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International Students' Quick Guide

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The CQUniversity advantage

CQUniversity Australia is one of the nation's fastest growing and most inclusive universities, ranked among the world's best¹. We offer globally recognised degrees, hands-on research and strong industry links that translate into excellent graduate outcomes.

International students value our supportive learning environment, practical industry connections, and excellent student experience—reflected in strong ComparED 2023 results for student support, skills development and employment outcomes.

With campuses across vibrant regional and city locations, CQUniversity offers a unique chance to experience life in Australia while gaining a globally valued education.

At CQUniversity we believe higher education is for everybody, making education accessible so you can be—with COU.

We're so confident in our graduate success that if you graduate and don't land a job in your field of study after six months, we will support your continued learning with a Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Entrepreneurship for free.

cqu.edu.au/graduateguarantee



#1 for postgradute full-time employment.²



5-STARS

in employability, global engagement, teaching, facilities, research, social impact, and diversity, equity and inclusion.³



INTERNSHIPS

and placements in our most popular courses.

SCHOLARSHIPS

for recognition, support and opportunities.



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SALARIES

above the national average.⁴

33 000+

total students

5200+

international students from over 50 countries

140 000+

CQUniversity alumni

300+

partners around the world from over 50 countries

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of the best student cities in the world are in Australia. QS Best Student Cities 2025.



Townsville

Mackav

Rockhampton Gladstone Bundaberg

(#25) Brisbane



Melbourne (#5)

QS World University Rankings 2025.

- Longitudinal 2023
- ³ QS Stars Rating System 2025.
 ⁴ QILT Graduate Outcomes Survey 2023.



OUTSTANDING GRADUATE OUTCOMES

Positive graduate outcomes are our top priority at CQUniversity. Our industry-relevant, work-integrated curriculum has earned us a place among the world's top 500 universities.⁵

Our graduates consistently impress employers ranking #1 in Australia for employer satisfaction in collaborative skills and #4 for foundation and technical skills.⁶

COURSE FEES THAT SET US APART

Benefit from our affordable courses. Our undergraduate and postgraduate fees are 6 per cent and 12 per cent lower than the Australian average.⁷

10 CAMPUSES AUSTRALIA-WIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Enjoy our campuses in some of Australia's best student cities.⁸

FLEXIBLE START OPTIONS

Begin in March, July or November—choose the intake that fits your schedule.

100+ COURSES AND SUBJECTS

Graduate job ready with relevant industry knowledge and study with confidence at a university globally ranked in seven subject areas.⁹

STUDENT SATISFACTION

Study at a university renowned for above sector satisfaction in living and learning experience, support, overall happiness and career goal preparation.¹⁰

cqu.edu.au/internationalreputation

STUDENT SUPPORT

We offer a strong network of student services to support your academic, career and personal wellbeing—from arrival to graduation. You'll also have access to advice, resources and real-time updates through MyCQU, plus the chance to connect with our friendly Student Ambassadors and hear what it's like to live and study in Australia.

cqu.edu.au/int-student-ambassador

SCHOLARSHIPS

At CQUniversity, we define ourselves by who we embrace, rather than who we exclude. A scholarship or award rewards successful applicants and can help manage the cost of study. CQU funds approximately A\$20 million in scholarships each year to provide greater access to quality education and increased opportunity for success.

cqu.edu.au/internationalscholarships



Students tell us our courses are **good value** for money.

Well above Australian university average, International Student Barometer 2023.

'Receiving the Australia Awards Scholarship is an incredible opportunity that symbolises personal growth and a chance to contribute meaningfully to my community through impactful initiatives. It means access to world-class education, empowering me with the skills and knowledge to tackle pressing challenges.'

Kurnia Wijiastuti | Indonesia Master of Public Health

- ⁵ QS World University Rankings: Graduate Employability Rankings 2022.
- QILT Employer Satisfaction Survey 2023.
 ⁷ Studymove Comparative Analysis of International Tuition Fees in Australia 2024.
- ⁸ QS Best Student Cities 2025.
- ⁹ Times Higher Education World University Rankings by subject 2024.

¹⁰ International Student Barometer (ISB) 2023.

Course summary

ENGLISH COURSES

Courses	Description	Availability
ENGLISH LANGUAGE		
English for Academic Purposes 1 (EAP 1) CRICOS Code: 069709D	Designed to prepare you for entry to certificate or diploma courses, or for further EAP studies, providing an introduction to academic English whilst continuing to develop your general language skills.	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney
English for Academic Purposes 2 (EAP 2) CRICOS Code: 017006K	Designed to develop your English skills to the level required for university study and entry into undergraduate and postgraduate courses requiring the equivalent of IELTS 6.0 English language proficiency.	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney
English for Academic Purposes 3 (EAP 3) CRICOS Code: 091931C	Designed to develop your English skills to the level required for university study and entry into undergraduate and postgraduate courses requiring the equivalent of IELTS 6.5 English language proficiency.	Brisbane, Melbourne

Each course has multiple intakes per year, check cqu.edu.au/cquenglish for starting dates and fees.

UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE COURSES

Courses	Code	Full-time duration	Availability	Intake
ALLIED HEALTH				
Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science (Honours)	CL10	4	Rockhampton	T1
Bachelor of Medical Science	CG93	3	Bundaberg, Rockhampton	T1
Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)	CB84	4	Bundaberg, Rockhampton	T1
Bachelor of Oral Health	CB29	3	Rockhampton	T1
Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours)	CB85	4	Bundaberg, Rockhampton	T1
Bachelor of Podiatry (Honours)	CB86	4	Rockhampton	T1
Bachelor of Science (Chiropractic)	CB77	3	Brisbane	T1
Bachelor of Speech Pathology (Honours)	CB87	4	Rockhampton	T1
Master of Clinical Chiropractic	CC71	2	Brisbane	T1
Master of Laboratory Medicine	CM18	2	Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney	T1 T2
Master of Medical Ultrasound	CM53	1	Online^	Anytime
BUSINESS AND ACCOUNTING				
Bachelor of Accounting	CQ01	3	Melbourne, Sydney*, Online	T1, T2, T3
Bachelor of Accounting/Bachelor of Business	CQ91	4	Melbourne, Sydney*, Online	T1, T2, T3
Bachelor of Business (Specialisation)	CL86	3	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney*, Online	T1, T2, T3
Diploma of Business Studies	CL87	1	Brisbane*, Melbourne, Sydney*, Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Certificate in Business Administration	CC51	0.5	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Certificate in Business Administration (Leadership)	CM08	0.5	Online^	Anytime
Graduate Certificate in Management	CH76	0.5	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting	CC38	0.5	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Certificate in Project Management	CC33	0.5	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Certificate in Social Innovation Leadership	CV88	0.5	Online^	Anytime
Graduate Diploma of Business Administration	CC52	1	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Diploma of Business Administration (Leadership)	CM07	0.7	Online^	Anytime
Graduate Diploma of Human Resource Management	CC67	1	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Diploma of Professional Accounting	CC35	1	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Diploma of Project Management	CV81	1	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Master of Business Administration	CL20	1.5	Online	T1, T2
Master of Business Administration (Global)	CL97	2	Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2
Master of Business Administration (Leadership)	CL39	1.5	Online^	Anytime
Master of Business Management	CL21	2	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Master of Management for Engineers	CC74	2	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Master of Professional Accounting	CC57	2	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Master of Professional Accounting Accelerated	CM47	1.5	Online	T1, T2
Master of Project Management	CV84	2	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3

Courses	Code	Full-time duration	Availability	Intake
CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS				
Bachelor of Music	CG51	3	Mackay	T1, T2
Bachelor of Theatre	CG72	3	Mackay	T1, T2
Diploma of Music	CC41	1	Mackay	T1, T2
DIGITAL MEDIA, COMMUNICATIONS AND ARTS				
Associate Degree of Digital Media	CC26	2	Online	T1, T2
Bachelor of Digital Media	CC24	3	Online	T1, T2
Diploma of Digital Media	CC25	1	Brisbane, Online	T1, T2
EDUCATION AND TEACHING				
Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood)	CC14	4	Bundaberg, Mackay, Rockhampton	T1, T2
Bachelor of Education (Primary)	CC12	4	Bundaberg, Mackay, Rockhampton	T1, T2
Graduate Certificate in Educational Leadership	CM21	0.5	Online^	Anytime
Graduate Certificate in Educational Neuroscience	CM11	0.5	Online^	Anytime
Graduate Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care	CM79	1	Online	T1, T2
Master of Educational Leadership	CM20	1	Online^	Anytime
Master of Educational Neuroscience	CL85	1	Online^	Anytime
ENGINEERING, BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND AVIATION				
Associate Degree of Engineering	CC02	PT 4	Online	T1, T2
Bachelor of Aviation (Airline and Airport Operations)	CL09	3	Cairns, Online	T1, T2
Bachelor of Aviation (Commercial Pilot)	CL29	3	Cairns	T1
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)	CC31	4	Cairns	T1
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) and Diploma of Professional Practice (Co-op Engineering)	CC32	4.5	Cairns	T1
Bachelor of Engineering Technology	CG21	3	Brisbane, Cairns*, Online	T1, T2
Graduate Certificate in Asset and Maintenance Management	CC19	1	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Diploma of Asset and Maintenance Management	CC20	2	Online	T1, T2
Master of Asset and Maintenance Management	CC18	PT 3	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Diploma of Construction Management	CL83	1	Brisbane, Sydney*	T1, T2, T3
Master of Construction Management	CL82	2	Brisbane, Sydney	T1, T2, T3
Master of Engineering	CV82	2	Melbourne, Rockhampton*	T1, T2, T3
INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY				
Associate Degree of Information Technology	CA99	2	Brisbane, Cairns, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Bachelor of Information Technology	CQ18	3	Brisbane, Cairns, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Online	
Bachelor of Information Technology (Co-op)	CG99	3	Brisbane, Cairns, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Diploma of Information and Communications Technology	CG36	1	Brisbane, Cairns, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Online	
Graduate Certificate in Information Technology	CC28	0.5	Brisbane, Melbourne, Rockhampton*, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Diploma of Information Technology	CC46	1	Brisbane, Melbourne, Rockhampton*, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Master of Information Systems	CC53	2	Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
Master of Information Technology	CC54	2	Brisbane, Melbourne, Rockhampton*, Sydney, Online	T1, T2, T3
NURSING AND HEALTH				
Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Sciences	CG85	3	Cairns, Rockhampton	T1, T2
Bachelor of Public Health	CL91	3	Melbourne	T1, T2
Bachelor of Nursing	CL91	3	Brisbane	T1, T2
Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing	CL16	1	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Certificate in Mental Health Nursing	CL56	PT 1	Online^	Anytime
Graduate Certificate in Public Health	CL46	0.5	Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2
Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing	CC69	1	Online^	Anytime
Graduate Diploma of Public Health Master of Clinical Nursing	CL44	1 DT 2	Melbourne, Sydney, Online	T1, T2
	CL22	PT 3	Online	T1
Master of Mental Health Nursing	CL24	1.5	Online^	Anytime

Courses	Code	Full-time duration	Availability	Intake
PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK				
Bachelor of Psychological Science	CC43	3	Rockhampton	T1, T2
Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours)	CC42	1	Online	T1, T2
Bachelor of Science (Psychology)	CF59	3	Rockhampton	T1, T2
Graduate Certificate in Positive Psychology	CH84	0.5	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Diploma of Positive Psychology	CL19	1	Online	T1, T2
Master of Applied Positive Psychology	CL41	2	Online	T1
Master of Social Work (Qualifying)	CL90	2	Sydney	T1, T2
SAFETY SCIENCES				
Associate Degree of Occupational Health and Safety	CG48	2	Online	T1, T2
Bachelor of Occupational Health and Safety	CQ26	3	Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Certificate in Emergency and Disaster Management	CC27	PT 1	Online	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Certificate in Fatigue Risk Management	CC78	PT 1	Online	T1, T2
Graduate Diploma of Emergency and Disaster Management	CM39	PT 2	Online	T1
Graduate Diploma of Occupational Health and Safety	CC77	1	Online	T1, T2
Master of Emergency and Disaster Management	CM52	PT 3	Online	T1
SCIENCE, ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE				
Bachelor of Agriculture	CV85	3	Rockhampton	T1, T2
Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Development	CM84	0.5	Melbourne	T1, T2, T3
Graduate Diploma of Sustainable Development	CM83	1	Melbourne	T1, T2, T3
Master of Sustainable Development	CM82	2	Melbourne	T1, T2, T3
RESEARCH DEGREES				
Graduate Certificate in Research	CL58	0.5	Adelaide, Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, Mackay, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Townsville	Anytime
Master of Research	CL80	2	Adelaide, Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, Mackay, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Townsville	T1, T2
Master of Research (Offshore)	CD85	2	Online	Anytime
Doctor of Education	CQ16	4	Adelaide, Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, Mackay, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Townsville	Anytime
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	CL81	4	Adelaide, Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, Mackay, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Townsville	T1, T2
Doctor of Philosophy (Industry)	CM33	4	Adelaide, Brisbane, Bundaberg, Cairns, Gladstone, Mackay, Melbourne, Rockhampton, Sydney, Townsville	T1, T2
Doctor of Philosophy by Portfolio	CD84	1	Online	Anytime
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) (Offshore)	CD86	4	Online	Anytime

* Variation to term availability, check <u>Handbook</u> for more details.

[†] Annual fee based on compulsory term 3.

⁺ Total fees may vary depending on chosen major.

^ Course delivered via CQU's Be Differrent Hyperflexible Learning Platform.

Please note the following important information:

- Courses offered via CQUniversity's Be Different Hyperflexible Learning Platform allow you to start anytime and study at your own pace, without traditional term dates. Visit <u>cqu.edu.au/bedifferent</u> for more information.
- Fees are in Australian dollars A\$ and indicate the approximate annual fee only and do not cover additional costs such as textbooks, accommodation, visa applications, OSHC, general living etc.
- Fees are based on a full-time study load and the final fee payable will be determined by your selection of units and if any credit was awarded for recognition of prior learning.
- > The University reserves the right to amend fees at any time during the course. Fees are reviewed annually and may increase in the following year to enable CQUniversity to continue to provide quality services and facilities to students.
- > Courses are subject to change at the discretion of the University.

Duration: PT – Part-time available for online courses.

Duration is in years, unless otherwise stated.

Intake: T1 - Term 1 (March), T2 - Term 2 (July), T3 - Term 3 (November).

- It is your responsibility to make yourself aware of the entry requirements and prerequisites of the courses you wish to undertake.
- > The typical annual fee shown provides an estimate of the tuition fees for the first year of the course in 2026. This estimate assumes a full-time study load of 24 credit points per term (based on two terms).
- > International students holding an Australian Student Visa can only undertake courses online from an overseas location.
- International students studying on-campus in Australia may only take 33 per cent of their entire course by online education, and this option cannot be taken in its entirety during a compulsory term (Term 1 and Term 2). Students must study at least one unit face-to-face each term (excluding Research Higher Degrees).

cqu.edu.au/internationalfees

Your next step starts here

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

For entry to CQUniversity courses, you must meet minimum academic and English proficiency requirements.

Some courses may include prerequisite study in certain subjects or higher English scores.

For more information on academic requirements, visit <u>cqu.edu.au/academicreq</u>.

If you do not meet the entry requirements there may be alternate pathways or study options available that CQUniversity can recommend. Other evidence of English proficiency may be accepted. This includes:

- successful completion of English studies
- study where the medium of instruction was in English at a university or post-secondary school, or
- an academic qualification that meets the English requirements.

cqu.edu.au/international-entryrequirements

	Vocational	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	Research
Level of study	Diploma	Associate Degree, Bachelor and Honours degree	Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Masters by coursework	Graduate Certificate in Research, Master of Research and Doctoral degree
English language proficiency: IELTS score (or equivalent) required	5.5 (<5.0)	6.0 (<5.5)	6.0 (<5.5)	6.5 (<6.0)
Academic entry requirement	Diploma: Australian Year 11 or equivalent; or AQF certificate IV or equivalent	Australian Year 12 or equivalent; or AQF certificate IV or equivalent; or completion of an approved university foundation studies program	Australian Bachelor degree or equivalent from a recognised higher education institution	Requirements vary depending on course, for full details refer to <u>cqu.edu.au/rhd</u>

2026 KEY DATES

CQUniversity offers three terms per year for higher education, giving you the flexibility to start your studies at the beginning, middle, or end of the year—depending on your course.

Term 3 is optional and provides an opportunity to begin at a time that suits you or fast-track your studies to graduate sooner. Each term runs for approximately 12 weeks, with scheduled university breaks. You can apply at any time throughout the year —our international admissions team is always ready to process applications and assist with any questions.

cqu.edu.au/international-apply

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3 ²
Orientation week	2 – 6 March	6 – 10 July	2 – 6 November
First day of classes	9 March	13 July	9 November
Last day of classes	5 June	9 October	12 February 2027
Exam period	8 – 16 June	12 – 20 October	15 – 19 February 2027
University vacation	17 June – 10 July	21 October – 6 November	22 February – 5 March 2027

This academic calendar is for university students only. Our English language courses can be commenced at multiple times of the year. Local and national holidays do not form part of this calendar. These days are subject to change, please check the Academic Calendar for final dates.

¹ These are the minimum English Language Requirements applicants will need to demonstrate. The University reserves the right to request applicants to meet a higher English Language Requirement specifically in cases where the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs has set higher English Language Proficiency Requirements for student visa applications. Some courses do require higher scores, please refer to course listing in this Guide or visit <u>cqu.edu.au/englishreg</u>.

² Optional term.

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For further information, visit cqu.edu.au/esos. The information in this publication was correct at the time of printing, however is subject to change. Check the CQUniversity website for current information.

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