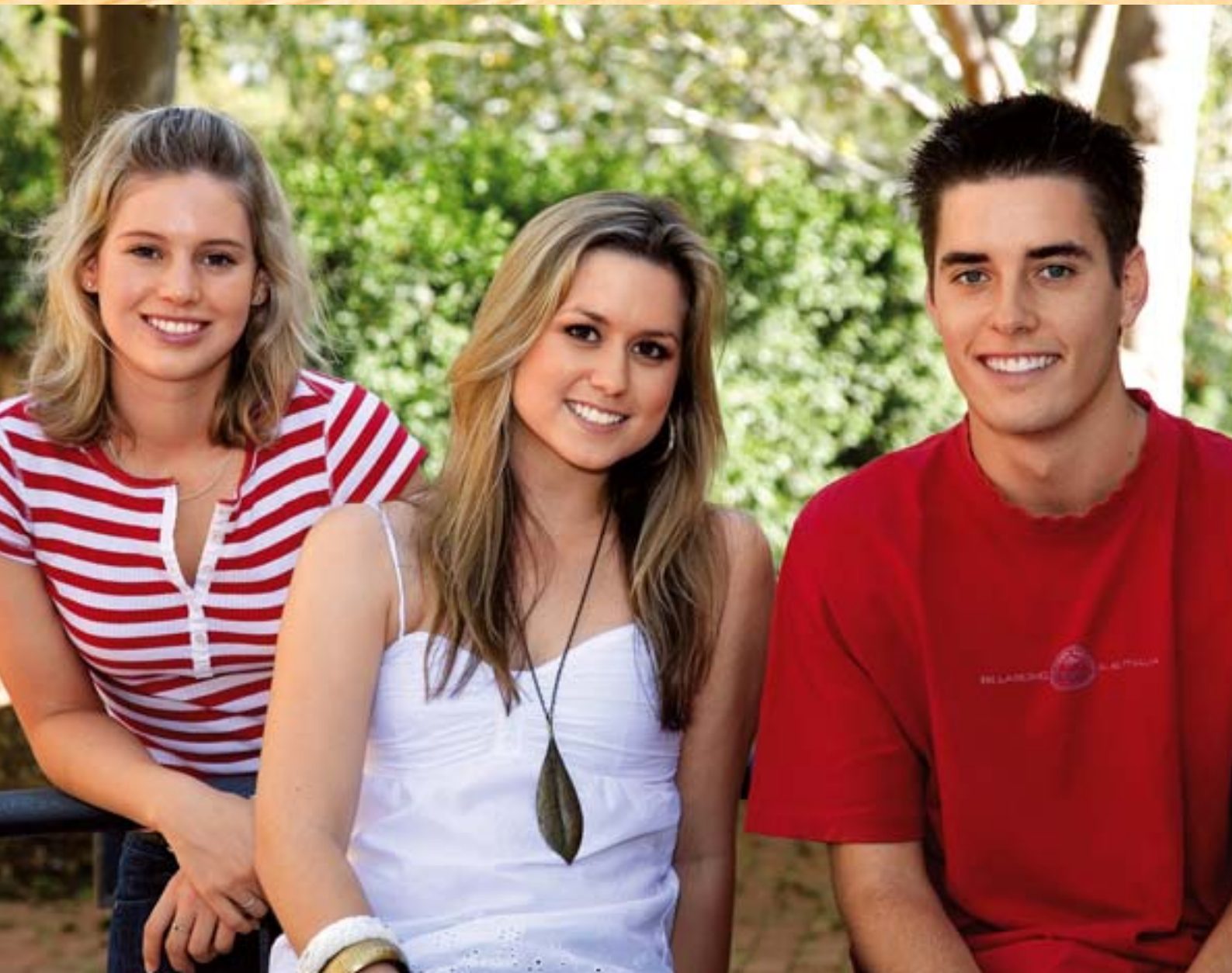


THE UQ EXPERIENCE

UQ students benefit from world-class facilities, academic and personal support and a great mix of sporting, recreational and social activities.

Students from Union College – one of 10 residential colleges situated on the St Lucia campus



BRISBANE AND QUEENSLAND

Brisbane is the second-fastest growing city in the Western world. It is an area known for its relaxed lifestyle and access to world-renowned natural attractions.

Brisbane

Brisbane is the capital of Queensland, Australia's "Smart State", and is widely known as the country's most liveable city.

It is Australia's fastest-growing capital with a population of more than 1.8 million and offers a safe, friendly, multicultural environment.

Brisbane is considered one of the major business hubs in Australia. Most major Australian and international companies have a contact office in Brisbane. Many electronics companies also take advantage of the strategic port and airports by choosing to have distribution hubs in the city.

The inner city is characterised by the Brisbane River, parklands, convention facilities, museums, art galleries, a casino, malls, shopping districts and a host of cosmopolitan restaurants and cafés.

The golden beaches and fun parks of the Gold Coast are just an hour's drive south. The beautiful Sunshine Coast beaches lie a short drive to the north, along with National Parks, rainforests and attractions such as Australia Zoo.

Brisbane's reputation as a friendly, modern city makes it a popular tourist destination.

Brisbane City Council
www.brisbane.qld.gov.au

Lonely Planet
www.lonelyplanet.com

Our Brisbane
www.ourbrisbane.com

Things to do in Brisbane
www.thingstodo.com/au/queensland

Brisbane – facts and figures

Brisbane

> Capital city of the State of Queensland, Australia.

Population

- > 1,820,375 (Brisbane city and surrounding areas).
- > 4,132,015 (Queensland).
- > Brisbane is Australia's third largest city after Sydney and Melbourne.

Time Zone

> GMT/UTC + 10 hours.

Language

- > English.
- > Australia is a multicultural country so it is normal to hear people speaking a variety of languages.

Currency

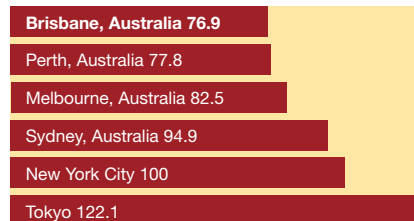
> Australian Dollar (AUD\$).

Climate

- > Subtropical.
- > Summer – December to February; Autumn – March to May; Winter – June to August; Spring – September to November.
- > Summer maximum average temperatures are around 29° celsius (84° Fahrenheit).
- > The average maximum daytime temperature in winter is around 21° celsius (70° Fahrenheit).
- > People are advised to wear hats, cool clothing that protects from the sun and maximum UV-protection (30+) sunscreen during summer.
- > A long-sleeved jacket and warm clothes will be necessary during the early morning and evening in winter.

Source: Population statistics: Queensland Govt, Office of Economic and Statistical Research, 2007.

Comparative cost of living



Source: Mercer Cost of Living Survey, Worldwide Rankings 2007

Brisbane city



Queensland

Queensland is widely regarded as an engine room with strong business investment and economic growth, which generates tens of thousands of new jobs every year.

During 2006-2007, Queensland's job growth was more than double the rate of the rest of Australia.

Through its "Smart State" initiative, the Queensland Government has invested more than \$3 billion in research and development and innovation. The characteristics of Queensland's "Smart State" economy include a highly educated and skilled population; advancing productivity; a culture of creativity and innovation; and opportunities spread throughout Queensland communities.

Queensland's economy has enjoyed a boom in the tourism and mining industries over the past 20 years. A sizeable influx of interstate and overseas migrants, large amounts of federal government investment, increased mining of vast mineral deposits and an ever expanding aerospace sector ensure that the State will remain Australia's fastest growing economy in the foreseeable future.

Queensland attracts more than half of all international tourists to Australia. Its tropical coastal strip includes sandy beaches, coral islands and plenty of sunshine.

In the far north, the Daintree Rainforest sweeps down to the sea. As the oldest rainforest on Earth, it nurtures spectacular wildlife. The Great Barrier Reef is one of the "Natural Wonders of the World". As the largest World Heritage Area, it stretches more than 2000 kilometres alongside the coast, and is home to around 1500 species of fish and 350 types of coral.

West of Queensland's Great Dividing Range are mine sites and huge cattle and sheep properties. The unique red and brown landscapes of Queensland's outback span around 800,000 square kilometres. Closer to Brisbane, some of the largest sand dunes in the world attract travellers to Stradbroke, Moreton and Fraser Islands.

Study Queensland
www.studyqueensland.qld.edu.au

Tourism Queensland
www.tq.com.au



South Bank Parklands, Brisbane



UQ's Dr Steve Salisbury digging for fossils in outback Queensland



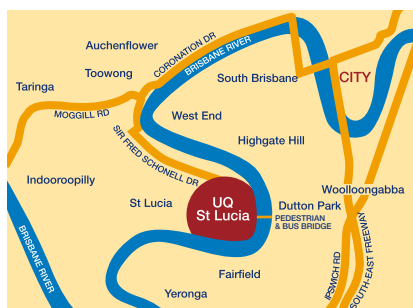
UQ's mine is located near the St Lucia campus.



Great Barrier Reef, coastal Queensland

CAMPUSES

UQ has three main campuses – St Lucia, Ipswich and Gatton – and teaching and research sites throughout Queensland. While all share UQ's tradition of excellence, each is an outstanding environment in its own right.



UQ St Lucia

UQ's St Lucia campus is renowned as one of Australia's most attractive campuses and is just seven kilometres from Brisbane's vibrant city heart (see page 8).

Bounded by the Brisbane River on three sides, the 114-hectare site provides a perfect study, research and living environment. UQ St Lucia unites the vitality of a modern campus with the tradition of an established university.

The gracious sandstone buildings, parklands and lakes encompass world-class teaching and research facilities. These include Queensland's biggest multimedia library plus state-of-the-art laboratories and lecture theatres.

Students find everything they need on campus, including excellent sporting venues, shops, banks, a post office, restaurants and refectories.

Transport

UQ St Lucia can be reached by bus, CityCat ferry, bike and car from the surrounding suburbs and the city.

The Eleanor Schonell pedestrian and bus bridge links UQ to the southern suburbs.

Parking is in high demand and students are encouraged to consider other transport alternatives. Parking on campus costs from \$3.00 per day.

UQ
www.uq.edu.au

UQ Traffic and parking
www.uq.edu.au/parking
Phone +61 7 3365 1016

Public transport
www.transinfo.qld.gov.au
Phone +61 13 12 30

Distance and travelling time

Distance from UQ St Lucia to	Kilometres	Minutes drive
UQ Gatton	85	55
UQ Ipswich	43	45
Gold Coast	87	55
Sunshine Coast	105	75
Brisbane CBD	7	10

Business Management student Kirsti Creed in the Great Court, UQ St Lucia



UQ's expansive St Lucia campus



UQ Ipswich

UQ Ipswich offers students a unique learning environment, combining a tradition of quality education with a new and dynamic campus.

Only 45 minutes drive from UQ St Lucia, UQ Ipswich is the University's newest campus having opened for teaching in February 1999.

Students benefit from a purpose-designed teaching space utilising the latest technology in teaching, course delivery and research infrastructure. UQ Ipswich delivers a modern suite of tailored and relevant programs, equipping graduates for lasting careers in a variety of professions.

The campus boasts a wealth of dedicated, state-of-the-art learning facilities. These include Building 8, which merges traditional library and student services with innovative technology to advance learning and research. UQ Ipswich's student/computer ratio places it at the forefront of Australian tertiary education.

At this smaller campus, students enjoy greater access to teaching staff while teaching spaces enhance learning, with seminar and group learning rooms promoting personal interaction with staff and other students. Students enjoy a range of support, amenity, and recreational services, including a bookshop, cafés, a multipurpose court for playing tennis, basketball and netball, a sporting oval and a cardio-gymnasium.

Students also have access to a range of campus-specific scholarships and prizes to provide financial assistance with their study. These scholarships range from \$500 to \$5000 on an annual basis (see page 90).

A range of accommodation options is available for students wanting to live in the region (see page 23).



Students outside the award-winning UQ Ipswich Library



The multimedia computer laboratory at UQ Ipswich



The heritage-listed Building 4

Ipswich city

Home to 145,000 residents, Ipswich is known as Australia's heritage city and is part of one of the fastest-growing regions in Australia. Ipswich offers heritage trails, four-wheel-driving, bushwalking, canoeing, shopping and country markets.

In 2007, Ipswich won the international award for Liveable Communities for cities with a population of 75,000 to 200,000.

City facilities include an inner-city mall, art galleries, parks and gardens, a cultural centre, restaurants and coffee shops, supermarkets, banks, doctors' surgeries, hospitals, an IT-based public library, golf courses and showgrounds.

Transport

A University-operated bus service runs four times each weekday during semester from the St Lucia campus to UQ Ipswich, then UQ Gatton and return. Train and bus timetables for travel to the campus are

coordinated. Passengers can buy combined rail/bus tickets enabling travel on both Queensland Rail and the local bus service, which has a stop at the Ipswich campus. Parking on campus is available for \$1.30 per day.

UQ Ipswich
www.uq.edu.au/ipswich

Ipswich City Council
www.ipswich.qld.gov.au

Ipswich Tourism
www.ipswichtourism.com.au

Distance and travelling time

Distance from UQ Ipswich to	Kilometres	Minutes drive
UQ St Lucia	43	45
UQ Gatton	45	35
Gold Coast	95	60
Sunshine Coast	150	105
Brisbane CBD	50	40



CAMPUSES

UQ Gatton

UQ Gatton delivers excellence in agricultural and natural resource sciences.

UQ Gatton offers a relaxed, friendly atmosphere and students enjoy the benefits of being close to the major centres of Brisbane, Ipswich and Toowoomba. Just under an hour's drive west of Brisbane, the campus offers a unique blend of modern teaching facilities, state-of-the-art laboratories and historic buildings.

UQ Gatton students gain a more personalised education as part of a large university with international standing.

The campus is home to the \$33 million Centre for Advanced Animal Science and

operates commercial production units to support teaching, research and hands-on training. The programs offered in the areas of agribusiness and economics, agriculture and horticulture, animals and equine studies, environment, food, forestry, natural resources and veterinary science are internationally recognised as among the best of their types in Australia.

UQ Gatton students can take advantage of a range of medical, welfare, counselling and learning support services, and numerous sporting and recreational activities. Campus amenities include a post office, childcare centre, bookshops, cafés, banking facilities and a licensed club.

Gatton Shire

Gatton is a thriving town of 6000 people in the Lockyer Valley. It is just five kilometres from UQ Gatton and 90 kilometres west of Brisbane. Toowoomba, a city of 90,000 people and regional capital of the Darling Downs, is a 30-minute drive away.

The picturesque landscape includes rich farming land and tourist attractions.

The town offers many services and facilities. These include supermarkets and shops, accommodation, visitor's information centre, a hospital and other medical services,

a civic centre, restaurants, banks, public library, recreational facilities, a showground, golf course and football club.

Transport

During semester, the University-operated express bus service runs four times each weekday, from UQ St Lucia to UQ Ipswich, then UQ Gatton and return.

The campus is also serviced by express coaches running between Brisbane and Toowoomba, and a bus/rail service linking Gatton and Brisbane.

There is ample, free, on-campus parking for students all year.

UQ Gatton

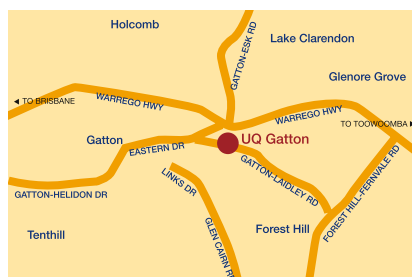
www.uq.edu.au/gatton

Gatton Shire

www.gatton.qld.gov.au

Distance and travelling time

Distance from UQ Gatton to	Kilometres	Minutes drive
UQ St Lucia	85	55
UQ Ipswich	45	35
Gold Coast	170	90
Toowoomba	40	30
Brisbane CBD	90	60



UQ Gatton students at the grain silos



UQ's comprehensive equine facilities



Foundation Building, UQ Gatton



Other teaching and research sites

UQ's facilities throughout Queensland include marine research stations at North Stradbroke Island, Heron Island and Low Isles; seismograph stations; numerous veterinary science teaching and research centres; the \$66 million UQ Centre for Clinical Research; and UQ Business School Downtown in Brisbane's Central Business District (CBD).

Herston

Herston, close to Brisbane's CBD, is the location of the Mayne Medical School and is UQ's major medical teaching and research location.

The University operates within the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, Royal Children's Hospital and Queensland Radium Institute.

School of Medicine
www.som.uq.edu.au/som

Herston map
www.uq.edu.au/maps/pdf/HerstonMap.pdf

Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital
www.health.qld.gov.au/rbwh/default.asp

Major research institutes

Although UQ supports a broad and comprehensive research profile, it also invests strategically in selected areas where it has developed critical mass and internationally recognised strengths.

UQ's existing research strengths have evolved into six internationally significant, interdisciplinary research institutes:

Australian Institute for Bioengineering and Nanotechnology (AIBN)

UQ's Australian Institute for Bioengineering and Nanotechnology (AIBN) is Australia's first fully integrated research institute to take a multidisciplinary approach to understanding and exploiting nanostructures, the genetic basis of cell activity, and opportunities at the interface between bioengineering and nanotechnology.

The \$70 million AIBN Building, which opened at the St Lucia campus in 2006, is Australia's first purpose-built facility for research combining the biological, chemical and physical sciences.

Diamantina Institute for Cancer, Immunology and Metabolic Medicine

The Diamantina Institute brings together clinicians, clinical researchers and scientists working on some of today's most important health problems, including cancer, vaccines against infectious disease and diabetes.



Dr Clare Underwood (left) and Dr Tim Silk in the Queensland Brain Institute

The Institute's goal is to develop a better understanding of the molecular and cellular basis of disease. It aims to translate that understanding into practical outcomes for patients, through design and testing of new prevention strategies and treatments.

Diamantina's achievements include a world-first vaccine to prevent cervical cancer.

Institute for Molecular Bioscience (IMB)

The IMB links leading-edge genomic discovery and bioinformatic facilities with state-of-the-art research to investigate human and animal biology, and to develop new pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, nanotechnologies and disease therapies.

The IMB is based at the \$105 million Queensland Biosciences Precinct at UQ St Lucia. The facility is the largest of its kind in Australia.

Institute for Social Science Research (ISSR)

UQ's goal of addressing important societal problems with world-class research was significantly advanced through the opening of the ISSR in 2007.

The Institute highlights the burgeoning research strengths in areas of contemporary social relevance of UQ's Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences.

Queensland Brain Institute (QBI)

The QBI is a world leader in discovering the cellular and molecular mechanisms underlying the ability of the adult brain to adapt to change by generating new nerve cells and forming new functional connections.

The \$63 million state-of-the-art QBI research facility at UQ's St Lucia campus houses about 250 scientists.

Sustainable Minerals Institute (SMI)

More and more, Australia's mining industry has to deal with the concept of responsible growth – growth that makes economic



The new \$66 million UQ Centre for Clinical Research

sense and is environmentally and socially responsible. Increasingly, the industry is turning to the SMI for new and unique ways of addressing these responsibilities. Part of the SMI's success stems from its research focus at an operational level, coming up with practical applications to bridge the gap between high-level ideas and coal-face implementation.

The SMI is located in the \$21 million Sir James Foots Building at the St Lucia campus.

AIBN
www.aibn.uq.edu.au

Diamantina
www.di.uq.edu.au

IMB
www.imb.uq.edu.au

ISSR
www.uq.edu.au/issr

QBI
www.qbi.uq.edu.au

SMI
www.smi.uq.edu.au

KEY FACILITIES

UQ's state-of-the-art Library, unsurpassed information technology support, superior teaching facilities and Student Centres are key to unlocking your learning potential.

Library

The award-winning UQ Library is the largest research library in Queensland, providing excellent facilities and services both online and in-person.

Library features include:

- > 14 branches covering UQ St Lucia, UQ Ipswich, UQ Gatton, the major teaching hospitals and the Dental School
- > millions of books, tens of thousands of print and electronic journals, eBooks and multimedia, and hundreds of networked databases, as well as an extensive online Quick Reference Collection, microfilm, manuscripts and pictorial materials
- > 24-hour-a-day access via the Library website to the Library's catalogue and online collections
- > long opening hours (up to 84 hours per week)
- > more than 1400 computers in eZones and throughout the Library for student use
- > facilities for laptops, including network ports, and laptops available for loan
- > photocopying and printing facilities
- > generous borrowing privileges (up to 14 items at a time)
- > assistance, tours and free information skills training classes to help students access and use Library resources, and
- > access to the UQconnect Wireless Network.

University Library

www.library.uq.edu.au
Email universitylibrarian@library.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3346 4312

Ask a Librarian

www.library.uq.edu.au/asklib

Information technology

UQ recognises IT is an integral part of study, and provides students with a range of IT and online services.

All UQ students are provided with a free UQconnect Internet account, which allows Internet access and email from on-campus or home via dial-up.

A range of other online services is available, including:

- > free national dial-up through UQconnect, UQ's own ISP. This allows dial-up access to the Internet from anywhere in Australia for the cost of a local call
- > free email with all students receiving an official UQ email address that can be accessed anywhere in the world via my.UQ (for more information on the my.UQ student portal, see below)
- > on-campus Internet access, available throughout all UQ campuses via one of the fastest information networks in the world. The UQconnect Wireless Network is also available at many common student areas
- > discounted Internet with students receiving significantly discounted rates for full service Internet accounts through UQconnect
- > discounted hardware and software for UQ students when purchasing computers through UQconnect Portable Computing
- > my.UQ, a personalised portal to online student services. This portal can be used to check email and personal student records, study resources and calendars



Bachelor of Communication student Brooke Cunningham (left) and Bachelor of Contemporary Studies student Vicky Souvanthong studying in the UQ Ipswich Library

- > mySI-net, a valuable resource enabling students to enrol in courses, and providing information such as lecture material, tutorial notes, discussion groups and class timetables
- > Ask I.T., providing free computing help and training for students
- > a HelpDesk providing telephone and online IT support seven days a week, and
- > UQ's Information Technology Services (ITS) provides the IT infrastructure at UQ, and one of the most advanced networks in Australia, connecting more than 18,000 on-campus computers.

Information Technology Services (ITS)
www.its.uq.edu.au

UQconnect
www.uqconnect.net
National Dial-up number 0198 307 170

Ask I.T.
http://askit.uq.edu.au
Email help@askit.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 8811

Teaching facilities

The University provides teaching space, teaching aids and facilities to suit a wide range of teaching styles.

The three major campuses include more than 180 teaching rooms. These range from collaborative teaching and learning spaces to seminar rooms and traditional lecture theatres. Computer laboratories, rooms and practical training areas cater for specialised needs. Large lecture theatres are fitted with a range of modern teaching technology tools. Video-conferencing is also available in selected rooms.

The University's innovative Collaborative Teaching and Learning Centres (CTLCC) add new dimensions to available teaching spaces at the St Lucia and Gatton campuses. The Centres are equipped with state-of-the-art audiovisual teaching equipment and consist of a series of spaces that allow for group work, teaching, photocopying, printing and recreation.

UQ anticipates and responds to student learning and research needs, producing positive graduate outcomes and providing the information infrastructure necessary for leading-edge research activities.

Facilities
www.uq.edu.au/facilities



First-year Engineering Learning Centre



Student Centre, UQ St Lucia

Student Centres

Student Centres on each UQ campus are the central locations for assistance with a range of administrative matters.

All students can visit a Student Centre, the one-stop-shop for all student matters and inquiries. If further specialist advice is needed, students will be directed to an appropriate area.

Student Centres provide information on international student issues, plus forms and service for:

- > admission procedures
- > enrolment procedures
- > examinations and assessment
- > fees
- > graduation
- > ID cards
- > mySI-net (online enrolment system)
- > prizes and scholarships
- > public transportation
- > short-term loans
- > traffic and parking, and
- > UQ Abroad.

Student Centres
www.uq.edu.au/student-centre



SUPPORT

UQ understands the extra support needed by international students far from home, family and friends. A range of services provides you with support while you settle in and throughout your stay.



A student enjoying the "O Week" activities

"Whether you need advice on financial matters, career paths, learning support or just someone to talk to, UQ's trained counsellors and advisors can listen to your concerns and help you find solutions."

LARA CAMPBELL, BACHELOR OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCES STUDENT



Getting Started and Orientation

Orientation for international students includes *Getting Started* sessions and a compulsory Orientation session, both of which take place before classes begin.

Getting Started

Students attend a *Getting Started* session within a few days of arrival. The session includes information on enrolling and obtaining student ID cards, "O Week" activities, banking, making contact with other students, and student concessions when using public transport.

Compulsory Orientation

The International Student Welcome is a compulsory session that provides students with an overview of services and support systems available to them during their studies, as well as information on UQ's special resources and facilities, and their legislative obligations in regards to their student visa.

Following the official welcome, separate Orientation sessions are held for full degree, and study abroad and exchange students. These sessions offer more specific information and advice on issues such as enrolment, the Library, learning assistance, and living, working and travelling in Australia.

"O Week" is a University-wide celebration for both international and domestic students who are beginning their studies at UQ. Held in the week before the start of Semesters 1 and 2, it is an excellent opportunity to meet people and make friends soon after arrival in Brisbane. There are special sessions for international students on finding part-time work, safety, families of international students (see page 89) and the Australian health system.

Other highlights include campus tours, advice and information about specific programs and courses and entertainment activities.

Getting Started

www.uq.edu.au/student-services

Orientation

www.uq.edu.au/orientation

Diversity

Cultural and religious diversity is highly-valued at UQ, which works to create a positive and respectful environment.

University policy condemns racism, prejudice or vilification on the bases of race, religion or ethnicity.

UQ's policies related to racism, discrimination, harassment and bullying, and the *Student Grievance Procedures* are available online via myAdvisor or on request from any Student Centre.

myAdvisor

www.uq.edu.au/myadvisor

Student Centre

www.uq.edu.au/student-centre

Personal safety

The University maintains high levels of personal safety for all students on campus.

Brisbane has long been considered a safe city that provides its residents with a laid-back and relaxed lifestyle. To uphold this reputation for safety and ensure the comfort of our students, UQ has developed the UniSafe program. Initiatives include two free services operating after dark. These are the UniSafe Escort service (UQ St Lucia, UQ Ipswich, UQ Gatton), where students and staff can ask to be accompanied while walking to on-campus locations; and a Safety Bus service (UQ St Lucia) linking main buildings, colleges, carparks and public transport stops.

Campuses are well-lit, have security call-points in strategic locations, and are patrolled 24-hours-a-day. An emergency phone number is effective all hours for an immediate security response.

UniSafe

www.uq.edu.au/unisafe

UQ Union

All international students have access to all services provided by the UQ Union (UQU).

The UQ Union organises a variety of activities and events to help students enjoy campus life (see page 19).

It aims to provide representation on University and educational bodies, and social welfare, recreational and commercial services.

Students have an opportunity to join any of the Union-affiliated clubs and societies, or can even start their own clubs (see page 19).

UQ Union

www.uqu.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3377 2200

Student Services

The University provides an integrated, professional service in several key support areas.

A range of free and confidential facilities is available to UQ students at each campus. In addition to an extensive program of group seminars and workshops, and online resources, Student Services offers the opportunity for individual sessions.

Student Services

www.uq.edu.au/student-services

International Student Advisors

International Student Advisors provide a range of services and cross-culturally sensitive assistance for international students from before arrival to departure, including spouse and family information (eg. childcare and schooling of dependants). Staff run the *Getting Started* sessions, and the Return Home sessions in students' final semester of study and can assist with issues of homesickness, culture shock and making the transition to a new country and culture. Information about the cost of living in Australia and how to manage on a limited income is also available.

Careers counselling

Careers counsellors prepare students for a successful transition from study to employment. Counsellors help students make informed decisions on careers and related program choices, consistent with their interests, values, skills, personality and abilities.



Fiona Brandis from the Student Centre helps Arts student Ravi Rao with his enquiry

Student counselling

Student counsellors are available to assist students with a wide range of issues, including dealing with crises, relationship problems, cross-cultural communication and adjusting to University life.

Disability support

The University is committed to accessibility in teaching, learning and the physical environment. Students with a disability should contact a Disability Advisor the year before they intend to commence studies at UQ. This allows the nature of the disability and the proposed program to be considered, and gives time for materials and other requirements to be prepared.

Disability Advisor

www.uq.edu.au/student-services (see Disability Program)
Phone +61 7 3365 1704

Learning assistance

Learning advisors help students understand academic expectations and assist them in developing and improving the skills needed to achieve to the best of their abilities in their university studies.

Academic and English language support

Each semester, all new international students are encouraged to attend the following free programs.

Academic Preparation Program (APP)

The APP runs across four days prior to Orientation (in each semester) and is designed to assist new international students, at both the undergraduate and postgraduate level, make the adjustment to Australian academic expectations. Students are

offered core and optional sessions on topics including writing, studying, library skills, research matters, examinations, note-taking, time management, reading effectively, referencing correctly, science writing and problem solving.

Student Services

www.uq.edu.au/student-services
Email relax@uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 1704

English for Specific Purposes: Academic Communication Skills (ESP: ACS) program and other English language support

The English for Specific Purposes: Academic Communication Skills (ESP: ACS) program is offered by UQ's Institute of Continuing & TESOL Education (ICTE-UQ) and is designed to assist new international students to further develop and practise their English language communication and academic skills over an intensive, three week period. The program includes an orientation to Australia session and allows students time to culturally adjust prior to the commencement of the semester. This program runs prior to "O Week" in each semester and is available to students who have been accepted into a UQ program and who already meet the minimum English language requirements. A registration form is available online.

ICTE-UQ offers a range of other courses for students who need extra help with English (see page 28).

ICTE-UQ

www.ict.e.uq.edu.au
www.ict.e.uq.edu.au/forms.htm (ESP: ACS registration)
Email tesol.enrol@ict.e.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 6565
Fax +61 7 3365 6599
CRICOS Provider Number 00091C

RECREATION

Your UQ experience can be both socially and academically rewarding, with access to the latest sport and fitness facilities as well as opportunities to enjoy stimulating cultural activities.

Sport and fitness

UQ SPORT is responsible for the wide range of sporting and recreational activities and first-class sporting facilities at UQ.

All international students are automatically members of UQ SPORT.

UQ SPORT manages the extensive sporting facilities at St Lucia including the swimming pool, running track, gymnasium, tennis courts and playing fields as well as facilities at Ipswich, Gatton and Herston. All facilities are open to students, staff and the general community.

At the start of each semester, UQ SPORT offers a range of short recreational courses in dance, holistic health, martial arts and sports-coaching. In addition, social sporting competitions and sporting events on campus such as triathlons, fun runs and the prestigious Great Court Race are also offered.

Professional instructors provide opportunities to experience adventure activities such as horse-riding, sea-kayaking, surfing and island discoveries.

Sporting facilities at UQ St Lucia include

an international-standard athletics centre; 21 flood-lit tennis courts; an Olympic-standard swimming pool; a beach volleyball court and three netball courts. The Sport and Fitness Centre houses a three-level gymnasium, cardio studio, group fitness classes, squash courts, martial arts gymnasium and indoor sports pavilion. Eight ovals cater for cricket, hockey, softball, ultimate disc and most football codes.

UQ Ipswich features a workout room with cardio equipment and free weights, a multi-purpose court and a large playing field. Facilities at UQ Gatton include a fully-equipped weights gymnasium, indoor basketball court, squash courts, tennis courts, cricket oval, and a rugby field. The Mayne Medical School has a range of cardio equipment and free weights.

Sporting scholarships are provided by UQ SPORT and the University to help athletes achieve sporting and academic goals.

UQ SPORT
www.uqsport.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 6612

“Whether you are a professional athlete or just want to keep fit and have a good time, the facilities here at UQ are amazing and cater for all levels. And it’s not just about sport, there’s also live music and cultural activities. With so much to do, you can’t not have fun.”

ANTHONY MARTIN, BACHELOR OF
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT STUDENT
AND UQ SPORT SCHOLARSHIP HOLDER



Students take a tour of The University of Queensland Art Museum.



“O” Week activities

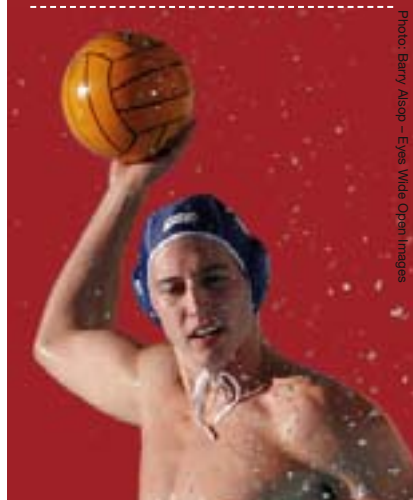


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Entertainment

On all three campuses, the UQ Union's Activities Area organises events to help students enjoy campus life.

Activities include theatre, dances, concerts, movies, debates, barbecues and Market Days.

Students can join any of the Union-affiliated clubs and societies, or can even start their own clubs (see below).

UQ Union

www.uqu.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3377 2200

Cultural activities

Students can stimulate their senses by taking part in the varied cultural pursuits available on-campus at UQ.

Music

The School of Music presents regular performances by students, staff and guest artists. Students can enjoy discounted or free concerts by The University of Queensland's orchestras, bands and choirs. Popular monthly Sunday morning concerts are held at Customs House, the University's city-based cultural and heritage centre. Special performances are also held at the UQ Centre at the St Lucia campus and the Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) at South Bank, Brisbane.

UQ School of Music Concert Diary

www.music.uq.edu.au
Concert Officer
Email concerts@uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 3503

Museums

The University is home to many significant museum collections, including the Anatomy Museum, Antiquities Museum, UQ Art Museum (The James and Mary Emelia Mayne Centre), Customs House Art Gallery, as well as the Fryer Memorial Library special collections and the Insect Collection.

Things to do

www.uq.edu.au/about/things-to-do

Student clubs and societies

Students can try different activities and participate in social events by joining clubs and societies at UQ.

Many clubs and societies have been formed by people with a wide range of interests, hobbies and backgrounds and contribute to the colour and diversity of UQ campus life.



Female finalists in the Great Court Race



UQ Tennis Centre



Ruth Collin and Amit Singh attend a lunch for first-year engineering students.



Enjoying "O Week", Ipswich campus

Clubs range from academic-based groups such as Women and the Law, to groups for international students such as the African Student Association and social interest groups such as the Electronic Artists Society.

Clubs and societies

www.uqunion.uq.edu.au
Email clubs.union@uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3377 2211

VITAL SERVICES

You will find many of the services you need for day-to-day living right on campus.

Healthcare

UQ provides a comprehensive health service to help students with medical or personal problems.

The University Health Service offers confidential consultations by appointment to all students. Most medical costs for international students provided by the University Health Service are covered by Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) (see page 88). More information about healthcare in Australia and OSHC will be provided during Orientation.

A dental clinic is located at UQ St Lucia and offers a student discount.

University Health Service
www.uq.edu.au/healthservice

Childcare

Students should contact an International Student Advisor for advice on childcare options.

Childcare, kindergarten and after-school facilities (all independently operated) are available to UQ students on or near all campuses. All centres have long waiting lists. Please note that no free childcare options are available. Centres may be contacted directly (refer to the table, right).

For students with school-aged children, see pages 88-89 for more information.

Childcare general inquiries
www.uq.edu.au/study/childcare
Email relax@uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 1704

Childcare centres

Centre	Age	Web/email	Phone
UQ St Lucia			
Campus Kindergarten	2.5 - 4 yrs	Web www.campuskindergarten.org.au Email campus.kindergarten@uq.edu.au	+61 7 3365 3894
Margaret Cribb Childcare Centre	2 mths - 5 yrs	Email margaret.cribb@uq.net.au	+61 7 3365 1509
Munro Centre	6 wks - 3 yrs	Email munrocentre@uqconnect.net	+61 7 3365 2840
Playhouse Childcare Centre	0 - 5 yrs	Web www.uqu.uq.edu.au/ businessservices/childcare Email playhouse@uq.edu.au	+61 7 3377 2231
UQ Ipswich			
360 Degrees After-School Care program, UQ Boilerhouse Community Engagement Centre	Grades 8 - 10	Email boilerhouse@uq.edu.au	+61 7 3381 1532
Ipswich Day Care Centre	15 mths - 5 yrs	Email ipswichdaycare@optusnet.com.au	+61 7 3812 3147
Ipswich Early Education Centre and Preschool	15 mths - 5 yrs		+61 7 3282 9300
Leichhardt - One Mile Community Child Care Centre	6 wks - 5 yrs		+61 7 3812 0824
North Ipswich Child Care Centre	6 wks - 5 yrs		+61 7 3281 0351
Raceview Community Early Childhood Centre	6 wks - 6 yrs	Email raceviewcecc@cofcqld.com.au	+61 7 3288 8772
Sunkids Children's Centre - Yamanto	6 wks - 5 yrs		+61 7 3288 0044
UQ Gatton			
Gatton Child Care Centre	6 wks - 12 yrs	Email hardiman@gatton.qld.gov.au	+61 7 5462 2946
Gatton Early Learning and Pre-school Centre	6 wks - 5 yrs	Email gattonlpc@peppermail.net.au	+61 7 5462 4455

The above table is not a comprehensive list of all childcare centres available.



Munro Centre staff and children



Bachelor of Nursing students Erilee Woodings (left) and Mark Hingst at the UQ Ipswich Library café

Worship and religion

Many faiths are practised and respected in Australia.

Brisbane has facilities and places of worship for Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Islamic, Jewish and other major faith groups. Chaplains from different faith communities within the UQ Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Service are available to assist students with pastoral care matters relating to their spiritual and academic life. More information is provided at the *Getting Started* session following arrival.

UQ Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Service

www.uq.edu.au/chaplaincy

UQ St Lucia phone +61 7 3365 6439

UQ Ipswich phone +61 7 3381 1463

UQ Gatton phone +61 7 5460 1146

Food, shopping and commercial services

On all UQ campuses, students will find a range of venues in which to eat, drink, meet friends and shop.

Food

Because Queensland is a thriving multicultural community, there is a wide variety of food from most parts of the world. If students have special cultural or religious dietary requirements, International Student Advisors can help them locate familiar types of food, including kosher and organic produce. In the *Getting Started* session, Muslim students will receive an information booklet outlining the grocery stores, butchers and restaurants in Southeast Queensland selling halal food.

There are three refectories (cafeterias) at UQ St Lucia, providing a variety of menus to suit all tastes. UQ St Lucia students also have access to six cafés, a noodle and sushi bar, an ice-creamery, juice bar, pizza caffè, sweets shop and the Red Room bar and bistro. The wide variety of foods available consist of light snacks, Asian noodles, vegetarian dishes, pizza, kebabs, burgers, BBQs, sushi, sandwiches, cakes and hot lunches.

The Main Refectory at UQ St Lucia uses only halal meat. A student bar, refectory and café operate at UQ Ipswich, Club Med Café at Herston, and a dining hall and café are also available at UQ Gatton to provide students with a variety of foods and menus.



Students taking a break at the Red Room



University Bookshop, St Lucia



Pharmacy at UQ St Lucia

Shopping and banking

UQ St Lucia has numerous shops, banks, automatic teller or banking machines (ATM), as well as a post office, optometrist, print shop, hairdresser, theatre and travel agent.

UQ Ipswich offers an ATM and a document-binding service.

At UQ Gatton, students have access to an ATM, bookshop and post office.

Banks

UQ St Lucia

ANZ

www.anz.com.au

Commonwealth Bank

www.commbank.com.au

Uni Credit Union Ltd

www.unicu.com.au

UQ Ipswich

The Bendigo Bank has an ATM on campus.

www.bendigobank.com.au/public

UQ Gatton

The Commonwealth Bank has an ATM on campus.

www.commbank.com.au

Bookshops

Many University schools issue lists of essential books and equipment. With care, students can minimise costs. For example, books suggested for reference only can be found in the University libraries.

Textbooks and other equipment such as laboratory coats can often be bought second-hand through the Secondhand Bookshop at UQ St Lucia or the UQ Gatton bookshop.

The bookshops at UQ St Lucia, UQ Gatton and UQ Ipswich stock new textbooks, stationery and other materials.

“The St Lucia campus is almost like a small town with everything you need such as shops, banks and cafés. All campuses provide vital everyday services such as health services and childcare, which make student life so much easier.”

NAUREEN ALAM,
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING STUDENT



The Herston Medical Bookshop is a specialist bookshop owned by the UQ Union catering for health professionals and students in all medical disciplines.

UQ bookshops

www.bookshop.uq.edu.au

UQ St Lucia phone +61 7 3365 8585

UQ Ipswich phone +61 7 3381 1240

UQ Gatton phone +61 7 5460 1451

Herston Medical Bookshop

Phone +61 7 3365 5275

Secondhand Bookshop

Phone +61 7 3377 2243

ACCOMMODATION

UQ can help you find a suitable place to live, and give you ongoing accommodation advice and assistance.

Airport reception and temporary accommodation

University representatives will meet all newly arrived enrolling international students at the domestic or international airports.

This service is only available to students commencing their first semesters, and bookings must be made five days in advance via the Accommodation Services website. Temporary accommodation can be arranged if required and Accommodation Services will help students find more permanent accommodation on arrival.

Accommodation Services
www.accommodation.uq.edu.au

Brisbane Airport
www.brisbaneairport.com.au

Airtrain
www.airtrain.com.au

Public transport
www.transinfo.qld.gov.au

Accommodation options

UQ St Lucia

Students attending UQ St Lucia can choose from on-campus residential colleges, off-campus student housing or rental houses and units.

On-campus residential colleges

More than 2350 students live on-campus in 10 residential colleges at UQ St Lucia. Colleges generally provide individual bedrooms (usually with shared bathrooms), meals, laundry facilities, and common social and recreation spaces. They may also offer academic tutorials, pastoral care and religious observance (in those founded by churches). Cromwell College (Campus Lodge) and International House provide self-catered accommodation for postgraduate and mature-aged students.

All colleges accept applications regardless of students' religious affiliations or views, although some give priority to students committed to the college ethos.

On-campus accommodation is in high demand. Students should apply directly to the appropriate college as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Application forms are available directly from colleges or via the Accommodation Services website. Applicants are advised to consider a second option in the event college accommodation is not available.

For details, refer to the table on page 24.

Off-campus student housing

Independent providers (not part of UQ) offer a variety of housing custom-built for students. Some follow a residential, college-style arrangement, while self-catering houses and unit complexes are also available. Applications for this style of housing should be submitted online directly to the provider. Contact Accommodation Services for advice.

Off-campus rental housing

Share houses and apartments are the most common form of student housing, allowing students to save on costs and develop friendships. Houses are generally shared by three or more students, with weekly rent ranging from about AUD\$80 to AUD\$150 per person. Apartments are usually smaller and are shared by two people. Weekly rent ranges from about AUD\$120 to AUD\$180 per person.

A UQ Rentals Online website lists vacant rental accommodation for UQ students (see page 23). However, it is strongly advised that rental housing only be arranged once students have arrived in Brisbane. Most students interested in rental accommodation will book airport reception and temporary accommodation (see left), then look for long-term rental housing during their first few days in Brisbane.

Please note:

- > houses and units (also called flats or apartments) are usually rented (leased) for six to 12-month periods
- > initial costs can be high – payment of two weeks rent in advance, plus a bond equivalent to four weeks rent
- > security deposits for gas, electricity and phone connections may be required
- > houses are generally rented unfurnished
- > furnished or part-furnished houses and apartments are available, but rent is higher, and
- > students must budget for food, household items and ongoing utility costs such as gas, electricity and telephone (see page 89).

Some colleges have their own gym facilities.



“Living on campus at a residential college has been a rewarding personal experience. I’ve made life-long friends from all over the world. If college life isn’t for you, then the University’s Accommodation Services can help you find affordable off-campus student housing.”

TOM LAWLER, BACHELOR OF COMMERCE/
BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS STUDENT



All colleges have their own dining facilities.



The Gatton Halls of Residence



St John's College

UQ Ipswich

Students studying at UQ Ipswich can live in student accommodation close to campus or rent houses or units in surrounding suburbs. On-campus residential college accommodation is not available.

Off-campus student housing

Two independent providers (not part of UQ) offer student accommodation adjacent to campus. One features a complex of five-bedroom, fully furnished, self-catering units where students rent a single bedroom and share facilities with four other flatmates. The other has single, study bedrooms with shared dining and recreational facilities. Students can choose from fully catered, partially catered or self catered options. A third independent provider (not part of UQ) offers students self-catering accommodation in an apartment complex located in central Ipswich, still within easy walking distance of campus. Students should apply online in advance. More information about off-campus student housing is available at the Accommodation Services website.

Off-campus rental housing

Please refer to the off-campus rental housing section for UQ St Lucia on opposite page 22.

UQ Gatton

Students at UQ Gatton can live on-campus, in off-campus student accommodation or in rental accommodation in townships nearby.

On-campus residential colleges

Three Halls of Residence accommodate up to 350 students at UQ Gatton and are non-denominational. The Halls provide a caring environment with academic support plus cultural, social and sporting activities. Senior students and staff help with study, social and personal welfare matters. Students have an excellent chance of obtaining on-campus accommodation but need to contact Hall staff to confirm places before arrival. Accommodation is offered on an academic year basis (excluding vacation periods) with fees due in advance. All meals are included; or senior students can elect to stay in one of the self-catered blocks. Please contact the Halls of Residence to apply.

For details, refer to the table on page 24.

On-campus houses

Accommodation Services manages a number of houses located at UQ Gatton. Students may apply either for a room in a fully furnished share house (facilities to be shared with up to three other students), a furnished house or an unfurnished house, subject to availability. Students should apply in advance by contacting Accommodation Services.

Off-campus rental housing

Please refer to the off-campus rental housing section for UQ St Lucia on page 22.

Accommodation Services

www.accommodation.uq.edu.au
Email info@accommodation.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 3419

UQ Rentals Online

www.uq.edu.au/rentalsonline

A UQ Accommodation Guide is available from the Student Recruitment Team

Email student.recruitment@uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3346 9649

ACCOMMODATION



Colleges offer catered accommodation during semester.

Residential colleges

More information on college fees is available online from Accommodation Services or directly from colleges.

Accommodation Services

www.accommodation.uq.edu.au
Email info@accommodation.uq.edu.au
Phone +61 7 3365 3419

College	Accommodation fees for 2008 (AUD\$)*
Men only	
Kings College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 270 Affiliation Uniting Church of Australia Meals 21/week Web www.kings.uq.edu.au Email kings.college@uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3871 9600 Fax +61 7 3871 9666 Application closing date none, however early applicants are advantaged	\$12,950 standard room \$14,280 shared ensuite room \$15,490 ensuite room (34 weeks)
St Leo's College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 173 Affiliation Roman Catholic Church Meals 21/week Web www.stleos.uq.edu.au Email enquiries@stleos.uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3878 0600 Fax +61 7 3878 0620 Application closing date October 31	\$12,860 (domestic) \$14,060 (international)
Women only	
Duchesne College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 153 Affiliation Roman Catholic Church Meals 21/week Web www.uq.edu.au/duchesne Email duchesne.college@uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3377 2333 Fax +61 7 3377 2314 Application closing date September 30	\$12,580 (34 weeks)
Grace College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 180 Affiliation Uniting and Presbyterian Churches Meals 21/week Web www.uq.edu.au/grace Email grace.college@uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3842 4000 Fax +61 7 3842 4180 Application closing date October 31	\$9240 standard room \$10,780 ensuite room (35 weeks including "O" Week)
Women's College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 189 Affiliation Independent Meals 21/week or self-catered Web www.uq.edu.au/womens Email womens.college@uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3377 4500 Fax +61 7 3870 9511 Application closing date September 26	\$11,922 undergraduate room \$13,777 postgraduate room (shared ensuite) (34 weeks)

College	Accommodation fees for 2008 (AUD\$)*
Men and women	
Cromwell College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 200 (College), catered; 48 (Campus Lodge), self-catered, for international students, senior undergraduates and postgraduates; 13 (Visitor Accommodation), for temporary, short-term, long-term stay Affiliation The Uniting Church of Australia Meals 21/week or self-catered Web www.cromwell.uq.edu.au Email stay@cromwell.uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3377 1300 Fax +61 7 3377 1499 Application closing date September 30 Application for catered accommodation may be lodged online	Standard room \$12,128 (35 weeks, catered) Self-catered \$5148-\$5876 per semester (26 weeks)
Emmanuel College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 340 Affiliation Uniting and Presbyterian Churches Meals 21/week Web www.emmanuel.uq.edu.au Email enquiries@emmanuel.uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3871 9100 Fax +61 7 3870 7183 Application closing date not applicable	\$13,950-\$16,500 (private phone and Internet connection included) (34 weeks)
Gatton Halls of Residence Campus Gatton No. of Residents 406 Affiliation Independent Meals 21/week or self-catered Web www.uq.edu.au/halls/ Email halls@uqg.uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 5460 1215 Fax +61 7 5460 1498 Application closing date One week prior to lectures commencing	Standard room \$7200 (32-week package) \$7700 (38-week package) Self-catered \$4972 (32-week package) \$5472 (38-week package)
International House Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 238 (38 postgraduate) Affiliation Independent Meals 21/week Web www.inthouse.uq.edu.au/ih Email ih@uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3721 2480 Fax +61 7 3721 2476 Application closing date none, however places are offered from November to January	Standard room \$12,300 (40 weeks catered) Self-catered \$10,800 (50 weeks)
St John's College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 263 (20 graduate flats) Affiliation Anglican Church Meals 21/week Web www.uq.edu.au/stjohns Email stjohns.college@uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3842 6600 Fax +61 7 3870 5124 Application closing date October 31	\$11,100 (36 weeks)
Union College Campus St Lucia No. of Residents 341 Affiliation Independent Meals 21/week Web www.uq.edu.au/union Email union.college@uq.edu.au Phone +61 7 3377 1500 Fax +61 7 3371 3826 Application closing date refer to website	\$12,350 (private phone and Internet connection included) (38 weeks)

*The fees listed are 2008 prices and should only be used as a guide. Fees for 2009 are likely to increase, and will be available towards the end of 2008. Additional mandatory expenses such as security deposits and student club fees have not been included. Please check with individual colleges for a comprehensive list of fees and payment schedule. Payment is required in advance. Fees, including GST, cover the occupancy duration as specified by each college. Fees usually cover only the 33-36-week academic period.