The Queensland Government welcomes International Students...

Queensland is delighted to offer international students the opportunity to be part of the fastest growing economy in Australia, renowned for its world-class education system.

Education Queensland International (EQI) is the Queensland Government’s dedicated team of professionals that specialises in managing the needs of international students and their families.

Queensland Government schools provide students with the best choice of pathways, enabling them to achieve their academic, career and personal development goals in a supportive and healthy environment.

Safety, academic excellence, natural beauty, competitive living costs and a healthy outdoor lifestyle make Queensland the best choice for an overseas study experience.

Queensland enjoys Australia’s best climate and is known for its active outdoor lifestyle that offers students a wide range of activities. Students can be part of the vibrant music and arts scenes or enjoy weekends of sport, relaxation or adventure.

International visitors and Australians alike are attracted to Queensland’s natural beauty. Queensland offers extensive city parklands, beautiful surf beaches, pristine rainforests, the world-famous Great Barrier Reef, and Australia’s amazing outback. No matter where you are studying you are sure to enjoy Queensland’s unique natural environments.

About Queensland

A multicultural society

Natural beauty and a warm sunny climate

Modern cosmopolitan cities

Friendly communities

Beach, rainforest, Great Barrier Reef and outback destinations

Low-cost living

Relaxed outdoor lifestyle

Population of 4.6 million

Second largest state in Australia

Growing economy

16 UNESCO World Heritage listed sites

We look forward to welcoming you to Queensland!
The Queensland Education System

**Primary school**  
Primary school for 7 Years  
(Preparatory - 6)

**High school**  
Senior High School for 2 Years (Years 11 - 12)  
International Baccalaureate (Years 11 - 12)  
Queensland Academies (Years 10 - 12)  
Junior High School for 4 Years (Years 7 - 10)

**High School Preparation**  
Intensive English Program to prepare for high school studies

**Employment**

**University**

**TAFE / vocational education and training**

### School term dates

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#2019 - Year 10 and 11 students finish 29 November 2019. Year 12 students finish 15 November 2019  
*2020 - Year 10 and 11 students finish 27 November 2020. Year 12 students finish 20 November 2020

Dates correct at time of print. Please check these dates with the following website: https://education.qld.gov.au/about-us/calendar
Queensland Government schools

Queensland Government schools have more than 28 years of experience in providing education programs to students from around the world.

Over 70 Queensland Government high schools and 20 primary schools are accredited to offer international programs.

Quality assurance

Queensland leads Australia in the provision of quality assurance systems for schools offering international programs. The process ensures quality in:

› Student counselling and guidance
› Facilities
› Student welfare
› Teaching practice
› School management
› Homestay
› Health and safety

Continuous assessment

Students’ academic progress is assessed continuously throughout the year using a range of tasks that contribute to their final grades.

These include:
› Assignments
› Oral presentations
› Practical exercises
› Examinations

Academic pathways

Successful completion of Year 11 and 12 leads to the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE), an internationally recognised high school qualification.

Students can choose from a wide range of universities, private colleges and vocational training institutions and most students receive their first choice for tertiary study provided that they have achieved the necessary academic result.

School hours

School hours are usually Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm.

Some schools run a four day week for senior high school, completing the same amount of student instruction over four days with the fifth day available for extra-curricular work.

Special Programs

Students may enrol in specialised subjects at selected schools including, but not limited to:

› accounting
› aviation
› ballet
› drama
› engineering
› film
› golf
› languages
› maths
› new media
› sciences
› soccer
› television
› tennis
Choose Your Destination

Queensland Government schools are located in many exciting locations throughout the state. Students can choose to study in modern sophisticated cities, relaxed countryside and coastal communities, close to national parks, rainforests, reefs, and some of the world’s most beautiful beaches. Three international and several domestic airports provide convenient access to get students anywhere they want to be!

Program Destinations

Queensland

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QUEENSLAND

AUSTRALIA

International Airport

Cairns
Atherton
Townsville
Mackay
Yeppoon
Bundaberg
Hervey Bay
Gympie
Sunshine Coast
Brisbane
Kingaroy
Toowoomba
Gold Coast
Program choices for individuals

**PS Primary**  
CRICOS Course Code: 082519A

EQI has over 20 schools that offer programs for primary school students. All international students receive support from caring teachers as they participate in regular classroom activities.

All students receive additional English support throughout their course of study.

**Student requirements:** Students must live with a parent or close relative for the duration of the enrolment.

**Program length:** 1 semester - 7 years  
**Age range:** 5 - 11 years  
**School year:** Prep- 6  
**Visa requirements:** Student Visa  
**Travel policy:** As per EQI’s travel policy  
**Program entry:** Semester 1 (January) or Semester 2 (July)


**HSP High School Preparation**  
CRICOS Course Code: 087993A

EQI’s High School Preparation (HSP) program is an intensive English language program that prepares students for mainstream high school studies.

Students develop their English proficiency, academic language and study skills required for subjects including mathematics, science, technology, Studies of Society and literature.

The HSP program features:
- 10 week modules
- Maximum of 18 students per class
- 25 hours of instruction per week
- School integration
- Qualified English teachers

**Program length:** 10 - 40 weeks*  
**Age range:** 12 - 18 years  
**Visa requirements:** Student Visa  
**Travel:** As per EQI’s travel policy  
**Program entry:** Students may enrol at the beginning of any school term.

* Depending on student's English level.

**IB International Baccalaureate**  
CRICOS Course Code: 079324E

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma program is a world recognised curriculum available in selected Queensland schools.*

Upon successful completion of Years 11 and 12, students are awarded the Queensland Certificate of Education in addition to an IB Diploma.

Students wishing to enrol in the IB program should have achieved high academic results in a range of subjects prior to entry.

**Program length:** 1 semester, one academic year or the 2 year diploma course  
**Age range:** 15 - 18 years  
**School year:** 11 and 12  
**Visa requirements:** Student Visa  
**Travel policy:** As per EQI’s travel policy  
**Program entry:** Semester 1 (January) or Semester 2 (July)

* Additional fees apply.

**QA Queensland Academies**  
CRICOS Course Code: 078784G

The International Baccalaureate Diploma program is also available at the Queensland Academies.

**High School**

CRICOS Course Code: 082520G Years 7-10  
CRICOS Course Code: 082521G Years 11-12

The High School program is designed for students seeking to graduate high school in Queensland and qualify for tertiary study in Australia or abroad.

Students can choose from over 70 schools throughout Queensland. Each school provides the highest standard of teaching and care and also offers specialised courses, sports, arts and languages.

Students who successfully complete Years 11 and 12 will receive the internationally recognised Queensland Certificate of Education.

Program Length: 2 - 6 years  
Age Range: 12 - 18 years  
School Year: 7 - 12  
Visa requirements: Student Visa  
Travel: As per EQI's travel policy  
Program entry: Students may enrol at the beginning of any school term in Years 7 to 11.


**High School - (Regional Study Abroad)**

CRICOS Course Code: 082520G Years 7-10  
CRICOS Course Code: 082521G Years 11-12

This program provides an opportunity for students to experience school life in unique areas of Queensland.

Each location has been carefully selected and offers a combination of high quality education, welcoming communities and unique natural surroundings, allowing for complete immersion into Australian culture.

Queensland is re-validated by several education systems abroad.*

Program Length: 1 term - 4 terms (3-12 months)  
Age Range: 14 - 18 years  
School Year: 9, 10, 11 and 12  
Visa requirements: Student Visa  
Travel: As per EQI’s travel policy  
Program entry: Term 1, 2, 3 or 4†  


* EQI recommends that students verify credit recognition in their home country.  
† Year 12 students cannot commence in term 4 due to end of year exams.

**High School (Study Abroad)**

CRICOS Course Code: 082520G Years 7-10  
CRICOS Course Code: 082521G Years 11-12

This program provides a high school experience with opportunities to pursue personal, cultural and academic goals.

Students integrate into the school community, improve their English proficiency and learn about Australian culture before returning home to continue their studies. Study in Queensland is re-validated by several education systems abroad.*

Program Length: 1 term - 4 terms (3-12 months)  
Age Range: 12 - 18 years  
School Year: 7 - 12  
Visa requirements: Student Visa  
Travel: As per EQI’s travel policy  
Program entry: Students may enrol at the beginning of any school term in Years 7 to 12*. 


* EQI recommends that students verify credit recognition in their home country.  
* Year 12 students cannot commence in term 4 due to end of year exams.

**Holiday Adventures**

EQI helps students already studying in Queensland to make the most of their study experience by offering fully-escorted holiday tours to exciting destinations throughout Australia.*

Students and their friends have the chance to explore famous Aussie icons and transform their school holidays into unforgettable adventures!

Students are encouraged to apply early to secure a place in these popular programs.

Program Dates: April, June, September and December  
Program Length: 1 to 2 weeks  
Destination: Tour destinations vary each year.  

* Independent student travel is not permitted.
A highlight of Queensland Government school programs is the excellent homestay accommodation available to students enrolled in High School.

Homestay provides students with a caring and safe family environment in which to live while they study. Living with an Australian family enables students to fully engage in school and family life and to quickly improve their English skills. All families have been carefully selected by school staff and hold a government-authorised permit (Blue Card) to host international students.

Homestay includes:
› Three meals per day, seven days per week
› Student’s own bedroom with study facilities
› Assistance to find transport to and from school
› Airport pick up provided free to all international students arriving in Queensland for the first time.

* Students enrolled in Primary School must live with a parent or close relative as defined by the Australian Immigration Regulations.

24 hour care
All international students have 24 hour emergency assistance and multi-lingual support available.

Queensland Government schools offer extensive resources and modern facilities to support innovation and 21st century learning which include:
› Computer laboratories linked to universities
› On-line learning
› Video conferencing and recording studios
› Photography laboratories
› Multimedia technology
› Commercial standard kitchens

Students can choose from a wide variety of subjects that will help them develop their individual skills, talents and support career goals. EQI will help students to select a school that offers suitable subjects.

Queensland Government schools understand the needs of international students and have a special support team at each school.
› International Student Coordinator: provides academic and pastoral guidance to international students.
› Homestay Coordinator: organises placement and ensures students have an enjoyable homestay experience.
› Guidance Officer: provides specialist counselling and advice on academic pathways, career options and personal wellbeing.
How to apply

Academic requirements

› Experienced staff will place each student in a year level which is comparable to the level of education they have already achieved.
› Students must achieve at least a pass or better in their core subjects (including English) in their own country.*

*There may be subject prerequisites that apply to placement in certain subjects, particularly at senior high school level.

English requirements

Students must provide evidence that they meet one of the following criteria:

Studies have been conducted in English for a minimum of two years at the relevant school level.

Students have achieved a satisfactory result in an approved English language test.

Students have successfully completed an approved intensive English course (for example High School Preparation).

eqi.com.au/enrolment-policy

Visa requirements

Students studying in Queensland Government schools require a school sector student visa (subclass 500). Please visit the Australian Department of Home Affairs

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

The Australian Government requires that most international students in Australia maintain medical cover through an approved OSHC provider.* Visit the Department of Home Affairs for more information:

OSHC documentation will be organised by EQI as part of the enrolment process into a Queensland Government school.


*OSHC fees are set by the insurance provider and are in addition to the program fees.

Application process

1. Application forms can be downloaded from the EQI website: eqi.com.au/application-form
2. EQI recommends the services of our trained and registered education agents to assist with your application. Contact EQI for agent contacts in your country or visit: eqi.com.au/find-an-agent
3. Complete the application form and attach the required documents as listed in the checklist.
4. Forward the documents to EQI for processing. See EQI website eqi.com.au for details.
Offshore Programs

Students can study EQI programs in their own country to prepare them for future university study in Australia or across the globe.

Queensland Recognised School Program

The Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) is Queensland’s senior school qualification, which is awarded to eligible Year 12 students. The QCE:

› is available to students at a number of offshore Queensland Recognised Schools
› recognises broad learning options and offers flexibility in what, when, where and how learning occurs
› is an internationally recognised high school qualification
› provides pathways for students to gain Australian and overseas tertiary entrance.

Unilearn Pathways (UP)

UP is a high-quality university pathway program designed specifically to provide international students with the necessary training and preparation to successfully undertake university studies in Australia or in other countries. UP features:

› a strong academic program incorporating English language development and IELTS
› high-quality, student-centred teaching and learning environments
› integrated subjects with a business and technology focus: Language (English), Business, Mathematics, Cultural Studies and Information Communication and Technology.

Program choices for groups

Group Study Tours

Group study tour programs* provide a unique opportunity for students to gain an invaluable insight into studying in a Queensland Government school. Groups of school students from around the world can experience Australian culture while studying alongside Queensland students and staying in a host family environment.

With a strong emphasis on engaging and interacting with local students and the community, students have the opportunity to develop lasting international friendships and broaden their global perspective.

Representing over 400 host schools throughout Queensland, EQI offer a wide range of program options that can be tailored to suit the specific needs and focus of each group.

Study tour programs can range from half a day to twelve weeks in duration and combine exciting educational, tourism and cultural exchange activities. Specialised study tour programs designed to match the academic focus of the visiting group provide students with a unique opportunity to enrich their studies in a globalised context.

Study Tours can include:
› School integration with buddies
› Homestay
› English lessons
› Educational and themed excursions
› Specialised programs focused on:
   › Global leadership
   › Science
   › Excellence in sports, music, arts and creative industries

Tour length: minimum half day, maximum 12 weeks
Age range: 10 - 18 years
Group size: minimum 10 to maximum 20 students per host school
Tour Escorts: An English-speaking escort must accompany each group at each host school
Availability: Flexible start dates during Queensland Government school term dates.


Professional Visit Programs

Short term professional visits and seminars for groups of overseas officials and teaching professionals are coordinated by EQI on a fee-for-service basis. Professional Visit programs* are highly customised and offer a flexible combination of seminars, site visits and training at Queensland Government schools.

With access to Queensland Government schools and government officials, visiting delegates can gain first-hand knowledge and develop an extensive network of contacts within the Queensland education sector. Programs can cover a wide range of topics and are designed to meet the specific interests of the group to advance professional development.


* Programs are organised through accredited Study Tour and Professional Visit agents.
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