Queensland University of Technology BRISBANE AUSTRALIA



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a university for the real world

Exchange Guide

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Studying overseas can be the time of your life. You can explore the world and make new friends while learning more about your studies and about yourself.

Daniel Hou

I'm studying visual communications at the University of South Carolina, USA. Australia is one of the most beautiful countries in the world, and one of my professors recommended QUT as a Study Abroad destination. It's a stimulating environment, and a great place to develop my craft in photography and videography. I love the resources available to me at the university. From the computers to the renovated libraries, everything is so modern.

Getting around Brisbane and between the two campuses was easy once I discovered the free intercampus shuttle bus and the portable campus maps. And when I got lost, people were willing to lend me a hand and share their culture with me. Aussies are very down to earth and relatable. I like that.



Students from over 100 countries undertake Study Abroad or Exchange with us.

7000

Over 7000 international students study with us every year.

207

207 universities have chosen to partner with QUT for their students' Study Abroad or exchange experience.

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A real **experience**

Soak up the experience

We organise a weekend trip to Stradbroke Island, a river cruise and catch-up functions throughout the semester. You can also join one of 80 student clubs and participate in numerous cultural celebrations on campus.

Gain work experience as an ambassador

Gain work experience by volunteering in the International Student Mobility office and representing QUT upon returning to your home country.

Join our Buddy Club

The two things you'll remember most about your overseas adventure are the places you see and the people you meet – and we've got both covered. Our Buddy Club is a great way to know QUT, navigate Brisbane and make new friends. Your new 'buddies' will make your transition to life at QUT much easier.

Pre-approved subject packages

Choosing subjects is often the hardest part of planning your overseas adventure, but we've made it easier for you with our wide range of pre-approved subject packages. If you choose all your subjects from our preapproved packages, we can process your application faster.

Prepare for the workforce

We provide opportunities for you to build your skills through work experience, internships and the largest career mentor scheme of all Australian universities. We also provide career workshops, networking opportunities and career planning to prepare you for the workforce.

Learn English on campus

Our QUT International College (QUTIC) is based on campus and offers English language and academic pathway programs for international students who don't meet our direct entry requirements. QUTIC students have access to university facilities and, with a high level of student support, are better prepared to make the transition to university study.

Brisbane's inner-city university

Our campuses are located in the central business district, and are close to shopping, nightlife and cultural precincts.

With high-quality academic, recreational and support facilities, you will find QUT the perfect place to study.

- 24-hour computing laboratories
- art gallery
- automatic teller machines
- bookshops
- cafés and food outlets
- campus shops and newsagency
- childcare centres
- counselling and QUT medical centres
- exhibition spaces
- fitness centres and sporting facilities
- libraries
- licensed Guild bars: Botanic Bar and The Grove
- performance theatres
- student centres
- swimming pools.



Transport

QUT's campuses are well serviced by public transport, and Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove campuses are linked by a free shuttle bus.

Gardens Point campus boasts its own ferry stop and is a short walk from several cultural precincts, central city train stations and close to all city bus services. Kelvin Grove campus is conveniently linked to the city and suburbs by a dedicated public bus system.

Gardens Point campus

With almost 25 000 students, our Gardens Point campus enjoys a prime location in Brisbane's city centre, beside the Brisbane River, City Botanic Gardens and Parliament House—a position that reinforces our links with business, industry and government.

Kelvin Grove campus

Kelvin Grove campus, with almost 14 000 students, is situated two kilometres from the city centre. The campus is part of the Kelvin Grove Village, a master-planned community that brings together residential, educational, retail, health, recreational and business opportunities.

Discover Brisbane and

Brisbane is a perfect stepping stone to the wonders of Queensland and is only an hour away from beaches, bays and beautiful hinterland.

A gateway to **Oueensland**

With a population of approximately 2.12 million people and with 25 per cent of Brisbane residents born overseas, it's clear why Brisbane is regarded as Australia's new world city.

Queensland is a state of many contrasts - from tropical coasts and green rainforests to desert and sand country. It is home to many tourist destinations including the Great Barrier Reef, Cairns, the Gold Coast, the Whitsundays and the Sunshine Coast. All of these amazing locations are easily accessible from Brisbane. Sydney and Melbourne are one hour and two hours away respectively by air.



Australia



2.12 million population





Over 3000 cafes and restaurants



3 modes of public transport (train, bus and ferry)



Living in Brisbane

QUT is located in Brisbane, the capital of Queensland. Brisbane is renowned for its relaxed, outdoor lifestyle and offers a wide range of activities including sports, arts and entertainment, shopping, dining and great nightlife.

Accommodation

Brisbane offers a wide range of accommodation options including:

- homestay
- student hostels
- student apartment complexes
- boarding houses

share houses/units/apartments

We have a dedicated Accommodation Services team on campus to help you arrange temporary and permanent accommodation that suits you. The staff help with choosing the best location, finding a room, renting advice and much more.

Living costs

Brisbane is an affordable city but you still need to plan and budget carefully to make sure you have enough money for your living expenses. There are one-off expenses when establishing a home and other incidental expenses (e.g. textbooks, medical, clothing, recreation, entertainment) so it is advisable to budget extra for these costs. Some of these expenses will vary depending on your priorities, your lifestyle and your available budget. For more information on living costs, visit www.student.gut. edu.au/studying/student-life/living-inbrisbane/cost-of-living

\$350 to \$400

Ongoing weekly expenses

Including rent, food, transport, electicity, internet and phone bills, photocopying and stationery and entertainment

\$1700 to \$2000

Establishment costs

Accommodation (including bond), telephone, electricity, gas and internet connection, basic furniture and homewares, food and transport.

Student life

Studying overseas is a chance to meet new people, make lifelong friends and enjoy new experiences. It can be the most exciting time of your life.

Soak up the experience

Our Campus Life program provides opportunities for volunteering, getting involved in campus culture and developing your personal and professional skills with various projects. There are also regular social events organised by students such as dinner groups, international food stalls, the QUT Ball, QUT Dragon Boat Race and several festivals throughout the year. Visit www.student.qut.edu.au/studying/ student-life

The QUT Guild manages a variety of events including campus parties, live bands, market days and much more.

You can catch up with friends and relax at cafes or licensed bars on campus. Visit www.qutguild.com for more details.

The East West program also offers fun activities, including:

- · weekend trips
- · cultural celebrations
- weekly café lunches
- soccer matches
- language exchange program
- buddy schemes for academic and social support.

Join clubs and societies

There are more than 80 clubs including sporting, international, political, religious, faculty, recreational and special interest clubs. To see what is available visit www.qutguild.com

Keep fit

QUT Sport provides premier and social competitions as well as training and organisation for Australian University Games. Social sports include basketball, netball, volleyball, dodgeball, touch football and soccer. Visit www.unisport.com.au/qutsport Fitness and sporting facilities at Kelvin Grove include a fitness club and aquatic centre at Kelvin Grove Urban Village with a gymnasium, 25-metre pool and indoor sports stadium, and tennis courts and sports fields located on campus.

At Gardens Point campus students can enjoy the FINA-approved, 50-metre indoor swimming pool and gym with running track, weight training, cardio machines and group fitness studio.

Read other students stories

If you want to find out about life as a student, there's no better way than to hear from our current students on the QUT international student blog. You can also comment and ask questions. Visit the international student blog at blogs.qut.edu.au/internationalstudents



A wide range of **Subjects**

With over 600 subjects to choose from, you can gain a solid foundation in theory and practice to make you job ready from day one.

You can select any four subjects (units) from across all our faculties, so you can custom design your program to suit your interests and meet the requirements of your home university.

These are only some of the study areas that you can undertake. For the full list, visit www.qut.edu.au/study-abroad/subjects

Business

We are Australia's first triple internationally accredited business school – a distinction held by less than 1 per cent of business schools worldwide, which means that your QUT business course and lecturers are of the highest standard and that your degree will be recognised internationally.

Areas of study:

- Accountancy
- Advertising
- Economics
- Finance
- Human Resource Management
- International Business
- Management
- Marketing
- Public Relations

Creative industries

Studying at our Creative Industries Faculty means you will have access to facilities that include in stateof-the-art performance spaces, production studios, editing suites and design studios, and be taught at Australia's leading hub for the creative industries.

Areas of study:

- · Animation
- Architecture
- Creative Writing
- Dance
- Drama
- · Entertainment Industries
- Eashion
- Film, TV and New Media
 Production
- Industrial Design
- Interactive Visual Design
- Interior Design
- Journalism
- Landscape Architecture
- Media Communication
- Music
- Technical Production
- Visual Arts

Education

We are one of Australia's largest and most highly respected education study providers. Our teaching staff have extensive practical experience and our courses are updated with the latest curriculum, so you can learn from the best.

Areas of study:

- · Early Childhood
- Primary
- · Secondary

Law

Our Faculty of Law is one of Australia's largest law faculties, recognised for its focus on advancing the law and justice professions, and its specialised academic expertise and research. You will benefit from our high-quality Clayton Utz Law Library, expert librarians and Law Moot Court facilities.

Areas of study:

- Law
- Justice

Australia's first **business school** with triple international accreditation



Sara Olsen

I'm studying information technology at my home university, the IT University of Copenhagen. I chose QUT because I could choose the courses I wanted and because QUT is a innovative university.

My favourite subject is Information Systems Development - my lecturer was great, and I can easily see how I can use what I've learned in the future.

Science and Engineering

Our Science and Engineering Faculty delivers a range of programs across information technology, engineering, built environment and the sciences. We have strong links with global companies including BMW, Microsoft, SAP and Oracle, and you can benefit from state-of-the-art laboratories, modern teaching facilities and social learning spaces.

Areas of study:

- Aerospace Avionics
- · Cell and Molecular Biosciences
- · Chemistry
- · Civil Engineering and
- Construction Management
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Information Systems
- Information Technology
- · Mathematical Sciences
- · Mechanical Engineering
- Pharmacy
- Physics
- Property Economics
- Urban and Regional Planning

Health

Our Faculty of Health contains the QUT Health Clinics which are located on campus and offer training with accredited clinicians using industryquality equipment in areas such as optometry, podiatry, psychology, counselling and wound healing. Nursing students also have access to world-class laboratories and clinical practice facilities in the Clinical Simulation Learning Centre, so you can apply what you're learning in real time.

Areas of study:

- Human Movement Studies
- · Medical Sciences
- · Nursing and Midwifery
- Optometry
- · Psychology and Counselling
- Public Health
- Social Work and Human Services

Other study areas

If you don't recognise any study areas above that fit with your current degree, it still may be possible to study abroad with QUT. We offer liberal arts subjects such as Imagining the Americas: Contemporary American Literature and Culture, Colonialism and Independence in Asia-Pacific and Psychology and Gender, and Video Art and Culture.

Research

Our research covers a diverse range of areas, with our internationally renowned researchers providing practical solutions to address issues and concerns facing industry. You may be able to undertake one or two semesters of research with QUT, subject to eligibility and supervisor availability.

Real Support

We can help you with everything from the application process, enrolment, class information, and any support you may need while you are here.

Your tailored introduction

Your tailored orientation session can help you get started at QUT. It includes topics such as enrolment, computing access, faculty information, immigration regulations, health cover, QUT rules and regulations, tuition fees and refunds, choosing and changing units and more.

Airport pick-up

This free service is available to all Study Abroad and Exchange students commencing study at QUT and who are going directly to their pre-arranged accommodation in Brisbane.

Help finding accommodation

We can help you arrange temporary accommodation before you arrive, as well as find permanent accommodation once you're here. We can also help you liaise with landlords and real estate agents.

Language and learning help

We have language and learning advisers who help you with assessments and studying by providing services and workshops.

Counselling services

Professional counselling services are available to help you deal with issues relating to stress, personal development, relationships, study effectiveness, finances, courses and careers, and university procedures.

Social activities

Explore iconic destinations including Byron Bay, Stradbroke Island, Springbrook National Park and more with one of our budget-friendly short trips and activities throughout the year.

Am leligible?

What's the difference between Study Abroad and Exchange?

You will be a Study Abroad student if your home university does not have an exchange agreement with QUT. QUT tuition fees apply – visit www. qut.edu.au/study-abroad for details.

You will be an Exchange student if you are enrolled at one of QUT's international exchange partners, and are nominated by your home university. You pay tuition fees to your home university only – QUT tuition fees do not apply.

Entry requirements

- Minimum one year full-time study at a recognised university (high school graduates from some countries may meet the entry requirements)
- A GPA (grade point average) of 2.5 or better (on a 4-point scale) or equivalent
- An English language proficiency level in accordance with QUT requirements if English is not your first language – visit www.qut.edu.au/international/ study-abroad-and-exchange/ applying/study-abroad/entryrequirements

Overseas Student Health Cover

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) is a health insurance policy to cover medical and hospital care costs that you may need while in Australia, and is an Australian Government requirement. Students need to arrange suitable OSHC before arriving in Australia so that they are covered from the time they arrive. Find out more about OSHC at www.health.gov.au

How to **apply**

Select your unit (subject) preferences

Search for units at www.qut.edu.au/ study-abroad/subjects. Ensure that the academic adviser at your home institution approves your proposed study program for easy credit transfer.

2 Complete the application form

Complete the application form at www.qut.edu.au/study-abroad/form and attach official copies of:

- Your most recent official academic transcript from your home university. Please include an English translation if necessary.
- English language proficiency (if English is not your first language).
- Unit outlines of your current study, in English, if choosing units with pre-requisites at QUT.

3 Submit your application

Email your application to stae@qut.edu.au

Deadline for application

Semester 1 (February–June) 1 November each year

Semester 2 (July–November) 1 April each year

Accept your offer

Successful applicants will receive an email from QUT including the 'Acceptance of Offer' form. This must be completed and returned via email to stae@qut.edu.au. Study Abroad students must also pay their tuition fees at this time. All students must pay their Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) fees at this time.

5 Enrolment confirmation and visa application

We will email you Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) when we have received your offer of acceptance and have received payment of fees. This confirms your program at QUT and enables you to apply for your Australian visa.

We have Study Abroad and exchange partners and approved agents appointed worldwide to assist with preparing applications, obtaining your student visa and more. Visit your home university's Study Abroad or Exchange office for more details about studying abroad with QUT. You can also find a list of approved agents at www.qut.edu.au/international/qutin-your-country



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