UQ is there to support you in making the best start to this new phase of your life. Whether you need to find somewhere to live, work out how to get to campus, get help with your health or finances, or make new friends, we’re here to help.

MOVING TO BRISBANE

Get around easily
Brisbane has a reliable network of public transport with discounts for full-time students, as well as paths and walkways perfect for walking or cycling.

Have fun with friends
Explore Brisbane, named Australia’s Hippest City by Lonely Planet, and discover laneway festivals, shops and markets, and sporting events.

Study in the “Sunshine State”
Enjoy 283 days of sunshine every year and temperatures that rarely dip below 20°C even in winter.

Eat out
Discover Brisbane’s wide range of multicultural cafes and restaurants, explore one of the vibrant night markets, or enjoy a picnic or barbecue with friends at one of the city’s many leafy parks.

Get your culture fix
Enjoy a range of cultural activities and events, from museums and art galleries to live music, comedy, theatre, dance and more.
Living on campus
UQ’s on-campus accommodation consists of 10 residential colleges at the St Lucia campus and the Halls of Residence at the Gatton campus, which are home to over 3000 students from Australia and overseas.
Living on campus can assist you in making a smooth transition from high school to university. Aside from the convenience of having every university facility and service only minutes away, there are other great advantages to living at a residential college, including:
- fully catered accommodation
- supportive staff available 24/7
- safe and secure premises
- academic tutorial programs and peer group support
- strong, lifelong college and professional networks
- community service opportunities
- active sporting, cultural and social life
- college scholarships, prizes and bursaries
- inter-college activities
- lasting friendships.
College fees and on-campus cost of living vary between colleges. Visit liveuq.edu.au to explore the colleges and apply online.

Accommodation advice
UQ Accommodation Services provides information and services to assist you in finding a home that’s right for you, and make your arrival as smooth as possible.
UQ Accommodation Services offer:
- free information sessions all year
- online resources
- one-on-one appointments with accommodation advisors
- share housing and living skills advice and resources.
Allow at least one month to arrange inspections and lodge applications for rental properties. Visit accommodation.uq.edu.au for more information.

UQ Rentals
On the UQ Rentals database, you can:
- access hundreds of shared and vacant property listings, ranging from low-cost share houses to high-rise penthouses
- filter for the price and location that best suits your needs.
This service is exclusive to UQ students. Visit uqrentals.com.au to access the database.

Student accommodation providers
A number of approved student accommodation providers offer a variety of purpose-built and managed housing options. You can view the list at uq.edu.au/student-services/accommodation/preferred-providers

Guaranteed accommodation
UQ guarantees new regional and interstate students a place at a college or approved student accommodation provider.
Conditions apply – to find out more, visit accommodation.uq.edu.au

KATIE BROOMFIELD
Current student and Resident Activity Officer, Union College

For me, joining the Union College community was like coming home. From the very first day, I’ve made friends and memories that will last a lifetime. The many wonderful shared experiences you have make the transition to tertiary studies so much more enjoyable.
With the ability to walk from your accommodation, often with friends and colleagues who are enrolled in your chosen program, and arrive at your lecture theatre within five minutes, saves so much time each week. This time can then be used to engage in the many sporting, cultural and social activities on offer. Choosing to live on campus has been the best decision I’ve ever made and I’ll forever remember my time at Union.
**TRAVEL OPTIONS**

### ST LUCIA
- **BUS** – one arrives every two minutes at the UQ Lakes bus stop; the Chancellor’s Place bus stop is also well serviced.
- **CITYCAT** – ferries to UQ’s CityCat terminal regularly depart from the city and suburbs.
- **TRAIN** – the closest stops are at Indooroopilly, Taringa, Toowong or Dutton Park, then walk or catch a bus to campus.
- **WALK** – access campus from local suburbs or via the Eleanor Schonell Bridge.
- **DRIVE** – metered parking spaces are readily available but in high demand year-round; see [www.pf.uq.edu.au/parking](http://www.pf.uq.edu.au/parking)
- **BIKE** – park in secure Bike Box facilities or at bike racks.

### HERSTON
- **BUS** – Herston Road and Bowen Bridge Road have stops for UQ Herston, and a UQ operated intercampus service is also available; see [www.pf.uq.edu.au/buses](http://www.pf.uq.edu.au/buses)
- **TRAIN** – the closest stops are Brunswick Street or Bowen Hills stations, followed by a short walk to campus.
- **DRIVE** – parking on campus is extremely limited, but commercial carparks are located close by.
- **WALK** – access campus from local suburbs.
- **BIKE** – park in secure Bike Box facilities or at bike racks.

### GATTON
- **BUS** – Gatton, Brisbane and Toowoomba have services to campus, and a UQ-operated intercampus service is also available; see [www.pf.uq.edu.au/buses](http://www.pf.uq.edu.au/buses)
- **TRAIN** – you can purchase a combined rail and bus service ticket from Brisbane and travel by Queensland Rail and Greyhound express coach.
- **DRIVE** – parking on campus is free, however spaces are in high demand during teaching periods; see [www.pf.uq.edu.au/parking](http://www.pf.uq.edu.au/parking)
- **BIKE** – park in secure Bike Box facilities or at bike racks.
YOUR SUPPORT

Being a bit further away from home doesn’t mean you’re on your own. As a UQ student, you’ll have access to a wide range of services to support you while you study.

General support
Student Services – A comprehensive source of advice on everything from accommodation to learning, offering one-on-one consultations and workshops
Student Help on Campus (SHOC) – A qualified and professional team of UQ Union staff providing a range of services relating to employment, education, equity and more
Student Centres – Assistance in a range of areas including forms, payments, admissions and enrolments and grievances

Health and wellbeing
University Health Service – Accredited general practice providing comprehensive and confidential health services for students
UQ Dental – Dental clinic at UQ St Lucia offering student discounts
Counselling – Free, confidential service for all students available through Student Services

Careers and employability
Student Employability Centre (UGSEC) – Access funding, opportunities and services including global experiences, undergraduate research, student leadership, professional and practical experiences, and career support
UQ StudentHub – Search online for voluntary and paid positions, and get access to workshops, training and support to develop your academic, professional, personal and employability skills
Faculty employability teams – Individual faculty teams provide career advice and support specific to your area of study

New students
New2UQ – Academic and social orientation activities
Student Relations Network – A network of experienced students who can provide support to new students enrolled in similar areas of study

Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) – A mentoring scheme offered by some faculties, with collaborative study sessions run by second- and third-year students
Peer mentoring – More than 40 peer mentoring programs across the University let you get help from more experienced students

Equity and diversity
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (ATSIS) Unit – Professional services and academic support for UQ’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students
Disability advisers – Providing support services for students with a disability, illness, injury, mental illness or medical conditions
Discrimination and Harassment Contact Officers (DHCOs) – Advising students who are concerned they have been discriminated against or harassed
Ally Network – A network of trained staff and students to support LGBTI students

YOUR BUDGET

Planning ahead for some of the expenses you might encounter when you start university will help you transition to life at UQ more easily.

COURSE FEES – these vary depending on what you study and whether you have a Commonwealth-supported place. Indicative annual fees are listed on future-students.uq.edu.au.

STUDENT SERVICES AND AMENITIES FEE (SSAF) – this covers non-academic services such as sporting and recreation activities, student support and campus culture.

STUDY MATERIALS – including textbooks and specialist equipment. You can sometimes save money by looking for secondhand or online copies.

TRANSPORT – UQ campuses are easily accessible by public transport, and also have amenities for bike riders.

ACCOMMODATION – if you are moving away from home, there are a range of accommodation choices ranging from on-campus colleges to private rentals.

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This table does not include establishment costs for a student choosing to live off-campus, which are estimated to be $3000. General living costs and off-campus rental fees sourced April 2017 from numbeo.com/cost-of-living/in/Brisbane.
YOUR LIFESTYLE

Have fun while you study! UQ offers a range of cultural and recreational activities and events for you to enjoy.

200+ clubs and societies
from anime to yoga

free concerts
at the School of Music every Thursday during semester

20+ food and drink
outlets for coffee, snacks and meals

free breakfast
tea, coffee and pancakes three days a week at Morning Marmalade

35+ sporting clubs
at UQ Sport
plus social clubs, a gym, aquatic centre, tennis courts and more

6 Mates
at UQ groups
to meet like-minded friends

free museums
to explore, including the UQ Art Museum, the Anthropology Museum and the RD Milns Antiquities Museum

weekly markets
at St Lucia, selling flowers, fashion, jewellery and more

Explore your options

15–16 JULY 2017
Tertiary Studies Expo (TSXPO)

6 AUGUST 2017
St Lucia Open Day

20 AUGUST 2017
Gatton Open Day

18 DECEMBER 2017
UQ OP Results Advice Night

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