



Senior School Guidance Officer News

University Information

QTAC (Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre)

Any student wanting to go to University next year must complete a QTAC application. Please note all year students should have received a QTAC Guide at school. If not, guides are available through Y block reception. Please be aware applications open 3 August. Application details are on page 6 of your QTAC guide.

In addition, please find link below from the Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) with important information about applying for tertiary courses for current year 12 students.

[Year 12 PowerPoint Presentation](#) (see newsletter for attachment)

Important information

- Please read your QTAC Guide and use the website for a wealth of information
- Make sure you have the course prerequisites and the OP/Rank score to get in otherwise you will miss out! Use Diplomas (eg Griffith College/TAFE) as back up courses for preferences 5 or 6.
- Make sure you have a tax file number, if you don't already go to ato.gov.au to find out how to get one
- If you are applying to study Education you must submit a personal statement to demonstrate your suitability. Go to <http://www.qtac.edu.au/courses---institutions/initial-teacher-education> for more information
- Make sure the institution you are applying for allows deferring – please check
- Payment – use of a credit card will be easier. If you use BPAY you will receive an invoice which must then be paid. If you do not pay you will not get into any of your courses!
- NZ citizens need to check study assist website (www.studyassist.gov.au) for eligibility
- Course costs are on QTAC website: <http://www.qtac.edu.au/courses---institutions/course-costs>
- Check your email regularly as you only have 4 days to respond to each offer that comes through. You will receive an email and SMS so have no excuse not to respond.
- Be aware you can authorise someone else to access your application if required



- Do not apply for semester 2 courses – these will be harder to get into!
- Information for parents: <http://www.qtac.edu.au/for-parents>

SCU STAR Early Entry – Year 12 DIRECT ENTRY to UNIVERSITY

Please be aware applications for the SCU STAR program are now open!

SCU STAR enables Year 12 students to gain early admission to Southern Cross University on the basis of their school Principal's recommendation. STAR Early Entry matches an individual student to a particular Southern Cross University course based on their likelihood of success in their chosen discipline. Applications for current Year 12 students are now open for study in 2018. For more information, please go to scu.edu.au/STAR

2017 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – UNIVERSITY

Please use the following links to look at scholarship opportunities with information on application dates and how to apply.

GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY

<https://www.griffith.edu.au/scholarships>

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

<https://scholarships.uq.edu.au/>

SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY

<http://scu.edu.au/scholarships/>

QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

<https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/scholarships-and-prizes>

University OPEN DAYS 2017

Southern Cross University (Gold Coast Campus) – Sunday 13 AUGUST

Interstate University Applications

If you're planning to apply to university interstate, here is where you can apply. Make sure you keep an eye on the dates, as they differ from state to state. Most admissions centres allow you to change your preferences after the closing date, but make sure you know the rules (and fees) that apply in each state. Some have variable closing dates depending on the course you're applying to.

NSW & ACT: <http://www.uac.edu.au/>

Applications open 2 August; close 29 September

VIC: <http://www.vtac.edu.au/>

Applications open 7 August; close 28 September

QLD: <http://www.qtac.edu.au/>

Applications open 3 August; close 26 September

WA: <http://www.tisc.edu.au/>

Applications open 7 August; close 29 September



SA & NT: <http://www.satac.edu.au/>
Applications open 7 August; close 29 September

TAS: Direct to <http://www.utas.edu.au/>
Applications open 4 August; close 29 September

Bond University Application Process

We encourage you to lodge your application as soon as you have decided what you would like to study. There's no application fee – no obligation to accept a place if it is offered – it simply gives you another option when it comes to making a decision about your future. <https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/how-apply/application-process>

Griffith University: Branding and Promotion Entrepreneurship Seminar

Tuesday 15 August from 5:00pm-7:15pm

The series comprises ten seminars covering business topics relevant for 'start up' businesses and small to medium enterprises (SMEs). Held on Griffith University's Logan campus, the seminars are free of charge and everyone is welcome. As each seminar covers a specific independent topic it is not essential to attend the entire series.

<https://app.griffith.edu.au/events/event/51400>

Book an individual school holiday campus tour at Griffith University

Book a tour of our Nathan or Gold Coast campus during the school holidays to get a taste of life as a Griffith student. You'll learn about internships, exchange opportunities, admission pathways and scholarships and see our facilities first-hand. Please complete the registration form and nominate your preferred tour time with us two business days before your visit.

<https://www.griffith.edu.au/guidance-officers-teachers/book-an-individual-school-holiday-campus-tour>

QCAA Win an Apple MacBook Air

QCAA is offering Year 12 students the chance to win an Apple MacBook Air.

To enter the draw, simply log in to your learning account between 1 May and 31 August 2017. You'll need your 10-digit LUI (Learner Unique Identifier) and password to log in.

<https://studentconnect.qcaa.qld.edu.au/12851.html>

Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust Scholarships

The scholarships are worth between \$3000 and \$5000 per year and may continue for up to four years.

To be eligible to apply for AVCAT scholarship you must be the child or grandchild of a person with operational service (as defined by the legislation) or three or more years continuous full-time other service, as a member of the Australian Navy, Army or Air Force. You must be planning to enrol or be enrolled in tertiary education in Australia at an Australian university, TAFE or registered training organisation.

<http://www.avcat.org.au/scholarships/>

GC TAFE – DIRECT ENTRY – NOW OPEN

TAFE Queensland Gold Coast's Direct Entry gives Year 12 students the chance to secure a place early and guarantee entrance into a TAFE Diploma without using an OP or Rank score.

Submissions for 2017 Year 12 students are now **OPEN** and close online on Friday 18 August 2017. Please go to the following link to apply:



<http://tafegoldcoast.edu.au/study-with-us/school-students/direct-entry/>

Students are also encouraged to apply for a TAFE Queensland Scholarship. For further information or to apply for a Scholarship please visit: www.scholarships.tafeqld.edu.au.

TAFE at School Courses 2018

Any student wanting to complete a TAFE at schools program please be aware of the following courses. Application open Tuesday 1 August and close on the 27 November.

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