



Undergraduate Prospectus for International Students

2009

STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA





Engineering student Sharad Rajendran from India

The University of Queensland is an international leader in education and research.

Excellent teaching

UQ has received more national teaching awards than any other Australian university, and the University excels in international rankings.

Superior career prospects

UQ graduates enjoy better starting salaries.

Quality programs and leading research

UQ offers high-quality programs and is one of the top three Australian research universities.

Global reputation

UQ is a member of the prestigious Group of Eight (Go8) universities and the global *Universitas 21* alliance.

World-class facilities

UQ's stunning, well-equipped campuses and community lifestyle are internationally renowned.

Cover photo: Bachelor of Social Science student Purity Goj (Kenya) and Bachelor of Business student Emmanuel Chan (Hong Kong)

University facts and figures	
Students and staff	
Domestic students	30,823
International students	6957
Teaching and research staff	2366
Campus distance from Brisbane CBD	
UQ St Lucia	7 km
UQ Ipswich	50 km
UQ Gatton	85 km

Top 30 countries for international students to UQ	
1 People's Republic of China	16 Norway
2 Singapore	17 France
3 United States of America	18 United Kingdom
4 Malaysia	19 Papua New Guinea
5 Hong Kong	20 Saudi Arabia
6 Indonesia	21 Peru
7 India	22 Mexico
8 Vietnam	23 Philippines
9 Canada	24 Oman
10 Germany	25 Iran (Islamic Republic of)
11 Japan	26 Sweden
12 Taiwan	27 Brazil
13 Republic of Korea	28 Macao
14 Brunei Darussalam	29 Fiji
15 Thailand	30 South Africa

Academic Calendar 2009	
Semester 1	
Orientation	23-27 February
Semester 1 begins	2 March
Mid-semester break	13-17 April
Semester 1 resumes	20 April
Revision period	8-12 June
Examination period	15-27 June
Semester 1 ends	27 June
Mid-year break	27 June-26 July
Graduation week	20-24 July
Semester 2	
Mid-year Orientation	20-24 July
Semester 2 begins	27 July
Mid-semester break	28 September-4 October
Semester 2 resumes	5 October
Revision period	2-6 November
Examination period	7-21 November
Semester 2 ends	21 November
Graduation weeks	7-21 December
Summer Semester	
Summer Semester	30 November-January 2009
Public holidays	
New Year's Day	1 January
Australia Day	26 January
Good Friday	10 April
Easter Monday	13 April
Anzac Day	25 April
Labour Day	4 May
Queen's Birthday	8 June
Exhibition Day	12 August
Christmas Day	25 December
Boxing Day	26 December

WELCOME



THE UNIVERSITY
OF QUEENSLAND
AUSTRALIA



Vice-Chancellor Professor Paul Greenfield, AO talks with new students Cameron Turner and Bec Martens.

At The University of Queensland we offer an educational, cultural and social experience like no other.

As part of your UQ experience you will have access to Australia's most awarded teachers and world-class facilities and you can choose from one of the most comprehensive ranges of study programs in Australia.

University study should be one of the most rewarding and exciting times in your life. My advice to you is to choose a program that will stimulate your curiosity and place you on the path to a successful career.

UQ's bachelor programs provide the knowledge and skills for work in specialist areas and open up pathways to further study while our dual programs allow you to complete two degrees in less time than it would take to complete one degree and then study for a second.

By choosing to study at UQ – at St Lucia, Ipswich, Gatton, or one of our other locations – you will automatically be part of a vibrant multicultural community of more than 37,000 students, with almost 7000 international students enrolled from more than 120 countries.

Students graduating from UQ are in demand throughout Australia and the world and have some of the best employment rates and starting salaries in the country. UQ has a 99-year heritage and is constantly looking to build on its successes and improve your experience as a student.

I invite you to explore this prospectus and to make contact with our staff who are here to help you. I look forward to welcoming you to UQ in 2009.

Professor Paul Greenfield, AO
VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRESIDENT

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