

Gold Coast campus

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Open days, exhibitions and interview sessions

In Australia

Prospective students and their families are invited to attend Griffith University's Open Day held on Sunday 24 July 2016 (9am–2pm) on the Gold Coast, Nathan and South Bank campuses. Academic staff and students are available to discuss the wide range of programs offered and to answer your questions about studying at Griffith. Prospective student and program information is also available by calling +61 7 5552 8241 or emailing international@griffith.edu.au.

Overseas

Griffith University participates in a range of exhibitions and recruitment events overseas. For information on when staff from the University will be calling at your city, visit www.griffith.edu.au/international.

For details of Griffith University's overseas agents/representatives, visit www.griffith.edu.au/international/contact-us/international-agents.

Important dates

The academic year at Griffith University is divided into three main sessions:

Trimester 1, 2017 (February–June)

Orientation Week Monday 20 – Friday 24 February 2017
Trimester 1 starts Monday 27 February 2017

Trimester 2, 2017 (June–October)

Orientation Week Monday 26 – Friday 30 June 2017
Trimester 2 starts Monday 3 July 2017

Trimester 3, 2017 (October–January)

Orientation Week Monday 23 – Friday 27 October 2017
Trimester 3 starts Monday 30 October 2017

Academic calendar

For teaching periods, study breaks and vacation periods, check the 2017 academic calendar at www.griffith.edu.au/calendars-events/academic-calendar.

- In 2016, 15 of our disciplines were ranked among the top 200 in the world.*
- Our outstanding teachers are among the most highly awarded in Australia: we are one of only two universities to receive three Prime Minister's Awards for Australian University Teacher of the Year.
- Our facilities, like the Bloomberg Trading Room, Australia's most modern anatomy lab, a world-class concert hall and a top of the range flight simulator, mirror the environments in which you may work.

* QS World University Rankings by Subject 2016.

Campuses

The University operates on five campuses between Brisbane and the Gold Coast – at South Bank, Nathan, Mt Gravatt, Logan and Southport – each with a distinct campus atmosphere and academic options. With a full range of services, facilities, clubs and activities, campus life is dynamic and fun.

The Gold Coast campus is our comprehensive campus, set in native bushland, minutes from the famous Gold Coast beaches. With a population of more than 16,000 students, the campus boasts state-of-the-art facilities, including the new \$150 million Griffith Health Centre, adjacent to the \$1.76 billion Gold Coast University Hospital. Students enjoy extensive sporting facilities, including a gym, basketball, volleyball and tennis courts. You'll find many useful services right on campus, such as banking, post, medical, welfare and student guild services. On-campus accommodation is available and assistance can be provided with finding off-campus accommodation.

Sport at Griffith

Griffith is an athlete-friendly university and has a strong commitment to sport and the role that it plays in a balanced educational environment. According to the Australian Institute of Sport, Griffith is one of Australia's two top universities when it comes to elite athletes choosing where they want to study.

Employability

Our award-winning, free English language support programs provide you with tailored academic and language support at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. We also give you the skills you need to work in a team through our Industry Mentoring Program, Work Integrated Learning, LiveLab film production studio, LiveWorm professional graphic design studio and the Griffith App Factory.

Griffith University Honours College

Griffith is the first Australian university to establish an Honours College designed for outstanding undergraduate student leaders. The Griffith Honours College is an extracurricular program that provides students with experiences and skills to complement their undergraduate degree. For further information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/honourscollege.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Read section 3 in Part 1 for general information about admission requirements, including English language proficiency.

Admission requirements are the minimum qualifications you need before you can be selected for admission into a course of study.

As an international student completing one of the following qualifications in 2016, you will apply for admission through UAC and will generally be selected on the basis of your performance in these studies (ie your ATAR or equivalent):

- an Australian Year 12 qualification (either outside or in Australia)
- an International Baccalaureate
- a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement Level 3.

When assessing your application, Griffith University may take any or all of your qualifications or attempts at study into account.

ABOUT

Griffith University ranks in the top 3 per cent of world universities, offering future and current students access to leading researchers and facilities, including the Griffith Health Centre at the Gold Coast campus.

At Griffith University we're always looking for deeper knowledge that allows us to develop better understanding. We equip our students with world-class programs, taught by some of the best teachers in the country.

Limited ATAR

The University accepts the Limited ATAR for admission purposes – read section 8.6.

International applicants applying for admission on the basis of qualifications other than those listed above must apply directly to the University, not through UAC. For details, visit www.griffith.edu.au/international.

STUDENTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Before you are granted a student visa, the Australian Government must be satisfied that you have appropriate accommodation, support and general welfare arrangements in place for the period that you will be under 18 years of age while in Australia.

Griffith University will accept responsibility for welfare and support of international students who are under 18 years of age provided certain arrangements are in place.

For more information on what arrangements need to be in place, visit www.border.gov.au/Busi/Educ/Educ/Welfare-requirements-for-student-visa-applicants-under-18.

AREAS OF STUDY

Griffith University offers a wide range of undergraduate courses in:

- Business and Commerce
- Criminology and Law
- Education
- Engineering and Information Technology
- Environment, Planning and Architecture
- Health
- Humanities and Languages
- Music (at the Queensland Conservatorium)
- Science and Aviation
- Visual and Creative Arts.

For course descriptions, visit the international course search on UAC's website at www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search.

Visit www.griffith.edu.au/programs-courses for information on program structure.

TUITION FEES

For information about tuition fees, refer to the 'Table of courses' starting on page 37 or visit the international course search on UAC's website at www.uac.edu.au/international/course-search.

The tuition fees you pay for each trimester will depend on the program in which you are enrolled and the number of credit points in which you are enrolled. A standard trimester enrolment is 40 credit points; however, some programs require you to enrol in more or fewer credit points per teaching period.

Students commencing any program as a new or continuing student will be subject to an annual indexed increase of no more than 7.5 per cent of their tuition fees. It is important to note that the tuition fees do not include any special equipment or resources that may be required.

Applicants who receive an offer of admission are required to pay a deposit before starting their studies, normally one trimester's fee in advance, in order to secure their place. The deposit amount is stated in the University's offer letter. Throughout their enrolment, students are required to pay each trimester's fees by the due date as prescribed by the University. A student who fails to pay each trimester's fee in full by the due date may have their enrolment terminated.

Student Services and Amenities Fee

All students are required to pay a Student Services and Amenities Fee, which is embedded in the undergraduate international tuition fee. For further information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/fees-charges.

Fees policy

For more information regarding tuition fees and charges or to view the fees and charges policy for international students, visit www.griffith.edu.au/fees-charges/important-dates.

LIVING EXPENSES

Read section 7.3 for general information about living expenses. You can also visit our website at www.griffith.edu.au/international/study-at-griffith/financing-your-study.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Read section 7.4 for general information about scholarships.

Griffith University understands the time constraints and financial challenges facing students striving to achieve at the highest levels in academic and sporting fields.

For the latest scholarship information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/international/scholarships-finance.

SPONSORED STUDENTS

Read section 7.5 for general information about sponsored students.

You can also visit our website at www.griffith.edu.au/international/scholarships-finance/sponsor-students.

OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER

Read section 2.6 for general information about Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

Griffith University's preferred provider is Allianz Global Assistance. For further information, visit www.oshc.allianzassistance.com.au.

The University will organise the OSHC for you for the duration of your studies with the University.

HEALTH SERVICES ON CAMPUS

The Health Service at the Gold Coast campus offers bulk billing for medical consultations and free nursing consultations for students with Medicare and Allianz Global Assistance OSHC cards. For further information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/health-service.

WORKING WHILE STUDYING

Read section 2.5 for general information about working while studying. You can also visit our website at www.griffith.edu.au/international/prepare-for-study/international-student-visa/conditions-for-working-while-studying.

PREPARING FOR STUDENT LIFE

To assist students in preparing for their journey to Australia and their studies at Griffith, Griffith International has compiled *Destination Griffith*, an international student guide to accommodation, transport and on-campus services. It also contains helpful pre-departure information to assist students in preparing for life at Griffith University.

The guide is available at www.griffith.edu.au/international/prepare-for-study/destination-griffith.

ACCEPTANCE, ENROLMENT, ORIENTATION AND DEFERMENT

Acceptance

As part of the acceptance process, students will be asked to pay for the first trimester of their degree program and visa-length OSHC in order to obtain a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE). Once students have received their emailed CoE, they will be able to begin their student visa application.

Enrolment

Griffith University has an online enrolment service, enabling all students to enrol themselves in their programs. Once an applicant has finalised their acceptance of offer to Griffith University, they will be emailed a link to the 'Welcome to Griffith' page, which provides links to the online enrolment service.

Orientation

Orientation Week (O-Week) at Griffith University is designed to introduce new students to all aspects of university life and to prepare them to make the most of their student experience. For international students it is especially important to understand the support services available and the rules governing student visas. A range of social and cultural activities organised throughout the week will offer a genuine glimpse into Australian life and is a great way to meet local students and students from all over the world.

International students must attend the compulsory International Student Orientation session at the start of O-Week.

Griffith Mates

Griffith Mates is a peer support program that provides a range of services, including enrolment advice, study support and city familiarisation tours.

The Griffith Mates are current students who volunteer their time to make O-Week and the transition to Griffith University easier for new students. They are based on all campuses, study a wide range of degrees and can speak over 20 languages. Look for them wearing their red shirts. To find out what other support the Griffith Mates provide, visit www.griffith.edu.au/international/griffith-mates.

Deferment

If students wish to defer (take leave of absence) or cancel their enrolment at Griffith University, they must see an international student adviser at Griffith International to discuss the implications for their student visa and University policies relating to leave of absence/cancellation.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Griffith University's International Office offers a full range of student support services once you have become a Griffith student. Services include:

- pre-departure information
- airport reception
- accommodation assistance
- comprehensive orientation
- international student advisers.

Airport reception

Griffith University can organise a free-of-charge airport reception service to meet commencing students on arrival. The service will collect students at Brisbane Airport (International and Domestic) or Coolangatta Airport (Gold Coast) and take them directly to their accommodation. To use this service, students must apply online. For more information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/accommodation/homestay/students/airport-reception.

International Student Advisers

International students have dedicated support through international student advisers who can help with advocacy, difficulties in a student's life that affect their ability to study, cancelling enrolment or taking leave of absence, and appeals. For more information on assistance available, visit www.griffith.edu.au/international/services-facilities/international-student-advisors.

Student Administration

Student Administration staff can help with academic policies and procedures, including program structure and course selection, enrolment and credit. For more information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/future-students.

ACCOMMODATION

Griffith University Village is a student accommodation complex located on campus at Griffith University Gold Coast. The village offers fully furnished apartments and student support in the form of live-in residential assistants. For more information, call +61 7 5631 4628, email info@griffithuv.com.au or visit www.griffithuv.com.au.

Griffith's Gold Coast Student Guild also assists students to locate suitable private accommodation or flats. For further information, call +61 7 5552 8724.

STUDENT AND CAMPUS SERVICES

To ensure our students' success, Griffith University has a range of support services available.

Careers advice

For information about part-time and vacation jobs, graduate employment, career counselling and contact with employers, access the CareerBoard at www.griffith.edu.au/careers-employment.

Chaplaincy

Chaplaincy offers support for spiritual and personal development and fresh perspectives on spirituality, faith, religion and life matters. Chaplaincy supports students to enhance and enrich the University community. For further information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/chaplaincy.

Counselling

Student Services offer a counselling service on matters relating to transition, study, motivation, relationships, self-esteem, grief and loss, anxiety, stress and much more. For further information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/counselling.

Learning assistance

Experienced learning advisers are available to help you with your studies to enable you to become an independent and lifelong learner. Assistance includes free interactive workshops, online learning assistance, drop-in sessions and one-on-one support.

Visit www.griffith.edu.au/library/workshops-training for a full program of available workshops and self-help resources relating to academic, computing and library skills.

Library and computing services

Library skills demonstrations and workshops cover finding information by using the library catalogue, databases and the internet.

Computing skills workshops are available for new and advanced computer users and include word processing, working with spreadsheets and presentation skills. Web-based interactive tutorials are available for many applications.

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Student equity services

Equity services provide support for students with disabilities and information about equity programs. For further information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/student-equity-services.

Student Guild

The Student Guild can assist students with an accommodation service, an employment (part-time) service, campus sporting and cultural clubs, a laminating and fax service, and a list of available tutors (private).

For more information, visit www.gugcstudentguild.com.au.

Welfare support and financial assistance

Student loans and other financial assistance are available. For further information, visit www.griffith.edu.au/welfare.

Other services

Griffith's extensive on-campus facilities ensure that students can easily satisfy their needs. Facilities at the Gold Coast campus include banking, bar, barbecues, basketball and beach volleyball courts, bookshop and convenience store, computing labs, restaurants, gym, library, recording studio, hairdresser, medical services, travel agency and Olympic-standard running track. Career and employment counselling, legal services and welfare are also provided.

At Griffith, safety and security are provided by personal security guides and there are regular security patrols around the campus. Bus services, safety lighting and an emergency telephone network are some of the ways we make Griffith a safe and secure environment for all.

More information is available at www.griffith.edu.au/security.

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