop

Develop leadership capability and future-ready skills

The Future Leaders Workshop supports students to strengthen leadership, communication and critical thinking skills through a series of interactive experiences. Students explore leadership styles, teamwork, goal setting and decision-making while developing confidence in their ability to contribute positively within their school and community.

The program encourages students to reflect on their strengths, engage with contemporary challenges and develop practical skills that will support future study, employment and leadership opportunities.

When 1 July 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Years 11-12 students

Cost Free

Contact us

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futurestudentsaustralia@uq.edu.au

Young ChangeMakers

Support emerging student leaders

The Young ChangeMakers Program is a four-day residential leadership and academic enrichment experience for Year 11 students. Designed to inspire the next generation of leaders, the program provides opportunities for students to explore innovative ideas, develop leadership capability and build confidence in creating positive change within their communities and the wider world.

Through interactive activities, workshops and discussions, students engage with industry, community and academic leaders while exploring leadership, innovation, academic achievement and community impact. Participants build networks with like-minded peers, gain valuable insight into university life and future pathways, and are encouraged to think critically about the challenges and opportunities shaping their future.

When 28 November – 1 December 2027

Where St Lucia campus

Who Year 11 students

Cost Fees apply. Financial support available.

Learn more

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study.uq.edu.au/information-resources/high-school-students/young-changemakers-program





PREPARE

Experience university study while still at school

Support capable students to extend their learning, build university-ready skills and experience tertiary study before finishing secondary school.

Enhanced Studies Program (ESP)

Complete a UQ course while still at school

The Enhanced Studies Program (ESP) enables eligible Year 11 and 12 students to complete a university course while finishing secondary school. Students experience university learning firsthand while developing the confidence, independence and skills needed for future study.

Key benefits

- Study a real UQ course while still at school
- Experience university classes, assessment and campus life
- Access UQ libraries, student services and campus resources
- Eligible students may receive a selection rank adjustment*
- Potential credit towards a future UQ degree*
- May contribute towards a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)*

When Semester 2 (Year 11) or Semester 1 (Year 12)

Where St Lucia campus and selected online offerings

Who Eligible students in Years 11–12

Cost No tuition fees†

Learn more



esp.uq.edu.au

Effective Thinking and Writing (WRIT1999)

Develop the skills behind academic success

WRIT1999 is a one-week intensive university course offered through the Enhanced Studies Program for eligible Year 11 students. The course strengthens critical thinking, research, argumentation and academic writing skills while helping students prepare for the academic demands of senior secondary school and university study.

Key benefits

- Strengthen critical thinking and academic writing skills
- Develop research, evidence evaluation and argumentation capability
- Improve readiness for Year 12 and university study
- Experience university classes and assessment
- Connect with like-minded students
- Access UQ facilities and student support services
- Eligible students may also receive:
 - a selection rank adjustment*
 - university credit towards a UQ degree*
 - QCE recognition*

When Monday 11 – Friday 15 January 2027 and Monday 10 – Friday 14 January 2028

Where St Lucia campus

Who Students are eligible if they meet either of the following criteria:

- They are enrolled in Year 11 and attend a school with an ICSEA below 1000, or participate in a UQ pathway program such as Young Achievers Program (YAP) or InspireU; or
- They are enrolled in Year 11 at any Queensland school and are experiencing educational and/or financial disadvantage. For students attending a school with an ICSEA of 1000 or above, principal endorsement is required to confirm their eligibility.

Cost No tuition fees†

Learn more



esp.uq.edu.au/effective-thinking-and-writing-writ1999

Important information

* Conditions and eligibility requirements apply. Selection rank adjustments, university credit and QCE recognition are subject to current UQ and QCAA policies.

† While tuition fees are not charged, students may incur costs associated with textbooks, equipment, field trips or other course requirements.

Pathways to UQ

University journeys don't have to follow a traditional route

UQ College offers flexible pathways to help students reach their goal of studying at The University of Queensland. Whether they're returning to study, need to meet subject prerequisites, or want to strengthen their academic skills, our programs help students build the knowledge, skills and confidence to succeed in higher education.

Tertiary Preparation Program (TPP)

Develop the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed to take the next step towards university study.

Whether students are looking for a fresh start or a second chance to achieve their goals, the TPP provides a supportive pathway into higher education. Students can build strong academic foundations, grow their confidence, and gain valuable experience in a university learning environment.

When February and September intakes annually

Where St Lucia campus

Who Students seeking an alternative pathway to university

Cost Free

Learn more



uqcollege.uq.edu.au/study/pathways-uq/tertiary-preparation-program



Online Bridging Courses

Meet prerequisite requirements from anywhere.

These courses help students meet prerequisite requirements through flexible, self-paced study. Students will receive regular check-ins and access to academic support from UQ College teachers throughout their course. Courses are designed to be completed within 12 months of enrolment, helping students stay on track while balancing study with other commitments.

Available courses:

- General Mathematics
- Pure Mathematics (Mathematical Methods)
- Physics (available March 2027)
- Chemistry (available March 2027)
- Biology (available mid-2027)

See website for unit codes and descriptions.

When 2nd and 4th Monday of each month

Where Online

Who Students requiring online prerequisite courses

Cost Fees apply

Learn more



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Intensive Bridging Courses

Complete a prerequisite subject in just four weeks.

These courses are designed to help students complete a prerequisite subject in just four weeks. With a focused learning environment, access to UQ facilities and academic resources, these courses provide an intensive and supported way to prepare for university.

Choose from:

- Mathematical Methods
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology

When Mid-November to December (additional Mathematical Methods course offered mid-January to February)

Where St Lucia campus

Who Students requiring prerequisite subjects

Cost Fees apply

Learn more



uqcollege.uq.edu.au/study/pathways-uq/intensive-bridging-courses



Build practical skills and future opportunities

UQ Skills provides vocational education and training opportunities that help students gain nationally recognised qualifications while completing secondary school. Programs support workforce readiness and create pathways to further study.

UQ Skills in schools

Deliver nationally recognised qualifications

Schools can partner with UQ Skills to provide vocational training that contributes towards a student's Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE).

Qualifications include:

- Certificate II in Animal Care
- Certificate II in Maritime Operations
- Certificate II in Rural Operations
- Certificate IV in Entrepreneurship and New Business
- Certificate IV in Environmentally Sustainable Management
- Certificate II in Health Support Services
- Junior Ranger Program (Certificate II in Conservation and Ecosystem Management and Certificate II in Rural Operations) for First Nations students

Many courses are eligible for Queensland Government VETiS funding.

When Annual delivery

Where UQ campuses and participating schools

Who Years 10-12 students

Cost Funding may be available for eligible students

Learn more



uqskills.uq.edu.au/programs/high-school-programs

School partnership models

Flexible delivery options for schools

UQ Skills offers a range of delivery models designed to meet school needs and student demand.

Options include:

- UQ Skills delivery
- Partner delivery
- Distance delivery
- School delivery

Delivery methods combine online and face-to-face training to provide flexibility for schools and students.

When Ongoing

Where UQ campuses, partner schools and online

Who Secondary schools and students

Cost Varies by qualification and delivery model

Learn more



uqskills.uq.edu.au/school-partnerships



Developing future-ready thinking

Professional learning and educator engagement

UQ provides professional learning opportunities that help educators strengthen teaching practice, build confidence in emerging areas and connect with networks of colleagues and academic experts. These opportunities support schools to prepare students for a rapidly changing world while enhancing curriculum delivery and student outcomes.

Critical Thinking Project

Develop thinking that lasts a lifetime

The Critical Thinking Project supports schools to strengthen students' critical thinking, reasoning and problem-solving skills through curriculum-aligned learning experiences and resources. Designed in partnership with educators, the program helps students become more reflective, analytical and independent thinkers.

When Ongoing

Where Schools and online

Who Students and educators

Learn more

critical-thinking.project.uq.edu.au

Engaging Minds in IT

Bring artificial intelligence and computing into the classroom

This professional development workshop supports educators to confidently integrate artificial intelligence and computing concepts into Queensland school curricula. Participants explore practical approaches for making digital technologies engaging, accessible and relevant for students.

When 2027 dates to be confirmed

Where UQ St Lucia

Who Teachers and educators

Cost Free

Contact us

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Data Literacy for Educators

Turn data into meaningful insights

This full-day professional development workshop helps educators strengthen their data literacy skills by exploring how data can be interpreted, applied and used to inform teaching and learning decisions. Participants gain practical experience working with classroom and school-based data.

When 2027 dates to be confirmed

Where UQ St Lucia

Who Teachers and school leaders

Cost Free

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Resources for you

Arts Discovery Tool

The Arts Discovery Tool helps students explore how their interests, strengths and passions connect to future study options and career opportunities. The interactive tool encourages students to discover the flexibility and breadth of a Bachelor of Arts.

study.uq.edu.au/arts-discovery

Economics Explored

An online resource hub designed for students interested in economics. Explore student stories, videos, future career pathways, study information and upcoming opportunities to learn more about economics at UQ.

economics.uq.edu.au/study/school

Thinking Schools Network

The Thinking Schools Network provides access to professional learning, resources and a community of educators committed to embedding critical and creative thinking across teaching and learning.

critical-thinking.project.uq.edu.au/teacher-professional-development

Career Advisers' Conference

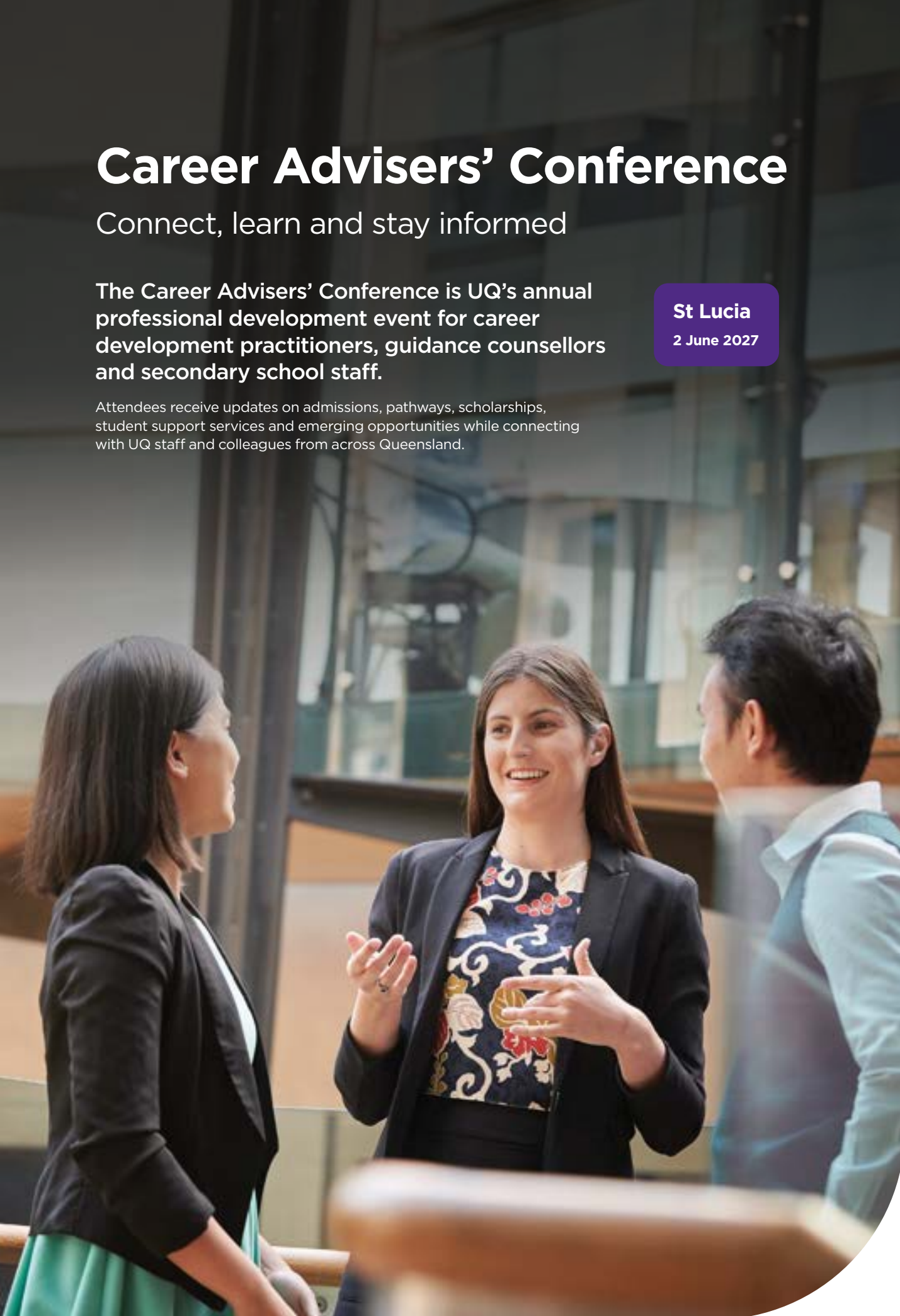
Connect, learn and stay informed

The Career Advisers' Conference is UQ's annual professional development event for career development practitioners, guidance counsellors and secondary school staff.

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2 June 2027

Attendees receive updates on admissions, pathways, scholarships, student support services and emerging opportunities while connecting with UQ staff and colleagues from across Queensland.





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