Science International Welcome and Induction
O-Week - Semester 2, 2023
St Lucia – 21 July 2023
Welcome to the Faculty of Science

Today’s schedule:

Part 1: Welcome + important information
Part 2: Student Admin - advice for international students
Part 3: Your rights and responsibilities
Part 4: Q&A
Acknowledgment of Country

The University of Queensland (UQ) acknowledges the Traditional Owners and their custodianship of the lands on which we meet.

We pay our respects to their Ancestors and their descendants, who continue cultural and spiritual connections to Country.

We recognise their valuable contributions to Australian and global society.
Welcome to Australia
Welcome to UQ 😊
Welcome to the Faculty of Science!
Key dates and important information
Important dates – Semester 2, 2023

Prepare to come to UQ

19 June 2023
My Timetable opens for Semester 2 Preferencing

10-14 July 2023
Program Information Sessions *compulsory

14 July 2023
Last date to request program change/s through my.SI-net

17-21 July 2023
Orientation Week (O-Week) *compulsory

21 July 2023
Due date to enrol for international students

24 July 2023
Semester 2 classes commence

4 August 2023
Last date for addition/alteration of enrolment

Due date for payment of fees and charges

31 August 2023
Census date (last date to drop courses or cancel enrolment without financial liability)

28 October 2023
Semester 2 classes end

4-18 November 2023
Semester 2 examination period

18 November 2023
Semester 2 ends


Faculty of Science

Missed your session?
Watch the recording here

Faculty of Science International O-Week Session | July 2023

CRICOS Code 00025B | TEQSA: PRV12080
Study Modes – Semester 2, 2023

What has changed?

• All international students commencing in Sem 2, 2023 will need to travel to Australia for in-person attendance (Internal study mode)
• There have been recent changes to study requirements for international students studying in 2023

Internal (in-person) study

• You must be able to attend campus
• Requires regular in-person attendance (face-to-face)
• Normal learning activities in-class including labs and pracs

External (online) study

No longer available from Sem 2, 2023 for most programs and for student visa holders

More information: uq.edu.au/about/coronavirus/international-students

Course enrolments + Internal study mode – Semester 2, 2023

- All students should aim to arrive in Australia before Semester 2 commences (Monday, 24 July 2023).
- If you are unable to travel to Australia before Semester 2 commences (Monday, 24 July 2023) you should contact the Science Student Enquiries team: enquiry@science.uq.edu.au
- Students can change their enrolments in my.SI-net until the end of Week 2 (Friday, 4 August 2023)

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<th>Recommended enrolment process</th>
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<td>All students will be able to change their course study modes themselves via my.SI-net. (my.SI-net Student Guide: Drop External mode courses, re-add courses in Internal mode)</td>
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<td>Between 5 - 18 August 2023 (Weeks 3-4)</td>
<td>Students may be able to change study modes but must seek permission via the Late Addition of Course (LAOC) request in my.SI-net. Students must seek approval to change study modes as above, this is less likely to be approved the later you apply. Note: There may be some exceptions where this is not possible. Requests may be denied if assessment activities have already begun in their chosen courses.</td>
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<td>Recommend deferring to Sem 1, 2024.</td>
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<td>After Friday, 31st August 2023 Census date</td>
<td>No late arrivals permitted after Census (31 August 2023). Recommend deferring to Sem 1, 2024.</td>
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Need help? Contact Science Student Enquiries:

+ 61 7 3365 1888  
Office hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm Brisbane AEST time

enquire@science.uq.edu.au  
Include your full name + UQ Student ID number + LAOC in subject of email
Orientation Week (O-Week)
17 - 21 July 2023
What is O-Week?

Orientation Week (O-Week) is held the week before classes start each Semester. It’s designed to introduce you to academic and student life at UQ and offers great opportunities to meet new people.

my.uq.edu.au/starting-at-ug/orientation-settling-in
Program Information Sessions
Pre-Orientation Activities (*compulsory*)

10 - 14 July 2023
Program Information Sessions
(10 - 14 July 2023)

*Note: You must have accepted your offer to be invited!

What are they?

- Like a “pre-Orientation” introduction to your program
- **Compulsory** for all new students to attend
- Most sessions online via Zoom – some exceptions!
- Only 1x session per program / discipline (1-2 hours max.)
- Meet your Program Director (head professor) and classmates
- Get key information about your program (including study plans, course enrolments, assessments, etc.)
- **Have a question about which courses to take? Come along for answers!**
- Invitations sent to your UQ Student email account mid-late June
- Recordings via Science Orientation website

Watch the recording: science.uq.edu.au/student-support/orientation
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<td>10am - 11am <strong>UG Bachelor of Environmental Science</strong></td>
<td>10am - 11am <strong>UG Bachelor of Mathematics</strong></td>
<td>10am - 11am <strong>UG Bachelor of Environmental Management (Hons)</strong></td>
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<td>11am - 12pm <strong>UG Bachelor of Regional &amp; Town Planning</strong></td>
<td>10am - 11am <strong>PG Agricultural Science (Master, GC, GD)</strong></td>
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<td>1pm - 2pm <strong>PG Quantitative Biology (Master, Grad Dip)</strong></td>
<td>2pm - 3pm <strong>PG Urban &amp; Regional Planning (Master, GC, GD)</strong></td>
<td>12pm - 1pm <strong>PG Geographic Info Science (GIS) (Master, GC, GD)</strong></td>
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*compulsory

Watch the recordings: science.uq.edu.au/student-support/orientation
In-person Program Information Sessions

School of Chemistry & Molecular Biosciences (SCMB)

Session held in-person on **Tuesday, 18 July 2023**

If you are studying:

**Biotechnology** / **Bioinformatics** / **Molecular Biology**

*Missed your session?*
Contact the School of Chemistry & Molecular Biosciences for advice:

**School of Chemistry and Molecular Biology (SCMB)**
Phone: +61 7 3365 3925
Email: enquiries@scmb.uq.edu.au
Website: scmb.uq.edu.au
General Information Sessions

General information sessions Semester 2, 2023

- A Student's Guide to Enrolling and Timetabling for Science Students (Youtube, 1h:07m:36s)
- Planning Your Enrolment
  - Presentation slides (PDF, 721.2 KB)
  - Recording (Zoom, 29m:54s) requires login
- Introduction to Learn.UQ (Blackboard) for Science Students (Zoom, 55m:48s) requires login
- IT Essentials for Science Students (Zoom, 01:11m:22s) requires login
- Science International Induction
- Science Induction Session

Follow these steps: science.uq.edu.au/student-support/orientation

Recordings via Science Orientation website
## St Lucia Science Orientation Activities

I'm studying **in-person** at St Lucia
(inc. BSc, Biotech, EnvmMan, Food Science, FinMaths, GIS, MolBiol, MSc, etc.)

### 10-14 July 2023

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<td>PG Biotech / Bioinformatics / Molecular Biology Information Sessions <strong>in-person</strong></td>
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<td>Bachelor of Biotechnology Program Information Session <strong>in-person</strong></td>
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<td>Science International Welcome Session (St Lucia) <strong>compulsory</strong></td>
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<td>Science Induction Session (St Lucia) <strong>compulsory</strong></td>
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<td>12:00pm - 2:00pm</td>
<td>St Lucia Science Expo + Lunch <strong>recommended</strong></td>
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<td>2:00pm - 3:00pm</td>
<td>Biotech / Bioinformatics / Molecular Biology Drop-in Q&amp;A <strong>recommended</strong></td>
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<td>4:00pm - 5:00pm</td>
<td>Science Induction Session (St Lucia) <strong>recommended</strong></td>
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### Saturday, 22 July

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<td>8:30am - 2:00pm</td>
<td>Jumpstart Academic Preparation Program JSAPP (St Lucia UG students) <strong>in-person</strong></td>
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### Thursday, 27 July

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<td>11:00am - 4:00pm</td>
<td>Jumpstart Academic Preparation Program JSAPP (PG students) <strong>online</strong></td>
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### Tuesday, 1 Aug

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<td>3:00pm - 5:00pm</td>
<td>Science Starter – Week 2 Drop-In Helper Session <strong>online</strong></td>
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### St Lucia sessions:

*Please note: Times listed are in Brisbane AEST time (UTC +10).*
Orientation at UQ  (17 - 21 July 2023)


Helpful O-Week sessions:

- **Preparing to Start at UQ**  *strongly recommended!!*  (starts in June)
  - International Student Pre-Departure
  - Student’s Guide to Enrolling and Timetabling
  - Finding Accommodation in Brisbane and Gatton
  - Getting Started - Your First Few Weeks at UQ
- **Safety in Australia**  *compulsory*
- **Academic workshops**  *recommended*
- **Jump Start Academic Preparation Program (JSAPP)**  *recommended*
- **Accommodation and renting in Brisbane**
- **Health, OSHC and medical help**
- **Working and taxation for international students**
- **Studying in Australia**
- **Australian Culture and Adjusting**
- **Study Abroad and Exchange students**
- **Social Activities**

Search for O-Week events on the [UQ Orientation website](https://life.uq.edu.au/orientation/checklist)
What do I need to do before Semester 2?
Before you start – checklist!

- Accept your offer and pay your tuition deposit
- Apply for a student visa (once you have your CoE letter)
- Plan your finances
- Activate your UQ Student Account \( \text{\textleftarrow{Need help?}} \) Contact UQ ITS or AskUs
- Visit the Starting at UQ website for enrolment instructions and key dates
- Plan accommodation for your arrival
- Book airport pick-up online (a minimum of three days in advance)
- Plan what to pack
- Open a bank account
- Attend your online Program Information Session (10-14 July 2023)
- Attend the Preparing to start at UQ sessions
- Register for your Orientation activities (17-21 July 2023)
- Enrol in your courses before Friday, 21 July 2023 (follow your Study Planner)
- Complete the Academic Integrity modules *compulsory
- Download helpful UQ apps and complete the UQ Essentials modules
- Attend classes from Monday, 24 July 2023 (Week 1)
Starting at UQ website

Begin here… A step-by-step guide to your first steps as a UQ student:

1. Plan
   - Choose your courses and start planning your timetable.

2. Enrol
   - This is the process of registering the courses you intend to study for a semester. You will use the mySI-net system to enrol.

3. Student finances
   - Use the online tools to calculate your fees automatically, and find out about scholarships and prizes.

4. Prepare for semester
   - Collect your student ID, buy textbooks, connect to wifi and learn about IT systems.

[Go to: my.uq.edu.au/starting-at-uq]
Enrolling in your courses

UQ Sign-In
Haven’t activated your UQ account? Shortly after you received your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE), you should have been sent an email with a UQ account activation link. Click the activation link and follow the steps.

If you experience any difficulty activating your UQ Sign-In, or forget your password, contact Information Technology Services on +61 7 3365 6000 or email help@its.uq.edu.au.

Need help with your enrolment?
Contact the Faculty of Science Student Enquiries team:
Email: enquire@science.uq.edu.au
Phone: +61 7 3365 1888 (Monday to Friday, 9:30am to 4:00pm *Brisbane AEST time)
Academic Integrity Modules *compulsory

All new to UQ students and new to a program students need to complete the compulsory Academic Integrity Modules (AIM) before the due dates.

**Important**: If you do not complete the modules by the due dates, you will be unable to access Blackboard Learn.UQ, view your grades and will be prevented from enrolling in the following semester until the modules have been completed.

**Due dates:**
- Part A by 31 August 2023
- Part B by 27 October 2023

**Note**: Leave Part B until after you have completed some of this semester’s assessment tasks so you have experience with University level assessment.

**What is it?**

Academic integrity describes the ethical principles that underpin academia and student life. All members of the UQ community have a responsibility to support and uphold the values of academic integrity. These modules are designed to help you understand your obligations and responsibilities as a UQ student.

[web.library.uq.edu.au/library-services/it/learnuq-blackboard-help/academic-integrity-modules]
Important UQ Websites

1. **my.UQ Dashboard** (access hub: emails, timetable)
2. **my.SI-net** (tuition fees, enrolment, etc.)
3. **Learn.UQ Blackboard** (course learning resources, zoom links, lecture recordings, announcements, etc.)
4. **StudentHub** (booking appointments, jobs/internships)
5. **UQ Library** (textbooks, learning support, past exams)
6. **Science Study Planner** (course list, ECPs)
7. **Google or other search engine** (use key phrases)
Planning your studies
Science Study Planner

Science study planners

Study planners to help you organise your enrolment.

Undergraduate
Study plans for diplomas and bachelor degrees.

Postgraduate
Study plans for graduate certificates, graduate diplomas and master degrees.

Changes to our programs
Details of changes to Science programs as a result of Program Architecture 2.

planner.science.uq.edu.au
Science Study Planner – Course Profiles

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planner.science.uq.edu.au
Understanding your Course Overview

Calculus & Linear Algebra II (MATH7000)

Course level: Postgraduate Coursework
Faculty: Science
School: Mathematics & Physics Science
Units: 2
Duration: One Semester
Class contact: 3LTIC (Summer 2LTIC)
Incompatible: MATH3009 & MATH3001

Please note any Restrictions or Pre-requisites (such as Head of School permission to enroll). If permission to enroll is required, contact your school via email ASAP to request permission. Still need help? Contact your School or the Faculty of Science Student Enquiries team: enquiries@science.uq.edu.au

If you have questions about your course, or if you need help requesting permission to enroll, please contact your Course Coordinator via email. You are advised to email your program director and course coordinator – they are there to help!

If your Course Coordinator’s email address is listed here, search Google for their name to find their research interests. For example, try "Dr Phil Isaac UQ". Their email address and contact details will be on their UQ Researcher profile

Current course offerings

Make sure you note and select the correct semester and study mode (Internal / External)

If the course profile (ECP) for Semester 2 is not yet available, it will be soon – please keep checking for updates over the coming days / weeks. In the meantime, please refer to the most recent version of the ECP as a guide only.

planner.science.uq.edu.au
Emerging Issues in Plant & Animal Biosciences (AGRC6010)

Current course offerings

Course offerings | Location | Mode | Course Profile
Semester 2, 2023 (24/07/2023 - 18/11/2023)
Gatton | In Person | PROFILE UNAVAILABLE

Please Note: Course profiles marked as not available may still be in development.

Course description

The course introduces students to major emerging issues affecting policy and practice in the plant and animal biosciences with a focus on agricultural and environmental systems. The world is facing growing pressures in its current and future ability to supply protein, crops, fibre and energy as its population heads towards 9 billion in the face of limiting resources, competition for land use, environmental, cultural and social change. Sustainability is a common catch-cry applied at all levels, for global systems, economic processes, nations, regions and individual farm units. Key issues may include, but are not limited to, climate change, the development of the new (de-carbonised) economy, biosecurity, animal welfare, new technologies for genetic modification such as CRISPR, the potential for microalgae as bio production systems, the desire to reduce or eliminate pesticides from production systems, mechanisms for food traceability, the growing influence of social media to connect consumers with production systems and the influence of public activism campaigns. Students will be encouraged to think of themselves as shaping the future by understanding the drivers behind a global push to develop a circular economy, rather than solely responding to trends. The course covers topics relevant to all plant and animal science students and aims to provoke deep consideration of how these issues might affect future professional careers.

Archived offerings

Course offerings | Location | Mode | Course Profile
Semester 2, 2022 (25/07/2022 - 19/11/2022)
Gatton | Internal | COURSE PROFILE

1. General Course Information
1.1 Course Details
Course Code: AGRC6010
Course Title: Emerging Issues in Plant & Animal Biosciences
Coordinating Unit: School of Agriculture and Food Sciences
Semester: Semester 2, 2022
Mode: Internal
Level: Postgraduate Coursework
Location: Gatton
Number of Units: 2
Contact Hours Per Week: 20
What is an Electronic Course Profile (ECP)?

Course Description: This course provides an introduction to a broad range of research approaches relevant to environmental managers and planners. Topics covered include: types of research and value of research, the research process and theory of research, ethics in research, quantitative research, qualitative research, empowering research approaches, environmental research, research for engagement and monitoring and evaluation, quantitative and qualitative data analysis, presenting data, communicating research, reflections on ‘the field’ and the future of research.

Assumed Background:
no prerequisites are necessary other than a mature outlook and a willingness to engage with a variety of research approaches.

1.2 Course Introduction

The purpose of the course is to introduce students to a broad range of research methods for environmental management and planning, and explore the value and applicability of these methods. Students will learn how to plan, design and conduct research using quantitative, qualitative, participatory, indigenous, environmental, and monitoring and evaluation methods. Students will learn software tools for undertaking quantitative and qualitative data analysis (e.g. SPSS and NVivo). Practical considerations for research ethics, presenting data, communicating research and being in the ‘field’ will also be explored.

Course Changes in Response to Previous Student Feedback

In 2019, this course underwent significant changes with a change in course coordinator. Since then greater emphasis has been placed on developing foundational knowledge on practical methods and hands-on workshops where students can apply such knowledge. In 2021, the course underwent a Digital Learning Uplift (DLU) whereby core content is now provided on the learning platform Learnix (using studio videos, peer videos, podcasts, expert interviews, knowledge checks, readings, word-clouds and reflections).

Additionally, given that this course is made up of both undergraduate (PLAN3001) and postgraduate (ENVM7003/PLAN7110) students, the workshops will be separate for undergraduates and postgraduates. This will allow for the workshops with the undergraduates and postgraduates to have specialised workshop attendance and activities.

1.3 Course Staff

Course Coordinator: Associate Professor Karin McInerney
Email: kmcinerney@uq.edu.au

Lecturer: Associate Professor Karen McNamara

Tutor: Mrs. Jess Kilroy

Tutor: Ms. Piyali Mahajan

Tutor: Miss Lillian Norris

Course Administrator: Mrs. Jess Kilroy

UG Students: Please access the profile from Learnix or myUQ to access all course contributor details held in this profile.

1.4 Timetable

Timetables are available on the UQ Public Timetable.

Additional Timetable Information

This course follows a blended learning model. Core content is provided via the Learnix platform (all lectures/videos, readings, knowledge checks) for weeks.
Australian learning and teaching style
# UQ Terminology

| **Program** | degree you’re studying  
| (e.g. BSc or BSc/BE dual degree) |
| **Course** | subject, or module |
| **Course code** | name (e.g. CHEM1100, BIOL2001) |
| **Unit (#)** | measure of credit value of a course  
| Most courses are #2  
| Standard study load is #8 per semester (4 courses)  
| Bachelor of Science program requires  
| #48 (typically 6 semesters = 3 years) |

**Major/Field of Study**  
specialisation within a program

Typical class types / learning activities within a course

Click the links below for more information:

• Lectures
• Tutorials/ Workshops
• Practicals
• Projects and group learning
• Flipped classrooms
• Self-directed learning
Lectures
Lectures

All lectures are recorded.
Tutorials/Workshops

In-person tutorials/workshops
Practicals
How should I study the course material?
Self-directed learning

- The Learn.UQ Blackboard course site of each course contains a huge collection of self-study materials.
Flipped classrooms

• What is a flipped classroom?

• Students complete pre-readings or watch pre-lecture videos before they come to lectures and work on problem-solving tasks during live lectures!
Projects and group learning
Help is available!

- Email support from tutors and lecturers
- First-year learning centres
- Online discussion boards
  - Get helps from instructors and classmates
- Lecturer consultation/office hours
- Exam revision workshops
- And more!
# The transition to the Australian education system – who is in charge?

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<th>Australian University</th>
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<td>Set by teachers and school (...and parents)</td>
<td><strong>Student</strong> balances: study, work, fun, and life</td>
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<td>Enrolling in classes</td>
<td>Organised by parents and school (high school)</td>
<td><strong>Student</strong> must enrol in the correct courses by the deadline (University staff can guide you)</td>
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<td>Organised by school; usually set times Mon-Fri</td>
<td><strong>Student</strong> can choose their timetable from available classes set by University</td>
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<td>Study</td>
<td>Mostly in class; homework assigned as back-up learning</td>
<td><strong>Student</strong> schedules time for study. <strong>Student</strong> frequently sets their own homework goals.</td>
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<td>Teachers remind you</td>
<td><strong>Student</strong>. Reminders not routine – use course profiles/Blackboard. No easy late extensions!</td>
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<td>Communication</td>
<td>School contacts parents. Parents sign permissions and access your records.</td>
<td>UQ speaks to <strong>Student</strong>. UQ does not contact parents and cannot give them information without permission.</td>
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<td>Help</td>
<td>Teachers approach you if they believe you need assistance.</td>
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<td>Missing a class</td>
<td>Teachers provide you with information you missed when you were absent.</td>
<td><strong>Student</strong> needs to get missed notes from classmates, Blackboard, and online lecture recordings.</td>
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<td>Teachers monitor class attendance.</td>
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What to expect: [my.uq.edu.au/starting-at-uq/what-to-expect](my.uq.edu.au/starting-at-uq/what-to-expect)
Setting expectations

As a university student in Australia, you have choices about:

• Attendance
• Amount of revision time
• Your work/leisure/study balance
• How you schedule your study
• Whether you read documentation and messages we provide

Tips:

• Get into the habit of checking your emails daily!
• Ask questions – we can’t help you if you don’t ask!
Your rights and responsibilities
Our responsibilities

we will provide good teaching and support

we will respect diverse outlooks, backgrounds, aspirations and abilities

we will help you, but you must come to us – ASK!

we will provide you with all course materials and support – really, a lot!
Your responsibilities

We expect students will:

- commit appropriate time, effort, and intellectual engagement
- attend mandatory sections of courses, and attend optional parts whenever possible
- understand program structure, rules, and course expectations
- abide by the UQ Student Charter, respect others and behave ethically

Check your UQ Student email account every day!!
You are more likely to SUCCEED if you

- Attend lectures, tutorials, and practicals.
- Do some study! Time spent studying is the strongest predictor of success.
- Balance commitments – work, study, social life
- Develop a social network
- Seek help if you are having difficulties
- Get engaged and get involved!
Where do I go for help?

**Faculty of Science** Student Enquiries

**St Lucia campus**
Building 69, Level 2
Phone: +61 7 3365 1888
enquire@science.uq.edu.au

**Gatton campus**
N.W. Briton Annexe (Building 8101a)
Phone: +61 7 5460 1276
enquire@science.uq.edu.au

**Office hours:** Monday to Friday
8:30am – 4:30pm *Brisbane AEST time

**Tip:** If you are confused, you can make an appointment with an academic advisor through the Faculty of Science.
Who should I contact for help?

Before you accept your offer + pay tuition fees

Science International team
science.international@uq.edu.au

After you accept your offer + pay tuition fees

That depends… but your first port of call can be the Science Student Enquiries team
enquire@science.uq.edu.au

Ms Grace Li
Ms Karen Vowles
Ms Margeaux Chandler
Ms Guinevere Pearce
Make the most of your studies
Enhance your Science Experience

UQ Science Leaders Academy +
Leadership and Mentoring Program in Science (LaMPS)
Develop your leadership and mentoring skills through this extracurricular program, and become a Science Leader (earn points towards the UQ Employability Award)
[science.uq.edu.au/student-support/leadership-mentoring]
APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN – Apply here  Closing date: Week 1 of Sem 2, 2023

Study Assistance Program
Visit the Study Assistants (online and in-person) throughout semester for help with first and second year courses or general study tips.

Science Learning Centre (SLC)
A great space for informal learning, group work, quiet study and interaction with classmates.
Location: Room 240, Priestley Building (67), UQ St Lucia campus

Summer and Winter Research Program
Develop and apply your scientific knowledge whilst gain valuable research and professional capabilities: employability.uq.edu.au/summer-winter-research

Science Student Experience team
E: studentexperience@science.uq.edu.au  P: +61 7 3443 2668
[science.uq.edu.au/student-support/your-student-experience-team]
UQ Clubs and Societies

Become a **Science International Student Ambassador**

Want to give back to future UQ students? 😊

Become a Science International Student Ambassador!!

**Send an email to:**
[science.international@uq.edu.au](mailto:science.international@uq.edu.au)

Please include a short paragraph to introduce yourself (things like hobbies, interests, languages spoken, study program, contact details, and your availabilities)
Sport and Fitness – UQ Sport

- **35+ sports clubs and societies** including basketball, football, yoga, martial arts, volleyball and many more. Social and competitive options available.
- **Fitness Centre** - three level state of the art gym. 80+ group fitness classes per week.
- **Tennis Centre** – 21 courts including two synthetic grass courts
- **Aquatic Centre** – 50m Olympic size pool, 25m pool, Program Pool for swimming lessons
- **Athletic Centre** – 8 lane synthetic track and field event facilities
- **PLUS** many outdoor fields, basketball courts, beach volleyball courts, netball courts and running circuit

my.uq.edu.au/information-and-services/campus-shops-and-facilities/sporting-facilities

Assistance for Students
Academic Support 📖

UQ Library

- **Getting started with Learn.UQ (Blackboard)** – guide and tips
- **How to study online** - guide and tips
- **Digital Essentials** - self paced modules from the UQ Library covering topics including UQ systems, Digital citizenship, Internet essentials, Communicate & collaborate online
- **Assignment Essentials** - self paced modules to build your study and assignment skills
- Live chat with librarians

Student Support workshops & guides

- **Student Support (online) workshops** including: preparing for exams, listening and note taking skills, reading strategies, managing your time, studying effectively, learning and planning with concept mapping
- **Online study skills guides** including general study skills, exam tips and assignment writing
- **Making the most out of online learning**
- **English Language** support
International Student Support

Find support for overcoming the unique challenges of studying in a foreign country

- Life in Australia
- Academic and English support
- Student visa information
- Making friends
- Bringing your family

Additional Services

- Counselling and crisis appointments
- Multi-faith chaplaincy
- Disability support
- LGBTQI+
- PASS (Peer Assisted Study Sessions)
- Mindfulness
- Disability assistance

uq.edu.au/student-services/international-students
Counselling services

Our counsellors will listen without judgement, offer new perspectives and work with you on strategies that are right for you.

- All current UQ students can access 10 free counselling sessions each year
- One-on-one appointments
- Phone/Skype consultations
- Book online
- Self-help resources

24/7 Counselling and Crisis Line:
Phone: 1300 851 998

More information: Student support
Learning development

- Learning workshops
- Peer mentoring
- Assignment writing
- Group work tips
- Postgraduate support
- Appointments with Learning Advisors

Student Support: my.uq.edu.au/student-support

Learning Advisors: my.uq.edu.au/contact/student-life/how-learning-adviser-can-help
Free English language support

English for Academic Communication (EAC)
General and Discipline Specific

Academic English classes for UQ Students

English for Academic Communication (EAC) courses support international students and students with English as an additional language to participate fully and succeed in their UQ course.

EAC courses:
- Are free
- Are interactive workshops with opportunities to practice language and receive feedback
- Help you communicate clearly and effectively in academic contexts
- Help you take part in academic life at UQ
- Help you achieve your learning goals
- Can be one of your five supplementary activities for a UQ Employability Award.

Register - New Students  Register - Returning Students

uqcollege.uq.edu.au/study-options/english-courses/eac

Communication Learning in Practice for Scientists (CLiPS)

Communication skills for science students

CLiPS for University is designed to provide you with some of the essential information on communication skills that you will need during your science degree.

The modules align with the variety of assessment items found within the sciences, from short-answer questions to PowerPoint presentations.

uqcollege.uq.edu.au/study-options/english-courses/eac

www.clips.edu.au
UQ Library – so much more than just books!

Online resources:
• Access textbooks, journals, course readings and past exams
• Get help on how to borrow and how to search the Library
• Learn research techniques & referencing guides
• Access subject guides (specialised resources for your subject)
• Assignment planner
• Tips for studying online + online exam preparation
• Course reading lists (+ instructions on how to manage your readings)
• Digital Essentials modules (build your study and assignment skills)

Training & academic skills:
• Skills or software training classes
• Upgrade your digital skills online
• LinkedIn Learning software and training courses
• Get science subject-specific help from specialist librarians
• Online IT help (AskUs team) – live chat function
Helpful Science links

**Science Study Planner** *(course enrolment guide)*
planner.science.uq.edu.au

**Careers that started in science** *(alumni and graduate profiles)*
career-profiles.science.uq.edu.au

**Academic Help and Support**
science.uq.edu.au/student-support/academic-help-and-general-enquiries

**Science Student Experience team**
science.uq.edu.au/student-support/your-student-experience-team

**Science Clubs and Societies**
science.uq.edu.au/student-support/clubs-and-societies
Get Connected – UQ Apps

Apps

**UQnav**
Interactive maps of UQ's St Lucia, Gatton and Herston campuses. Find lecture theatres, laboratories, school and faculty offices, as well as where to have a coffee, a bite to eat, or catch up with friends.

**UQ SafeZone**
A free location-based app that connects you directly with UQ security officers or emergency services while on campus.

**MyTimetable**
UQ’s official course timetable planner, that lets you check your class schedule on the go.

**Blackboard Mobile Learn**
Keep up with your courses by accessing your lecture notes and recordings whenever and wherever you want.

Mobile phones

Australia has three main mobile phone networks: Telstra, Optus and Vodafone. All networks are GSM and all offer 4G services, so you may be able to use an Australian SIM card in a phone you already own (Europe and Asia). A wide range of mobile plans are available (pre-paid, SIM only and more), and SIM cards are inexpensive, widely available and easy to activate.

There are a wide range of plan providers for each network, some include:

**Telstra Network Providers:** Telstra, Boost Mobile, Woolworths Mobile, ALDI Mobile

**Optus Network Providers:** Optus, Virgin Mobile, Amaysim, Coles, Vaya

**Vodafone Network Providers:** Vodafone, Lebara Mobile Providers

TIP: UQ Welcome Bags will also include an Australian SIM which you can use immediately. Welcome Bags will be provided via the Airport Reception Service.

Download these and other helpful apps [my.uq.edu.au/mobile-apps](http://my.uq.edu.au/mobile-apps) and get organised prior to your arrival.
Your First Weeks at UQ

- Complete the **UQ Digital Essentials** modules
- Complete the **Academic Integrity Modules** *compulsory*
- Get to know your campus – Attend a guided **Campus Tour**
- Book a **Library Tour**
- Review the **safety services on campus**
- Register for **academic / study workshops** like **JSAPP** and **TPP**
- Know where to get help through the **International Student Support** services
- Join the **UQ Wellbeing** workshops and activities (more support services)
- Attend **Market Day** on Wed, 26 July 2023 (Week 1) free giveaways and social events
- Join the **Get Set Mentoring** program (Weeks 1-4) online and in-person
- Visit the **UQLife website** to find social events and activities
- Join a student club or society with the **UQ Union**
- Register for professional networking activities the **Student Employability Centre**
- Get to know **Brisbane and surrounds**

**Adjusting to UQ:** [study.uq.edu.au/university-life/adjusting-uq?studentType=international](study.uq.edu.au/university-life/adjusting-uq?studentType=international)
Reminder: Who should I ask for help?
Who should I contact for help?

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Phone: +61 7 5460 1276
Email: enquire@science.uq.edu.au

Website: science.uq.edu.au/contact

Office hours: Monday to Friday
8:30am – 4:30pm *Brisbane AEST time

Science Student Enquiries team can assist with:

- Planning your studies (choosing courses each semester)
- Enrolment in SI-net
- Study mode queries (changing from External to Internal study mode)
- Timetabling queries *see below
- Booking academic advising appointments
- Credit for prior study (credit exemptions or RPL)
- Under-enrolment or overloading
- Program and Major/Field of Study change queries
- Progress checks and program variations
- Graduation advice
- Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) extension requests and advice

Timetabling queries
Preferencing issues, class allocations, timetable clashes, no available classes (waitlisting), etc.

Email only: science.mytimetable@uq.edu.au

Always include your full name + program + UQ Student ID number (for example: 41234567) + a description of your issue
Contact your School

School of Agricultural and Food Sustainability (AGFS)
Phone: +61 7 3365 1171 (St Lucia)
+61 7 5460 1321 (Gatton)
Email: agriculture@enquire.uq.edu.au
Website: agriculture-food-sustainability.uq.edu.au

School of Biomedical Sciences (SBMS)
Phone: +61 7 3365 3132
Email: sbms@enquire.uq.edu.au
Website: https://biomedical-sciences.uq.edu.au/

School of Chemistry and Molecular Biology (SCMB)
Phone: +61 7 3365 3925
Email: enquiries@scmb.uq.edu.au
Website: https://scmb.uq.edu.au/

School of the Environment (SENV)
Phone: +61 7 3365 3326
Email: environment@enquire.uq.edu.au
Website: environment.uq.edu.au

School of Mathematics and Physics (SMP)
Phone: +61 7 3365 3265
Email: smp.student@uq.edu.au
Website: https://smp.uq.edu.au/

School of Veterinary Science (SVS)
Phone: +61 7 5460 1834
Email: vetenquiries@uq.edu.au
Website: https://veterinary-science.uq.edu.au/

Office hours: usually 8:30am – 4:30pm Brisbane AEST time

Always include your full name + program + UQ Student ID number (for example: 41234567) + a description of your issue

Your School can assist with:
- Permission to enrol in certain courses
- Planning your studies (PG)
- Lectures / Tutorials / Practicals
- Electronic Course Profile (ECP) questions
- Accessing lecture recordings and learning materials (via Learn.UQ Blackboard and Echo360)
- Contacting your course coordinator or program director
- Assessments and exam queries
- Grades and marking
- Graduation checks
Other types of help

Activating your UQ Student Account  
*Can’t access UQ student email?*

*if you have accepted your Offer, made the payment and received your CoE, and are still waiting for an email from UQ to activate your student account*

**UQ IT Support (ITS)**
Phone: +61 7 3346 4312
Email: help@its.uq.edu.au
8:00am - 5:00pm Brisbane AEST (Monday-Friday)

Live Chat with UQ Library’s Ask Us team (during office hours)

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Tuition fees or payment queries  
*Need help making payment?*

**UQ Student Central**
Phone: +61 7 3365 2600 or 1300 275 870
Email: student.services@uq.edu.au
8:30am - 5:00pm Brisbane AEST time (Monday-Friday)
Website: [https://my.uq.edu.au/contact/student-central](https://my.uq.edu.au/contact/student-central)
Live chat available during office hours

UQ Fees office: fees@uq.edu.au

How to pay your tuition fees – [more information](#)

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Student support:
- Accommodation and airport pick up
- Admissions, enrolment and fees
- Counselling, wellbeing and support
- Learning advisors and study skills assistance
- Financial hardship assistance
- Disability and inclusion support

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Visa Assistance

**Your agent**
*Always speak with your agent first!*

Find a UQ-approved agent: [https://study.uq.edu.au/contact/find-approved-uq-agent-near-you](https://study.uq.edu.au/contact/find-approved-uq-agent-near-you)

**Department of Home Affairs**
Phone: 131 888 or +61 2 6196 0196
W: [https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/](https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/)

**UQ Visa Team**
Phone: The Student Central team may be able to answer some of your questions about visas or re-direct you to the Visa Team
Email: uqvisaofficer@uq.edu.au

**UQ Union Visa Assistance**
Student run visa assistance

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**UQ staff cannot provide you with visa advice – always speak with a qualified education agent!**
Science Starter Program

Upcoming events

**Tuesday, 1 August 2023**  
*3:00pm – 5:00pm

*Drop-In Helper Session (Week 2)*

Need help? Speak with support staff about:

- last-minute admissions, enrolment and timetabling advice,
- navigating UQ systems,
- key dates and deadlines,
- where to go for assistance, and
- troubleshooting and support (live Q&A).

**Register:** bit.ly/UQ_2023_ScienceStarter4

*Missed the previous sessions?*

**Watch the recordings:** bit.ly/UQ_2023_S2_ScienceStarter_AllContent

*Times shown are Brisbane AEST time UTC +10*
Please take our survey

*How can we improve the Science Starter Program webinars?* Take our 5 minute survey! 😊

**Go to:**


**Or use QR code:**

WIN
Take our survey before Friday, 21 July

2x AUD $50 gift vouchers to be won!
Please take our survey

Science International Welcome
St Lucia (21 July 2023)

How can we improve the Science Orientation experience? Take our 3 minute survey! 😊

Go to:
[uoq.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0rk70SAIDVAIvNQ](uoq.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0rk70SAIDVAIvNQ)

Or use QR code:
Audience Q&A
Contact us

science.uq.edu.au

Science International team

science.international@uq.edu.au

Ms Grace Li
International Manager
Faculty of Science

Ms Margeaux Chandler
Senior International Engagement Officer
Faculty of Science