Study Abroad at QUT

BRISBANE
AUSTRALIA
Welcome to Brisbane
Life as a QUT student

Free shuttle buses run every 10 mins between campuses during semester.

283 DAYS OF SUNSHINE PER YEAR
(currentresults.com)
The ULTIMATE study abroad university

Choosing one or two semesters abroad in Brisbane at QUT will be life-changing. Are you ready to make lifelong friends, learn in a top-ranking university, and experience a new part of the world? You’ll be based in Brisbane, a modern city of more than two million people – the perfect place to call home while you explore Australia.

Brisbane is a warm, subtropical city with sunshine all year round. Not only is the weather warm, so are the people. Thousands of students come to Brisbane every year, and it’s not hard to work out why! Brisbane is a safe, affordable, and vibrant city with a diverse international population that offers a variety of food experiences and cultural activities. Brisbane has developed a well-earned ‘foodie’ reputation with dining options that cater to all tastes.

QUT is located right in the heart of the city, so getting to QUT is a breeze. Public transport is convenient, but so are the bicycles, scooters and walking tracks all around the city. There are plenty of reasonably priced student accommodation options within a few minutes’ walk of QUT.

QUT has a lively student cohort and you’ll be part of it from day one. Our welcome party for international study abroad students is the hottest ticket in town each semester and we’ve reserved one just for you. Sure, QUT is a world-ranked university and Brisbane is a fantastic city to live in, but it’s the people you’ll meet when you’re here at QUT that will be the foundation of lifelong memories of your study abroad experience.

I loved my time in Brisbane. It’s definitely a beautiful city close to beaches and nature.

I found that joining a new club during Orientation Week was very helpful to me settling in. I joined the Exchange Buddies club as well as the Dance Society. The Exchange Buddies club match you with an Australian student which can definitely be helpful during the first few weeks. They also do day trips on Saturdays where you get to meet other exchange students and even some Australians. The Dance Society have different classes every week and is open to all levels.

Ciara O’Rourke - Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
QUT’s study abroad program is considered one of the best, and it’s easy to see why.

**Flexible learning options**
QUT offers study abroad students the option to choose units from across faculties and study areas so that your learning interests and your home university requirements are met. We have package options available, but we’ll happily design a program of study to meet your needs.

**Your university facilities**
You will have access to high-tech study and collaborative learning spaces. Explore inspiring public spaces, and a vibrant campus environment that’s full of exciting opportunities. Both campuses also offer arts and performance venues, fitness facilities, shops, and food outlets. Oh, and did we mention that the botanical gardens are co-located with our Gardens Point campus – now you know where the name comes from.

**Support when you need it**
QUT has a dedicated study abroad and international student services team to assist you along your journey. From meeting you at the airport and finding a place to live, to health insurance and visa requirements, you’ll be guided the entire way.

The QUT Buddies Club – team up with a QUT student mentor to maximise your time in Brisbane.

QUT Global ambassador – a volunteer opportunity where you gain valuable experience and promote your home university to prospective outbound QUT exchange students.

**Real-world learning**
QUT is known as the university for the real world. Your course will be a blend of the latest theory and practical learning that leverages our strong connections with industry leaders.
The best decision you’ll ever make

Great events

Social clubs and sport

Gardens

Great transport options

Botanical gardens

Safe
Point campus

Fun excursions

Make new friends

Innovative facilities

Social scene
Your home away from home

We know there are many things you’ll need to organise for your study abroad experience. Our guaranteed accommodation service means your ‘home away from home’ is all set. Brisbane offers a wide range of accommodation options, including homestay with an Australian family, shared living, independent living, and purpose-built student accommodation near or on campus.

QUT’s Accommodation Service will provide you with information and advice to secure accommodation.

**Homestay**

QUT staff interview eligible local families who offer room and board to our students. Homestay costs between $285 and $315 each week, depending on how many meals are provided. This typically covers all utilities (water, gas, and electricity). Internet and phone contributions are extra.

**Purpose-built student accommodation**

Student residential apartment buildings offer individual bedrooms with some shared amenities. The rent usually includes a bed, study desk, some storage, and shared bathrooms, kitchens, and common rooms. The price ranges from $265 to $500 each week. Cost of utilities and internet are usually included, but please be sure to check this before you sign up. All student apartment complexes are centrally located and are close to transport or walking distance to campus. Many are less than five minutes’ walk from QUT.

**Managed share-house**

There are several Student Accommodation companies or Real Estate Agents that specialise in student share-house accommodation. This means a residential house is converted into separate fully-furnished, lockable bedrooms. Students share common areas such as the kitchen, bathroom and living areas. The price ranges from $165 to $300 each week and usually includes utilities and internet.

**Private share-house accommodation**

This option is similar to the managed share house but is more flexible with their operation. For example, they are often prepared to negotiate lease duration (less than six months) and sometimes are even prepared to negotiate the weekly rental rate. Utilities would not typically be included.
### Ongoing weekly expenses

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Cost</th>
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<td>Rent</td>
<td>$265 to $500</td>
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<td>Food</td>
<td>Depends on the property</td>
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<td>Transport</td>
<td>Depends on the property</td>
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<td>Electricity, internet, and telephone bills</td>
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<td>Printing and stationery</td>
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<td>Entertainment</td>
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All prices are to be used as a guide only and are accurate as of July 2020.

### Types of providers

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<th>Types of providers</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Estimated price range per week</th>
<th>Close to campuses</th>
<th>Private bathrooms</th>
<th>Included extras</th>
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<td>Purpose-built student accommodation (PBSA)</td>
<td>Student-only residential complexes</td>
<td>$265 to $500</td>
<td>Very close</td>
<td>Yes, depending on the type of room</td>
<td>Laundry, gym, swimming pool</td>
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<td>Agent-managed shared accommodation</td>
<td>Real estate agent managed properties (houses, apartments, etc.) for students only</td>
<td>$165 to $300</td>
<td>Depends on the property</td>
<td>Yes, depending on the type of room</td>
<td>Laundry</td>
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<td>Private rentals</td>
<td>Rental properties (houses, apartments, etc.) managed by homeowners or real estate agents.</td>
<td>$350 to $500</td>
<td>Depends on the property</td>
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<td>QUT homestays</td>
<td>Living with an Australian family</td>
<td>$285 to $315</td>
<td>Usually yes</td>
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<td>Laundry, meals</td>
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### For further information regarding accommodation please visit: [www.qut.edu.au/study/student-life/living-in-brisbane](http://www.qut.edu.au/study/student-life/living-in-brisbane)
We offer an exciting variety of units (subjects) across all our faculties. It’s important to be enrolled full-time, which means you will need to study at least 3 units per semester (36 credit points). Most QUT students’ study 4 units each semester (48 credit points), which is considered a standard load. Under special circumstances, you may be able to study 5 units in a semester (60 credit points). Let us help you tailor a program that suits your interest and meets the requirements of your home university.

**What you can study**

**Business**
- Accountancy
- Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations
- Business
- Economics and Finance
- Management
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Entrepreneurship

**Communication, Design and Creative Practice**
- Architecture
- Communication
- Creative Industries
- Creative Practice
- Creative Writing
- Dance
- Design
- Drama
- Entertainment and Arts Management
- Fashion
- Film, Screen and Animation
- Industrial Design
- Interaction Design
- Journalism
- Landscape Architecture
- Media and Communications
- Music
- Professional Writing
- Visual Arts
- Visual Communication

**Education**
- Education
- Early Childhood and Inclusive Education
- Primary
- Secondary

**Health and Community**
- Biomedical Sciences

**Law and Justice**
- Justice
- Law
- Policy and Governance

**Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics**
- Biology and Environmental Science
- Built Environment
- Data Analytics
- Chemistry and Physics
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Computer Science
- Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
- Games and Interactive Design
- Information Systems
- Mathematical Sciences
- Mechanical, Medical and Process Engineering

**Entry Requirements**

You must meet the academic and English language proficiency requirements to apply for our Study Abroad or Exchange program.

**You must:**
- Have a minimum GPA (grade point average) of 2.5 on a 4-point scale, or equivalent
- Have completed at least one year of full-time study at a recognised institution
- Be nominated by one of our partner institutions (exchange students only)

**Attach required documents**
- Passport (information page) which must be valid for at least six months after your study at QUT finishes
- Academic transcript (in English)
- English language proficiency test, or equivalent

**English language study options**

If you don’t meet the Study Abroad and Exchange minimum English language requirements you are welcome to study English language programs at our QUT College. There are separate costs associated with this.
What you need to know

Visa requirements
Use your eCoE (electronic Confirmation of Enrolment) to organise your Australian student visa online, through your closest overseas Australian embassy or consulate. Find more information about visa assessment processes via the Department of Home Affairs website: www.homeaffairs.gov.au

Health cover
We hope you don’t get sick but if you ever need medical attention, the Australian Government (The Department of Home Affairs) requires overseas international students to maintain Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the entire duration of their stay in Australia (dates required will be issued on offer letter). QUT can organise OSHC for you through our preferred provider, Medibank.

Welcome to Brisbane
No friend will leave you stranded at the airport and neither will we. QUT offers a free airport reception service for new international students. We will pick you up from the Brisbane airport and take you to your accommodation. Bookings required airport-reception.qut.edu.au

O Week
During Orientation Week, QUT’s campuses are buzzing with student clubs, food stalls, live entertainment, social activities, and development opportunities. There will be an important Study Abroad and Exchange Orientation Session in which we officially welcome you to QUT. In addition, QUT Global hosts a Welcome Party for all Study Abroad and Exchange students.

Academic calendar
The academic calendar in Australia might be different to what you are used to at your home university. Please take this into consideration when you apply to study at QUT. See the 2021 semester calendar below:

View the full QUT academic calendar at qut.edu.au/about/key-dates-and-academic-calendar