



Senior School Guidance Officer Report

Year 12 Options post school

For those students not interested in attending University next year please be aware of numerous other options for further training, education and employment.

Education and Training options:

Aurora: www.aurora.edu.au (Scholarship information attached)

Prestige: www.pst.edu.au (Information attached)

Ignite Education: <https://ignite.edu.au/contact-us/>

Gold Coast TAFE: <https://tafeqld.edu.au/>

SAE: www.sae.edu.au

Apprenticeships Central: www.apprenticeshipcentral.com.au

Employment support

Gen Z: www.genzemployment.com.au

Headspace: www.headspace.org.au/young-people/digital-work-study-program/

Mission Australia: www.missionaustralia.com.au/

VETEA: www.vetea.org.au

TURSA: www.tursa.com.au

Enterprise & Training Company LTD: www.etcltd.com.au

Career Support

My Future: myfuture.edu.au - Please sign up to use *myfuture* and click the check box to receive career-related information such as exploring courses, occupations, career pathways and open days.

Students are encouraged to visit the school Pathways centre in Y block for more details of courses/employment.

UQ College Best Foot Forward Program – Current Year 12

Please be aware of an exciting new opportunity for Year 12 leavers going to University in 2019. Students entering The University of Queensland in 2019 may be interested in the **Best Food Forward Program** (BFF).

This program has been designed and developed in response to research and actual data which indicated the following:




- Transitioning from High School to University can be challenging;
- Curriculum from University requires a new kind of engaging with a learner;
- Students often require timely access to support services at University;
- Students want to connect and build relationships.






It is clear that there is an established link between under-preparedness and attrition within the first year of study. The essence of the **Best Foot Forward Program** is simply aimed to prepare students before they commence their studies at The University of Queensland.

BFF Program is over 3 days at the beginning of February 2019 and is 4 hours per day at The University of Queensland's St Lucia Campus. The cost is \$100. To register and pay please contact UQ College on 3346 1695.

University Scholarships

	<p>Bond University's Scholarship Program encompasses a range of awards available to Australian students at an undergraduate and postgraduate level.</p> <p>Bond offers a number of full-fee and part-fee scholarships to the best and brightest applicants each semester and are designed to reward and encourage students who have excelled in the areas of academia, leadership, community and sporting.</p> <p>Scholarship applications for Year 12 Australian students will open on 1 June, 2018.</p> <p>For more information about Bond University's Scholarships, please visit https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/how-apply/scholarships</p>
	<p>Griffith and its partners provide more than \$40 million annually, to support students as they complete their degrees. Over 600 scholarships are available to new and continuing students whose success at University would benefit from direct financial support.</p> <p>For more information about Griffith University's Scholarships, please visit https://www.griffith.edu.au/scholarships</p>
	<p>QUT want you to succeed in your studies. Their scholarships can help you achieve your best through financial support, work experience and exciting networking opportunities.</p> <p>Find the scholarship that takes your success to the next level.</p> <p>For more information about QUT's Scholarships, please visit https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-</p>

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	<p>UQ offer a range of academic, research and excellence scholarships.</p> <p>For more information about UQ's Scholarships, please visit https://scholarships.uq.edu.au/</p>
 Southern Cross University	<p>Southern Cross University offers a range of scholarships for undergraduate (your first degree), postgraduate, Indigenous Australian students, international students as well as Equity scholarships. There are also scholarships available to help you study overseas for a short period as an international exchange student.</p> <p>For more information about Southern Cross University's Scholarships, please visit https://www.scu.edu.au/scholarships/</p> <p>Note: Students applying to study via UAC or QTAC are strongly encouraged to apply for a scholarship prior to receiving an offer. If you have Southern Cross University as your first preference you should apply for a scholarship because UAC and QTAC offers are sent after most scholarships have closed</p>
	<p>With many scholarships available in so many categories there is surely more than one for you to apply for. Scholarships, Writing Prizes and JCU Access Fund.</p> <p>Find out more - https://www.jcu.edu.au/scholarships-@-jcu</p>

Other Scholarship Opportunities

2019 Tugun Community Bank(r) Branch Scholarship Program.

As a result of the Youth Forum held in August, the Board identified a need to assist youth with financial and/or social challenges in our area who wish to further their education at University or TAFE in 2019.

There are 2 scholarships available for \$5,000 for each student, per year for up to 2 years, to help cover various costs of attending university or TAFE.



We invite you to share the attached information with your contacts and networks to help spread the word of this program. Applications open on 3 December 2018 and close on 29 January 2019.

Information on how to apply are in attachments.

Queensland Government – Aboriginal & TSI Scholarships

A wide range of scholarships in different fields of study.

Find out more - <https://www.qld.gov.au/atsi/education-training/other-scholarships>

Emergency Management Volunteer Scholarships

The Australian Government has established a million-dollar scholarship fund to equip volunteers with the skills and leadership required in the emergency and disaster management sector. Volunteers may be eligible for financial support to access accredited vocational and higher education qualifications in emergency and disaster management fields.

Round 5 – Applications open 7 Jan 2019 and close 4 Mar 2019

Applicants are required to register through the [online application portal](#).

Find out more - <https://www.aidr.org.au/programs/scholarships-for-volunteers/>



Bond University – Student for a Semester

Bond University's Student for a Semester program gives high achieving year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to gain an authentic university experience before they finish high school.

Applications for the January 2019 semester close Thursday, 6 December

Find out more - <https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/see-yourself/student-semester>

Other University Information



Introducing UCAT

Year 11 Students wanting to do Medicine or Dentistry at UQ in 2020 please be aware that the UMAT Admissions Test will be replaced by UCAT in 2019.

Beginning with current Year 11's, all applicants intending to sit the UMAT in 2019 for entry to university in 2020 will need to sit the new University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT). From 2019 onwards, the UMAT test will be discontinued.



UCAT will become a mandatory admissions test for the Doctor of Medicine (provisional entry) and Dental Science at The University of Queensland.

The registration for the UCAT will open in March 2019 and close in mid-May. The UCAT will be offered on a choice of dates throughout the month of July, rather than on one single date.

The test consists of five, separately timed, subtests:

- Verbal Reasoning
- Decision Making
- Quantitative Reasoning
- Abstract Reasoning
- Situational Judgement Test

For more information about the new test, including testing dates and format visit [UCAT online](#).

Preparing for UCAT

UCAT ANZ have a number of preparation materials available to assist students in preparing for the UCAT - these include:

- Practice examinations (timed)
- An online, interactive tutorial that teaches students how to approach questions and useful test strategies
- An incredibly detailed bank of example questions

We strongly encourage students to use the officially produced materials. Candidates should be aware that whilst there are many commercial companies publishing books and offering coaching for our tests, the UCAT ANZ Consortium does not work with any of these companies or endorse the use of their materials. Taking advantage of these opportunities can cost candidates a great deal of money and we would advise you to be sceptical about claims they can help you do well in the test by coaching.

You can find the official preparation materials [here](#).

QTAC – Using NSW or Victorian ATAR Calculators To Predict ATAR

From QTAC - It has come to our attention that some students are using NSW HSC and Victorian VCE ATAR calculators they have found online to help them choose their Senior subjects.

We strongly recommend students avoid using these or similar ATAR calculators because they cannot accurately predict a Queensland student's ATAR or how certain Queensland Senior subjects will scale. No one (including QTAC or university experts) is able to produce a calculator that can accurately predict Queensland ATARs to be awarded from 2020.

Students should choose subjects:

they enjoy

think they will achieve well in, and

that are subject prerequisites for tertiary courses that they will be seeking entry to.

We will provide subject scaling outcomes for students completing Year 12 in 2020 when this becomes available in December 2020. To assist students, schools can access information about the lowest ATARs that were awarded within each OP band for OPs awarded in 2016 and 2017 from our [ATAR page](#).



UCAT Medical School Test Prep – Free Question Bank

Receive access to Kaplan's UKCAT Question Bank for free! It provides 3 full-length practice tests and over 2500 test-like practice questions. Use this resource to explore UCAT questions and provide your students with a head start in preparation for this test.

[Access it here](#)

Open Days & Info Sessions

Legal Leaders Delegation

April 2019 | Geneva - Brussels - The Hague - UK

Dreaming of a career in law? Don't miss this incredible opportunity to experience life at top European law firms, universities like Oxford and Cambridge and more!

Visit <https://events.crimsoneducation.org/LLD/> for tour highlights and to download the comprehensive information booklet.

STEM Accelerators Tour

April 2019 | United States

Take your passion for STEM to a whole new level! Experience life and labs at the best US colleges like Stanford, UC Berkeley and UCLA as well as getting behind the scenes of Silicon Valley heavyweights like Facebook, Google and Apple.

Visit <https://events.crimsoneducation.org/STEM/> for tour highlights and to download the comprehensive information booklet.

SAE QANTM – Summer Series Workshops

Wednesday 23 – Friday 25 January 2019

[Brisbane](#)

Are you creatively inclined and thinking about studying creative media? We are offering an exclusive 3-Day workshop event in the January holidays – get behind the scenes and pursue your passion. This event is open to Year 10 and above.

Choose to study:

Animation Learn skills in traditional 2D Animation, 3D modelling and visual effects.

Audio Learn skills in studio production, electronic music production and live sound.

Design Learn skills in graphic design for print media, and digital design for web and mobile devices.

Film Learn skills in film pre-production, production and post-production techniques.

Games Learn skills in Games Design and Games Programming.

Find out more - <https://sae.edu.au/index.php/news-and-events/events/>

TAFE, VET & Apprenticeships

Pre-Apprenticeship Finder Tool

A pre-apprenticeship is entry level training which can provide a pathway into the industry of your choice. Generally, they are offered in the traditional trades industries, such as Carpentry, Electrical, Plumbing and Automotive.



Our Pre-apprenticeship Finder resource has a list of pre-apprenticeships being offered by providers which can be searched by industry and location.

Once in the finder, select your persona, location and click on the 'Pre-Apprenticeships' button. You can view specific start dates, contact details, potential costs and any eligibility requirements.

Start searching [here](#)

Find out more - <https://www.aapathways.com.au/job-hunting-for-australian-apprenticeships-and-tra/pre-apprenticeship-search>

Department of Housing and Public Works Apprenticeships

Department of Housing and Public Works are currently running a recruitment process for 20 trade-based apprenticeships across the state.

[Refrigeration Mechanical Apprenticeship](#)

[Carpentry Apprenticeships](#)

[Plumbing Apprenticeships](#)

[Painting Apprenticeships](#)

[Electrical Apprenticeship](#)

A Start in Life

A *Start in Life* provides support to disadvantaged students to promote educational progression and to help students overcome the educational barriers they face, so they can access the same learning opportunities as their peers.

A *Start in Life* provides support to students from the first year of primary school through to tertiary education. Our Student and Family Management team works in conjunction with parent/ carers, students and educators to set learning goals for each student, and develop a tailored plan of support that addresses the barriers they are facing to their education.

Families and students can request an application pack by contacting the Student and Family Management team on (02) 9264 3017.

Find out more - <http://www.astartinlife.org.au/index.php/are-we-right-for-you/>

Make your Summer Holidays count

Looking forward to some well-earned time off? Yep, us too.

When you've had enough of sleep-ins and The Couch, check out our post for some great ideas of things to keep you busy over the next couple of months. We've put together some of our favourite ways to make the most of your time off, so you can set yourself up for a fantastic 2019.

[READ THE ARTICLE HERE](#)