

ADMISSION INFORMATION

UQ provides international students with clear information about admission processes, and offers assistance in understanding the academic and language requirements.



ACADEMIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

An undergraduate or postgraduate degree, certificate, and relevant work experience are among the requirements for admission into UQ's postgraduate programs.



FOR POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK PROGRAMS

Please see pages 39-90 for entry requirements for specific coursework programs.

Graduate Certificate

A bachelor degree is usually required for entry. Faculties may sometimes consider applicants who have sufficient relevant work experience instead of a degree.

Graduate Diploma

A bachelor degree or graduate certificate is usually required for entry.

Masters by Coursework

A bachelor or honours degree is usually required for entry.

Professional Doctorate

A bachelor degree with Honours I or IIA is usually required for entry in addition to two years of relevant professional experience.

Additional requirements

Some disciplines may have additional requirements for admission. For example, applicants for the Graduate Diploma in Education are also required to submit a teaching area nomination form directly to the School of Education, and applicants will be required to complete an interview where the teaching areas are languages other than English, or music, or the applicant is from a non-English speaking background.

FOR RESEARCH HIGHER DEGREE PROGRAMS

Please see pages 36-37 for more information.

Students on a guided tour at UQ St Lucia during Orientation Week

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

You must have a certain standard of English language proficiency before you can commence an academic program at UQ.

DEMONSTRATING ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

International applicants will be deemed proficient in the English language if they can demonstrate one of the following requirements for entry to most postgraduate coursework and research higher degree programs.

If the applicant's first language is English:

- demonstrate that they have graduated from a recognised degree program at an accredited university where English is recognised as the primary language of instruction (all textbooks, instruction and assessment are conducted in English).

If the applicant's first language is not English:

- demonstrate evidence of study in a recognised degree program undertaken for two years in the five years prior to commencement at UQ at an accredited university where English is recognised as the primary medium of instruction (MOI) (all textbooks, instruction and assessment are conducted in English).

or

If the applicant's first language is not English:

- achieve at least 6.5 overall and 6.0 in the writing test of IELTS (or equivalent test). See the English – alternative tests and scores table on page 106. (Some programs may require a higher IELTS score; please see individual program requirements.)

For more information, go to www.uq.edu.au/international/language-requirements

Documentation required

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test

Applicants demonstrating their English proficiency with an IELTS test score must attach a copy of the IELTS test result to the application.

Information regarding the IELTS test may be obtained from IDP Education Australia offices, Australian Diplomatic Missions and the University's official representatives (www.uq.edu.au/international/edureps).

IELTS

www.ielts.org

British Council

www.britishcouncil.org

Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC)

www.immi.gov.au

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

Applicants demonstrating their English proficiency with a TOEFL test score must organise for UQ to receive an original copy of an official TOEFL score report for tests other than Internet-based. For Internet-based TOEFL tests, please provide a copy of the TOEFL results for verification purposes. Please note that The University of Queensland does not accept TOEFL results for quota-based programs. Also note that the University does not accept institutional TOEFL tests.

TOEFL

www.toefl.org

English language studies and IELTS at UQ

Applicants wishing to increase their English language proficiency can undertake intensive English language studies at the UQ's Institute of Continuing & TESOL Education (ICTE-UQ).

English language training courses offered by ICTE-UQ are outlined on pages 30-31.

Institute of Continuing & TESOL Education (ICTE-UQ)

www.icte.uq.edu.au

Email tesol.enrol@icte.uq.edu.au

Phone +61 7 3346 6770

ICTE CRICOS Provider Number 00091C

English language proficiency for visa purposes

Students who satisfy the University's English language proficiency requirements may still need to meet additional student visa requirements for English proficiency, as required by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC).

DIAC will only accept an IELTS test for visa purposes where evidence of English language proficiency is required.

Australian Diplomatic Mission

www.immi.gov.au/contacts

DIAC

www.immi.gov.au

ENGLISH – ALTERNATIVE TESTS AND SCORES

The minimum IELTS and TOEFL scores required for admission to most undergraduate, postgraduate and research programs at the university are indicated in the table below.

TEST/SYSTEM	OVERALL SCORE	PLUS ADDITIONAL SCORE
Academic International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test	6.5	6 (Writing)
Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL):		
– paper-based TOEFL	570	5 (TWE – Test of Written English)
– Computerised TOEFL (CBT)	237	4.5 (Essay rating)
– Internet-based TOEFL (iBT)	90	21 (Writing)
University of Cambridge English Language Proficiency Exams	A grade of C or better in the Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE); or a grade of A in the Certificate of Advanced English (CAE).	

NOTES:

- Test scores are valid for two years from the date of the test to the date of commencement of the UQ program.
- Information correct as at 1 December 2009. Please refer to www.uq.edu.au/international/language-requirements for current English Language requirement.
- The information above outlines the standard English Language entry requirements for most UQ programs, however some programs require a higher level of English language proficiency. Please refer to individual program entry requirements for specific English Language proficiency requirements.

APPLICATION PROCESS

These pages provide a summary of the process and documentation required to apply for admission to UQ.

FOR RESEARCH HIGHER DEGREE PROGRAMS

See page 37 for information on how to apply for research higher degrees at UQ, or contact the UQ Graduate School.

UQ Graduate School
www.uq.edu.au/grad-school

FOR POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK PROGRAMS

You can apply through one of UQ's authorised education representatives (listed at www.uq.edu.au/international/edureps) or directly to the university.

Applications for postgraduate coursework programs must be submitted directly to the International Admissions Section, or alternatively to one of the University's authorised representatives (see right).

Hardcopy application forms are included at the back of this prospectus or can be downloaded at www.uq.edu.au/international/forms

Documentation required

Please ensure you submit up-to-date transcripts and award certificates with your application.

You should submit copies certified by a Justice of the Peace, a Notary Public (that is, a practising solicitor) or similar government official in your country, or by one of UQ's authorised representatives (see right). Official translations are required for all documents in languages other than English.

If awaiting transcripts or current results, you may still submit an application. However, please note that it is mandatory to attach documents for English proficiency (unless intending to sit a test) and post-secondary results to your application form.

Please forward any outstanding documents as soon as you receive them to UQ's International Admissions Section. Please ensure that these documents are clearly marked with your UQ Student ID (if available), family name, first name, date of birth, proposed program and a note that an application has already been submitted. Submit applications to applicationstatus@uq.edu.au

Assessment of applications

UQ's International Admissions Section assesses applications against admission criteria for entry to a University of Queensland program.

Application status

To enquire about your application status, please email applicationstatus@uq.edu.au with your full name, date of birth and UQ Student ID (if available).

International Admissions Section
UQ International
Level 2, JD Story Building
The University of Queensland
Brisbane, Queensland, 4072, Australia
Email applicationstatus@uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 7941
Fax +61 7 3365 1794

UQ authorised educational representatives

UQ's representatives can assist with information about studying at UQ, entry requirements and applications.

UQ Authorised Educational Representatives
www.uq.edu.au/international/edureps

Who is an international student?

You are an international student if you are:

- a Temporary Resident (visa status) of Australia
- a Permanent Resident (visa status) of New Zealand, or
- a resident or citizen of any other country.

You are not an international student if you are:

- an Australian citizen (living in Australia or as a resident overseas),
- an Australian Permanent Resident (visa status), or
- a New Zealand citizen.

How to apply for postgraduate coursework programs

1. Complete the International Student Application for Graduate Coursework Studies application form (at the back of this prospectus or available to download from www.uq.edu.au/study/forms/international/InternatGradCourseworkAppForm.pdf).
2. Attach all required documentation.
3. Include application fee of AUD\$100 payable by credit card or bank draft (non-refundable).
4. Submit the application form to International Admissions, Level 2, JD Story Building, The University of Queensland, St Lucia, Queensland 4072 or via email to applicationstatus@uq.edu.au. Alternatively, you can submit your application to one of UQ's authorised representatives.

Application closing dates – postgraduate coursework

Visa application processing time varies according to Assessment Levels for your nationality as determined by the Student Visa program. This information is available at www.immi.gov.au/students. You are advised to submit your application no later than the



Jacaranda tree in bloom at UQ St Lucia

recommended deadline stated below for each Assessment Level to ensure that you have enough time to apply for a student visa.

	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
Assessment Levels 1 and 2	November 15 of the previous year	May 15 of the same year
Assessment Levels 3 and 4	October 15 of the previous year	April 15 of the same year

Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC)
www.immi.gov.au

Some programs require that applications be submitted earlier. To check if earlier closing dates apply, please refer to the Postgraduate Coursework Programs section of this prospectus (pages 39-90) or the UQ Courses and Programs website (www.uq.edu.au/study).

VISAS

All international students applying to study in Australia must have a student visa.

International students must undertake programs on campus at UQ on a full-time basis to be eligible to apply for an Australian student visa.

Applications and processing of student visas can take up to six months. An application fee applies for visas.

For all visa enquiries and applications, please contact your local Australian Embassy, High Commission or Diplomatic Mission. It is a student's responsibility to ensure a visa is received in sufficient time to commence studies at the University.

Australian Diplomatic Missions
www.immi.gov.au/contacts

Australian Embassies
www.immi.gov.au/contacts

Australian High Commissions
www.immi.gov.au/contacts

Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC)
www.immi.gov.au/contacts

Application process – postgraduate coursework

Action by postgraduate coursework applicants

