Partner with UQ
Connecting industry with research innovation
A world-class research partner for industry

The University of Queensland (UQ) is one of Australia’s leading teaching and research universities. For more than a century, UQ has educated and worked with outstanding people to deliver knowledge leadership for a better world.

UQ ranks among the world’s top universities and, with a strong focus on teaching excellence, UQ has won more national teaching awards than any other Australian university.

UQ’s 307,000 graduates are an engaged network of global alumni spanning more than 170 countries, and include more than 15,800 PhDs. More than 56,000 current students, including some 20,000 postgraduate students and about 21,000 international students from 142 countries, study across UQ’s three campuses in south-east Queensland.

UQ’s six faculties, eight globally recognised research institutes and more than 100 research centres attract an interdisciplinary community of 1500 scientists, social scientists and engineers who champion research excellence and continue UQ’s tradition of research leadership. This is reflected in UQ being the number one recipient of Australian Research Council Fellowships and Awards nationally across all scheme years (452 awards worth $339 million).

UQ is also one of only three Australian members of the global Universitas 21; a founding member of the Group of Eight (Go8) universities; a member of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU); and one of only three Australian charter members of the global edX consortium for Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs).

Partnering with industry

UQ is actively seeking research partners on some of the many compelling technical, social, economic and environmental challenges impacting the world today. The University has a long history of successful research partnerships with local businesses, multinational corporations, governments, NGOs, not-for-profits, and other research organisations.

Ranked in the world’s top 50, UQ is one of Australia’s leading research and teaching institutions. We want to work with research partners in mutually beneficial collaborations to achieve world-class outcomes and create positive change.

Our research strengths

UQ is widely recognised as one of Australia’s most comprehensive universities.

Whether we’re testing high-speed aerodynamics, rethinking the way we process waste water or improving crop yields, our researchers have a reputation for finding creative solutions to challenging problems.

Successful research projects

We understand that research excellence means measurable benefit for business. UQ’s world-class research is both accessible and often an ideal complement to your own laboratory or research team.

UQ is recognised as a university that knows how to successfully tackle complex challenges, as demonstrated by our breakthrough BioClay technology; our ongoing innovation in coral reef mapping; and UQ’s international research successes in virology, agriculture and plant science.

Our researchers are experienced at working with diverse stakeholders to solve some of the world’s most challenging problems. Our research partnerships are known to involve organisations that range from local communities and businesses to international corporations, and all levels of government.

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UQ Research Partnerships
Word-class research infrastructure

UQ has a wide range of equipment and facilities available for use by qualified individuals looking to expand their research capabilities.

Comprehensive research infrastructure including (but not limited to) databases, laboratories, imaging and fabrication technology, microscopes and spectrometers are all available at UQ.

Multiple ways to work with us

Each research collaboration is individually tailored to suit the requirements of the partnership.

Whether you're seeking access to UQ expertise, infrastructure or education, our job is to help industry partners find the people and tools they need.

With multiple ways to access UQ research expertise, there's rarely been a better time to become a UQ research partner.

UQ FACULTIES & INSTITUTES

- Australian Institute for Bioengineering and Nanotechnology (AIBN)
- Institute for Molecular Bioscience (IMB)
- Institute for Social Science Research (ISSR)
- Queensland Brain Institute (QBI)
- Queensland Alliance for Agriculture and Food Innovation (QAAFI)
- Sustainable Minerals Institute (SMI)
- Faculty of Business Economics & Law (BEL)
- Faculty of Engineering Architecture & Information Technology (ITEE)
- Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences (HABS)
- Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS)
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Science

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ADVANCED RESEARCH PORTFOLIOS

- Defence, Space & National Security
- Digital Technology
- Transport & Logistics
- Climate Change & Environment
- Energy Transformation
- Food & Agriculture
- Health & Pharmaceuticals
- Manufacturing
- Brisbane 2032 Olympics & Paralympics

RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE

- Analytical & Environmental
- Biological resources
- Computation
- Crystallography
- Flow Cytometry
- Genomics
- Histology
- Humanities & Business
- Hypersonics
- Imaging
- Mass Spectrometry
- Materials & Fabrication
- Microscopy
- Microwave Engineering & Photonics
- Mining & minerals processing
- Nanofabrication
- Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
- Recombinant Products Services
- Research Stations
- Spectroscopy
Co-funded programs

Industry collaboration is at the heart of UQ’s research effort. We also have industry grant specialists to help researchers and partners add value to collaborative grant applications. We can help you uncover ways to support and fund the research collaboration you require through one or more industry schemes such as:

• ARC Linkage Projects
• Cooperative Research Centres
• NHMRC Development Grants
• Primary Industry Schemes
• Advance Queensland

Contracting

UQ has a dedicated unit that specialises in managing UQ expertise. Our key business offerings focus on four channels to market — science, engineering & IT, health, and social enterprise.

Consulting and Research Expertise (CoRE) liaises with external client organisations and takes responsibility for ensuring client projects are managed in a professional and efficient manner.

Designated staff project-manage critical milestones to achieve timely outcomes and ensure quality outputs.

CoRE projects often benefit industry through the creation of new standards and benchmarks or by providing government agencies with recommendations and reports, including:

• Consultancy and testing
• Expert witnesses

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Commercialisation and opportunities for investors

In partnership with UQ researchers, UniQuest creates impact through the commercialisation of UQ intellectual property (IP).

Established in 1984, UniQuest’s commercialisation track record positions UQ as the leader of research commercialisation in Australasia.

UQ leads Australia’s Group of Eight universities in commercialisation revenue received, the number of active start-ups and the value of equity held in start-ups formed from university IP*.

Notable successes include the blockbuster cervical cancer vaccine Gardasil® and start-up companies Spinifex Pharmaceuticals Inc and Inflazome Ltd, which were acquired in two of the largest university start-up exits in Australian history.

*2021 Survey of Commercialisation Outcomes from Public Research (SCOPR)

Connect with us

We welcome enquiries from business, government and community, exploring the possibilities and benefits of formal UQ research collaboration.

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