How to Apply

In 2025



Who is QTAC?

- Not-for-profit organisation
- Apply through QTAC for over 1800 courses at 17 Queensland institutions
- Calculate and release the Queensland ATAR
- And so much more!

Apply through QTAC to study at any of these Queensland institutions



























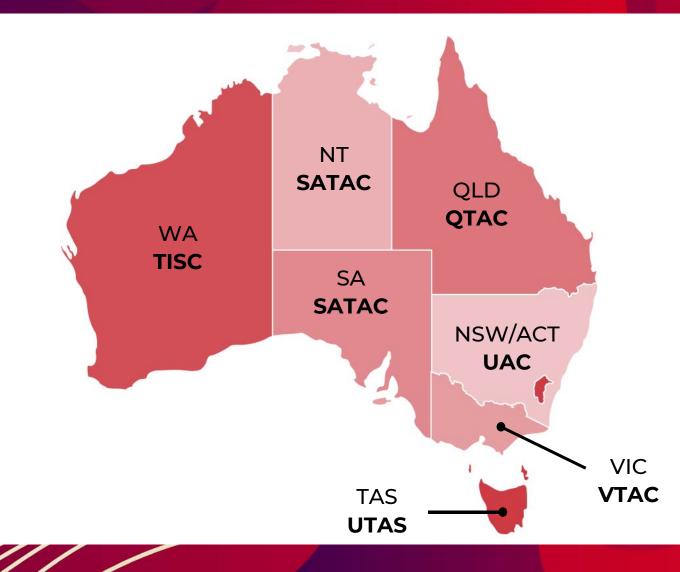








Looking to study interstate?



Check out



Admission Criteria 101

Institutions determine their own rules for admission and QTAC implements them.

Rules are applied consistently within institutions, but rules change from institution to institution.

Meet Samantha

- Samantha is a current Year 12 student on track to receive a Queensland ATAR.
- Her favourite subjects are Biology and Physics.
- She has her sights set on going to university in Brisbane.
- Samantha's dream career is nursing.





How can Samantha find her course options?

FIND A COURSE

Search over 1800 courses

Q Nursing Select Institution SEARCH

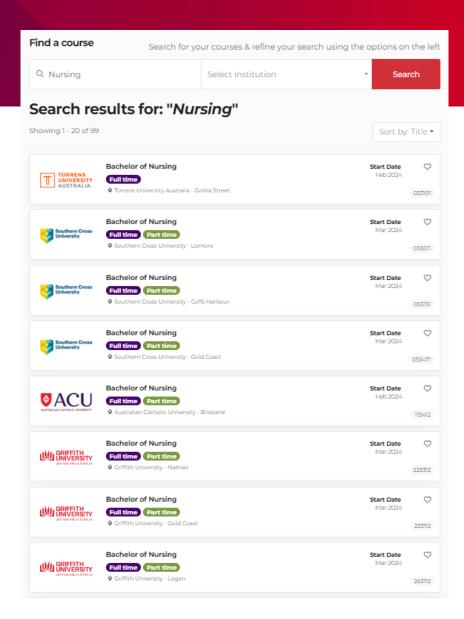
QTAC centralises and helps you navigate the 17 higher education providers in Qld and Northern NSW, to best serve your future-study interests.



How can Samantha find her course options?

To keep her options open, Samantha has entered a keyword for her course and clicked Search.

As you can see, the search results have returned a list of courses from various institutions relating to Nursing.





How can Samantha find her course options?

Once Samantha has found a course she would like to explore, she can click on the course for more information for:

- An overview of the course
- Admission Criteria
- Student Profile
- Career Possibilities

Bachelor of Nursing

⊕ Australian Catholic University - Brisbane

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Overview

Admissions Criteria

Student Prof

Career Possibilities

Course outline

The Bachelor of Nursing develops caring professional nurses who are proactive and adaptable, competent and ethical clinicians, and creative and critical thinkers. Across the course, theory is consistently embedded in clinical practice through the inclusion of one Integrating Practice unit every semester. Students will undertake clinical placements in a variety of areas including aged care, community nursing, high dependency nursing, medical/surgical nursing, mental health, paediatrics, palliative care, and perioperative nursing. Students may also choose to engage with communities overseas and gain unique educational and cultural experiences working in care facilities in developing countries.

For more course information, visit Bachelor of Nursing at ACU'

Note

This course is accredited by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC).

Fee notes

Average first year fee. Indicative only; subject to passage of legislation.

Other requirements

Students undertake at least 800 hours of professional experience. Before students can begin professional experience for this course, students should review the mandatory State or Territory legal and industry policy requirements. An overview of these requirements can be found at https://www.acu.edu.au/WiLsearch. Students must meet the inherent requirements – essential components of this course (capabilities, knowledge and skills) – to achieve the course learning outcomes. For more information see https://www.acu.edu.au/study-at-acu/how-to-apply/inherent-requirements.



Creating a QTAC account

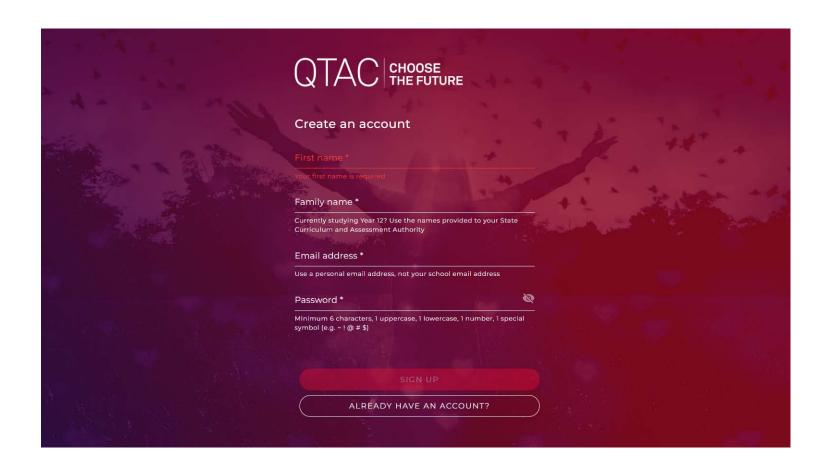
www.applications.qtac.edu.au/sign-up

Personal email address

LUI Number (Year 12 Students)

USI Number usi.gov.au

Applications Open 5th August 2025



Preferences



What is preferencing?

You can list up to 6 preferences on your application.

Preferencing is an important part of the application process as **only one offer is received at a time**, based on your **highest eligible preference**.

If you change your mind, that's okay

You can change your preferences after the application is lodged, even after an offer is made.

You can change your preferences for free 3 times.

It is a good idea to keep 1 of your free changes of preferences until after your ATAR is released

Forth and subsequent preference change fee \$70

Ordering your preferences

Desired Courses
Courses you want to study the most

Back-up courses
Courses you would be happy to study

Pathway Courses

Courses that will help you upgrade into

the course you really want

Samantha's course preferences

- Bachelor of Nursing QUT
- 2 Bachelor of Nursing ACU
- **3** Bachelor of Nursing Griffith
- 4 Bachelor of Nursing UniSC
- 5 Bachelor of Heath Sciences-Griffith
- 6 Diploma of Nursing TAFE



What are Pathway courses?

Other tertiary study

- Less competitive degrees
- Different campuses
- Regional institutions
- Bridging and tertiary preparation courses

Combined diplomas/degrees

- Apply for entry into a Diploma
- Guaranteed entry into the Bachelor course if the Diploma is successfully completed
- Get credit for study done within the Diploma, and graduate with two qualifications

Codes available in Course Overview tab

D Business/B Business:

520635 Cairns/University of Southern Queensland (1CO & 2F or 4P)

526634 Robina - Online/University of Southern Queensland (.750V & 2F or 4P)

555632 South Bank/University of Southern Queensland (1CO & 2F or 4P)

University may not be right for everyone

If you are not looking at going to university, you might like to consider:

- ✓ TAFE
- ✓ Employment
- ✓ Trade qualification

Everyone will have their own individual journey.

Don't forget QTAC is here to help match students with an opportunity that's right for them.

Eligibility and Merit

an unbreakable pair



Eligibility requirements

- Age requirements
- Subject prerequisites
- Portfolios, auditions, or interviews
- Essays or personal statements
- Questionnaires or exams (medicine and dentistry may require UCAT)

Some of these requirements might need to be submitted by a deadline. While researching your courses, make a note of early closing dates:

qtac.edu.au/key-info/

Nursing and Midwifery

Option 1. English primary language

Option 2. Current AHPRA registration

Option 3. English language proficiency test

Before you can be considered for a place in a Nursing or Midwifery course, the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC) requires that all applicants demonstrate their English language proficiency, regardless of their country of origin or language spoken.

This form is

Compulsory

For all nursing applicants.

How is merit determined?

Your merit is determined by your QTAC Selection Rank.

Applicants are allocated ranks based on their assessable qualifications.

Selection ranks can come from:

- ATARs
- Overseas Year 12 qualifications
- Completed AQF qualifications (Cert III & IV)
- Diplomas, Advanced Diplomas
- Tertiary study (minimum 2 subjects required)
- Music, dance, and drama qualifications
- Bridging and preparation courses

Common VET Ranks (competency based)

Ranks are determined by institutions *

Certificate III 68.00

Certificate IV 74.00

Diploma 82.00 QUT & Griffith award minimum of 87

^{*}As ranks are determined by each institution they may be differ between institutions

Breaking it down

Eligibility

Minimum entry requirements met?





Merit

Is your selection rank above minimum?



Process repeated with next preference.

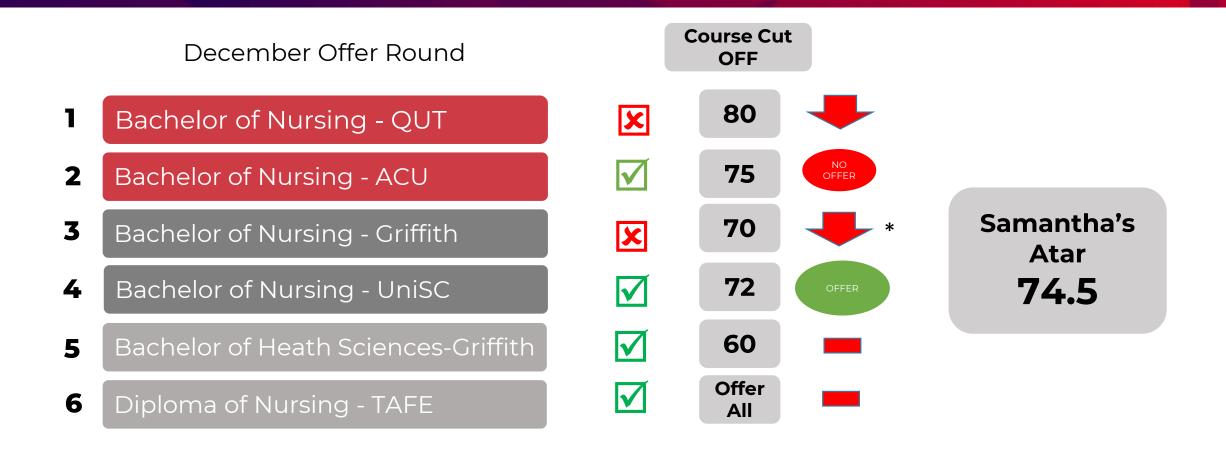


Offer Round

Compete for a place in course



Offer Rounds

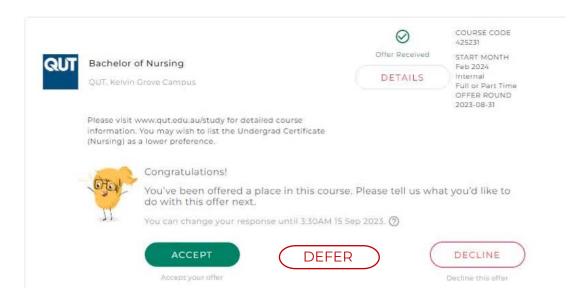


^{*} Samantha is not meeting the subject prerequisite; he is not eligible for an offer even though his ATAR is high enough

Congratulations, you received an offer. What now?



Responding to your offer



TELL US WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO NEXT

O Accept the offer

Reserve the offer but still wish to be considered for higher preferences

I'm happy & I'm ready to enrol

ACCEPT

Check with the institution for enrolment details and dates

I no longer wish to study this course

DECLINE

I'm happy, but I'm not ready to enrol yet

DEFER

Check with the institution for deferment details

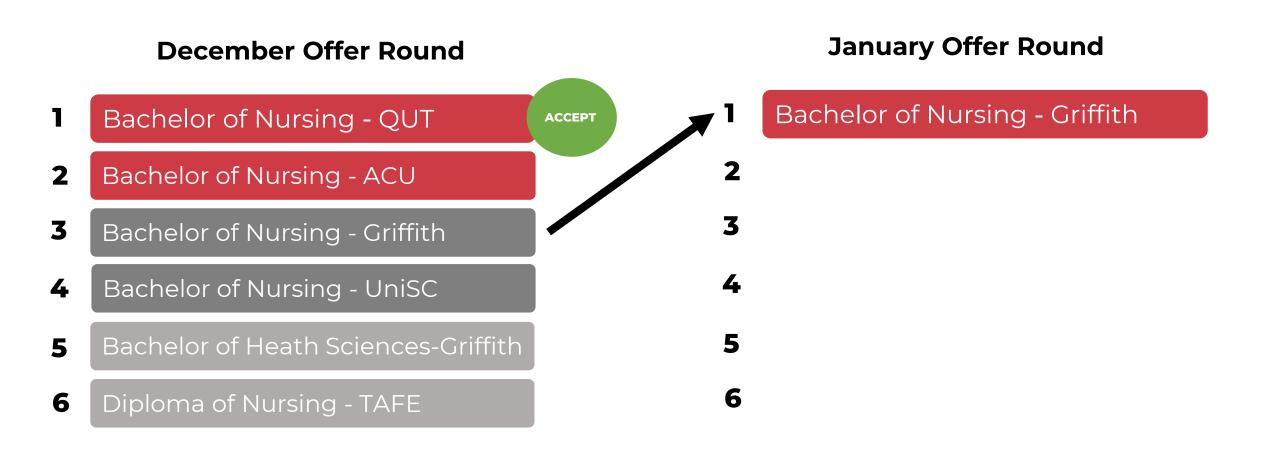
I'd like to be considered for my higher preferences

CONDITIONALLY RESPOND

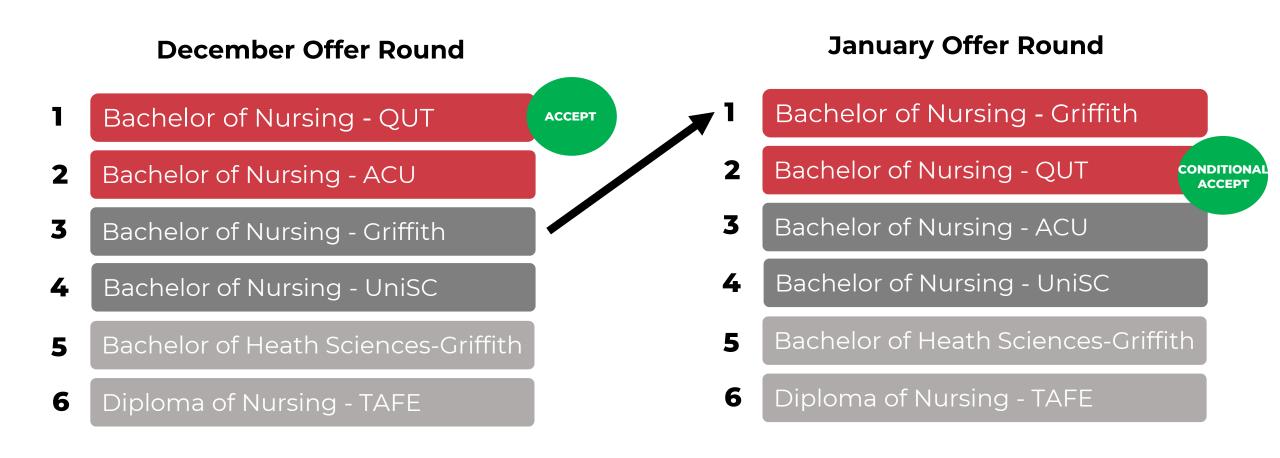
Check in on the next offer round date to see if you've received a new offer

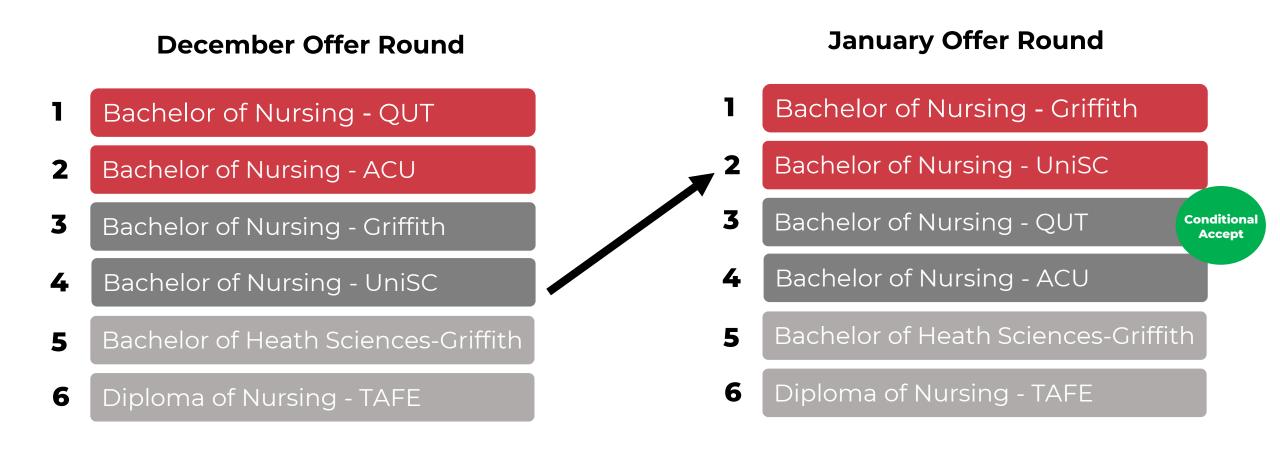


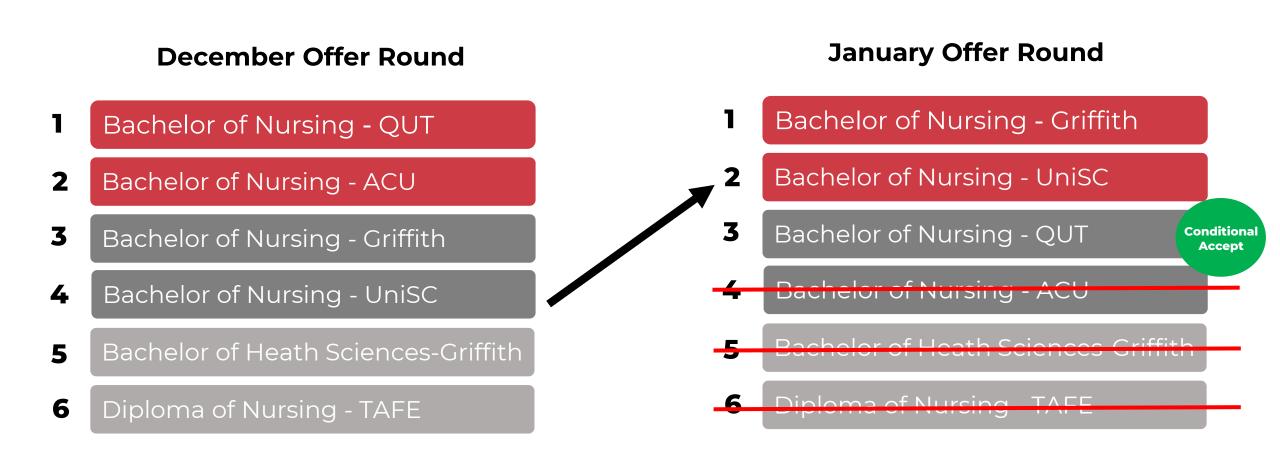
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4	Bachelor of Nursing - UniSC		4	
5	Bachelor of Heath Sciences-Griffith		5	
6	Diploma of Nursing - TAFE		6	











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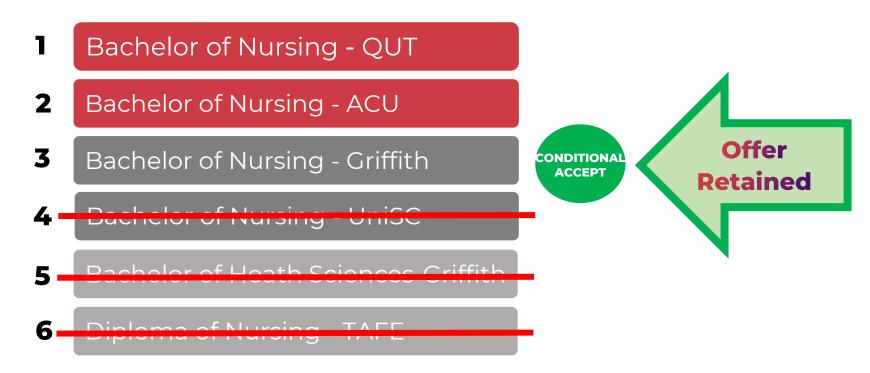
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You have not received a new offer.

January Offer Round

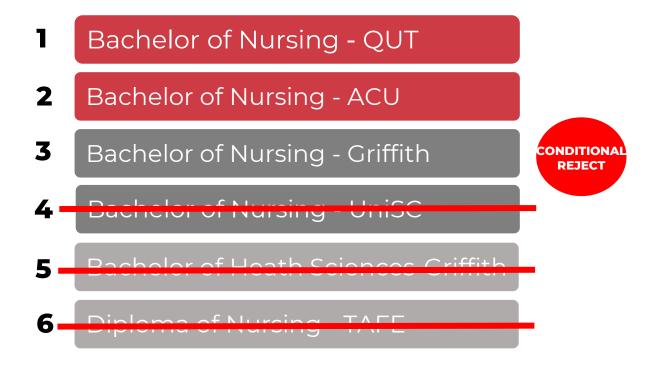




If you wish to Reject (Decline) an Offer

Please ensure that if you want to reject an offer, but still be considered for higher preferences in the next offer round, you need to conditionally reject the offer. If you leave this as an outright reject, your application will not be considered in subsequent offer rounds.

December Offer Round



Year 12 Early Offer Schemes

Institutes may choose to make early offers for Year 12 Students

Look in the Course Admissions Criteria tab if this is applicable to your course

Each Scheme is different, check institution website for criteria.

To be eligible the course will generally need to be your first preference

Offers can be made as early as September and are usually conditional on completion of Year 12

You still have the option to conditionally accept an early offer

Adjustment Schemes



Selection Ranks and Adjustment Factors

ATARs are calculated only on the students' actual QCE subject results, which have been scaled.

Adjustment Factors (EAS, subject adjustments, etc) are applied **after** the ATAR is calculated.

ATAR + Adjustment Factors = Applicant Selection Rank

Educational Access Scheme (EAS)



- Helps if your studies have been negatively affected by circumstances beyond your control
- Applies adjustment points to your rank to help you compete more equitably for an offer
- You can apply to EAS as part of your QTAC application
- Must include all the appropriate application forms and documentary evidence
- Different institutions award different adjustment factors so one may allow more or less adjustments than another

EAS Categories

Home Environment and Responsibility



Financial Hardship

English Language Difficulties





School Environment

Personal Illness or Disability



Note: Outstanding EAS documents may stop you from receiving an offer. If you decide not to submit documents, let us know ASAP.

Other adjustment schemes

Each institution has their own adjustments that are applied at the time of application:

- Regional schools & Rural Access Scheme
- School relationships
- Subject Schemes
- Elite athletes
- Introductory study
- Equity
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Rural Access Scheme

Some courses offer a **Rural Access Scheme** where a certain number of places are reserved for students from Rural and Remote Backgrounds.

If you apply for a course where Rural Access Schemes are offered, you will receive a form from QTAC. This will be sent to **all** applicants.

If you **have** lived in a rural or remote location for five consecutive years or ten cumulative years at any stage in your lifetime, you can fill out the form and return this to QTAC for consideration.

If you **have not** lived in a rural or remote location you do not need to take any further action, you can disregard the form.

ATAR

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QCE and the ATAR – What is the difference?

QCE

Certifies learning, showing the individual has achieved a specific standard of education at senior schooling level and may be considered by employers and the general community.

ATAR

Tells us about a student's position (or ranking) compared to all other students in the state. The only intended purpose for the ATAR is to assist with selecting applicants for tertiary study.

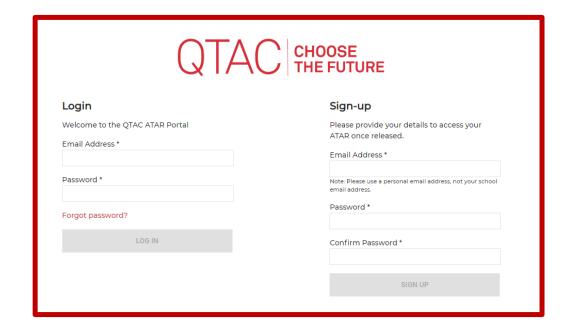
For questions about the QCE, including assessment and subject results, please contact QCAA (Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority).

Q qcaa.edu.au

Accessing your ATAR

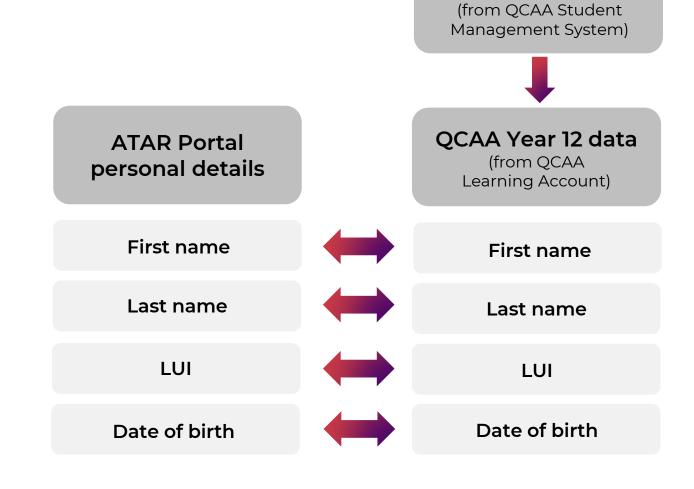
- Current Queensland Year 12 students can open their ATAR account with QTAC from August
- Students who wish to study interstate also need to create an ATAR account
- ATARs will be released in December
- If you wish to apply to commence tertiary study in 2025, you will also need to complete a QTAC application

You can register for your ATAR and access a range of resources at **qtac.edu.au/atar**



Setting up your ATAR account

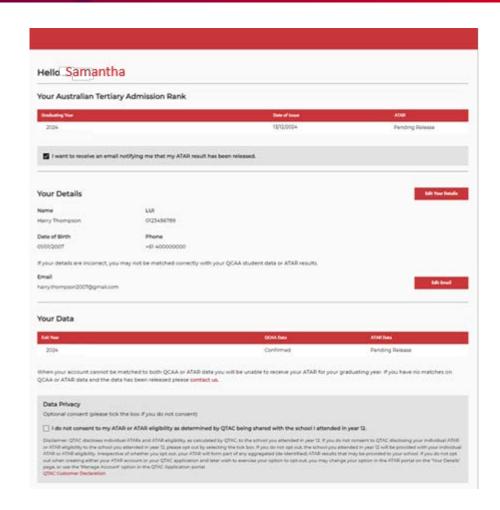
Details entered into the ATAR Portal must match the QCAA data



QCAA Data Updates

Setting up your ATAR account

- Once the registration is complete, the Dashboard shows the student's relevant personal information
- They can also see the data that is held for them, with confirmation from QCAA
- There is a function to enable students to change or update their details by lodging a request for assistance



ATAR Release

- 12pm Thursday 18 December 2025
- ATARs are released online only. There will be a facility to receive ATAR release notification via email.
- We have both an appeals and verification process. They sit in the policies page on our website

Have a question about ATARs?

You can call the ATAR hotline on 1300 193 173 or email atar@qtac.edu.au

For more details on changes to subjects and curriculum, visit the QCAA website

Extra Help



QTAC factsheets and publications

We have a range of resources available for students, parents and teachers at:

Q qtac.edu.au/media-centre











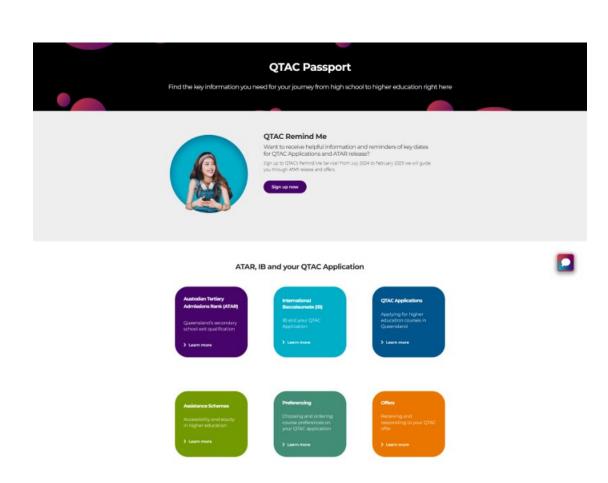


QTAC Passport



Choose your future





QTAC remind me



Key Dates & Application Fees



Keep up to date with Key Dates!

KEY DATE	DATE
Opening of Admissions	Tuesday 5 August 2025
Application Fee change	Wednesday 1 October 2025
Due date to supply and submit documentation	Monday 8 December 2025
ATAR Release	Thursday 18 December 2025
IBAS Release	Thursday 18 December 2025
December Offer Round	Tuesday 23 December 2025
January Offer Round	Thursday 15 January 2026

Application Fees

2025-2026 Applications

2025 Current Year 12 Students

All other Applicants

5 August 2025 – 30 September 2025	\$70	5 August 2025 – 30 September 2025	\$120
1 October 2025 – 28 February 2026	\$150	1 October 2025 – 28 February 2026	\$155
1 March 2026 – July 2026	\$120	1 March 2026 – July 2026	\$120

Change of Preferences

(all applicants)

First Three Changes Free Fourth and each subsequent change \$70

Application tips

- ✓ Apply early by 30 September to avoid late fee
- ✓ Check key dates
- ✓ Use a personal email address
- ✓ Check your course entry requirements (ANMAC, Teacher Questionnaire, Portfolio)
- ✓ Authorise someone if you would like them to ask QTAC about your application
- ✓ Ask QTAC if you get stuck

Any questions?

