

Applying to QTAC

In 2026

Acknowledgement of country

QTAC acknowledge the traditional owners of the land where we gather today and pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging community leaders.

QTAC also acknowledge the important role of aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people in the field of education and in the communities we work with.

Who is QTAC?

- Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre
- Not-for-profit organisation
- Apply through QTAC for over 1800 courses at 17 Queensland and northern New South Wales institutions
- Calculate and release the Queensland ATAR and IBAS
- And so much more!

Apply through QTAC to study at any of these Queensland institutions



Looking to study interstate?

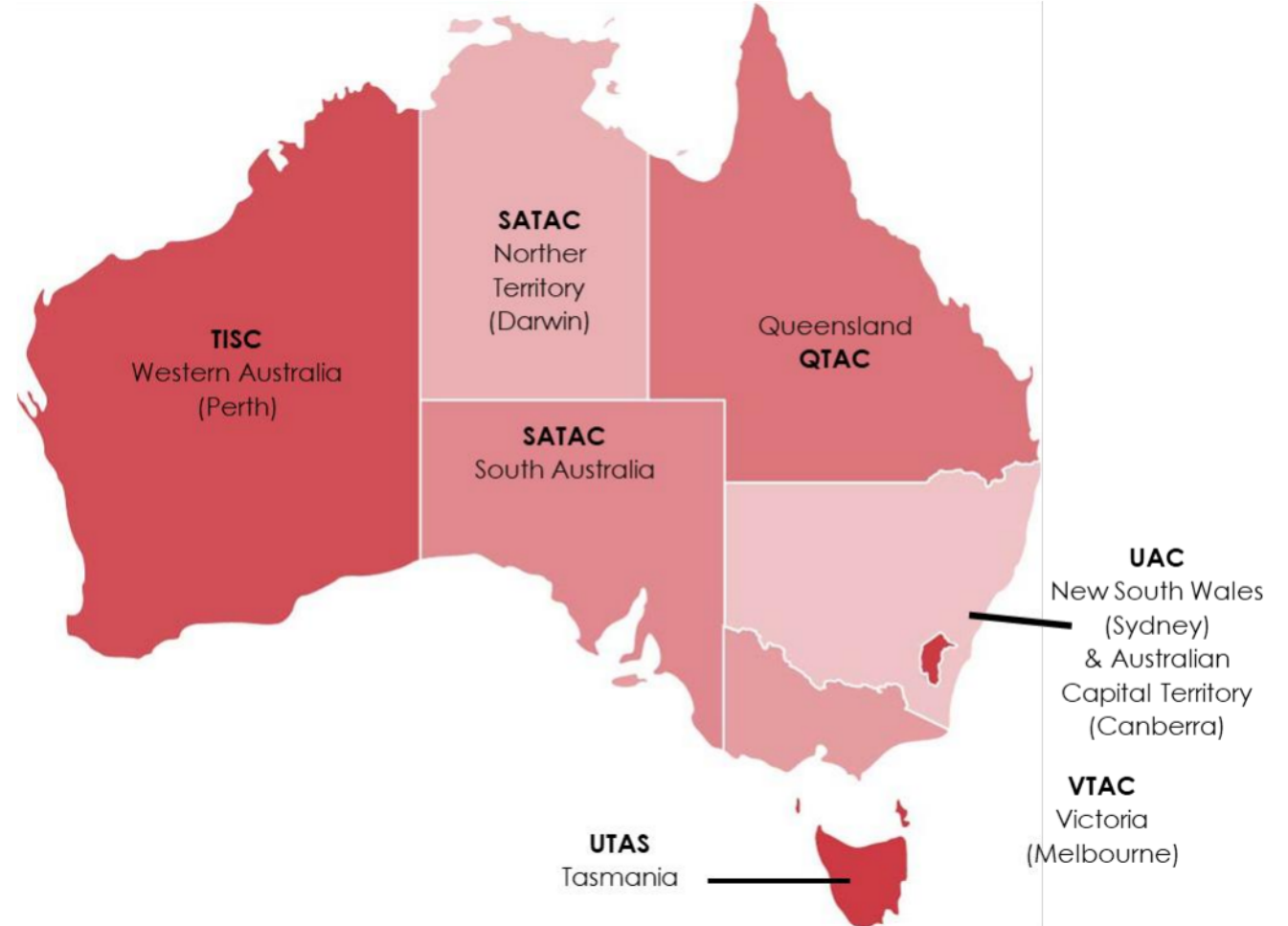
Each State

- Are completely independent of one another
- Deliver the ATAR and IBAS
- Have an Admissions Cycle (starting with a time of year, you can begin an application to commence study)

Check out



courseseeker.edu.au



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 Sarah

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





**How can Sarah find her
course options?**

FIND A COURSE

Search over 1800 courses

education

Select Institution

Search

How can Sarah find her course options?

Once Sarah 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 Education (Primary)

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Education

This program gives students the skills, knowledge and experience for a stimulating and rewarding career as a Primary school teacher. Students learn to design and deliver effective teaching programs from Foundation (Prep) to Year 6. Core ...

Full time	Part time	Course Fee CSP	University of Southern Queensland - Toowoomba	Start Date	Feb 2026	Jun 2026
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Duration
4 years Full time or 8 years Part time

Offer Rounds 15 Jan 2026, 12 Mar 2026

Overview	Admissions Criteria	Student Profile	Career Possibilities
Course outline This program gives students the skills, knowledge and experience for a stimulating and rewarding career as a Primary school teacher. Students learn to design and deliver effective teaching programs from Foundation (Prep) to Year 6. Core courses help to deliver graduates who are prepared and confident in their teaching ability for a diverse range of learners. Students study in a flexible, engaging and dynamic environment with professionals who have experience in primary classrooms. This program is accredited with the Queensland College of Teachers and graduates are eligible to apply for registration as a teacher in school contexts. For more program information, visit Education and Teaching at UniSQ. University of Southern Queensland			



How can Sarah find her course options?

To keep her options open, Sarah 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 education.

FIND A COURSE

Search over 1800 courses

Q education 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.

ACU APAC BOND UNIVERSITY CHC CQUniversity GRIFFITH COLLEGE

[Review historic course search listings here](#)

Showing 1 - 20 of 432 Sort by: Title

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (Secondary)
Christian Heritage College - Carindale

This online or on-campus course prepares you for the full range of Secondary years teaching (Years 7-12) in two teaching areas, with a strong focus on building academic capacity, personal development and a love of learning within students. This co...

Full time Part time Start Date Feb 2026 Jul 2026 Course Code: 081201

Bachelor of Education Griffith University - Logan

Teacher education at Griffith focuses on wellbeing and inclusive education, ensuring you enter the classroom with the skills to make a difference. You'll be equipped to teach in early childhood, primary or secondary school settings.

Full time Part time Start Date Mar 2026 Jul 2026 Course Code: 261422

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary)
Australian Catholic University - Brisbane

The Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary) qualifies you to teach children from birth to 12 years of age within early learning, kindergartens, prior to school, and primary school settings. Focused on developing children's foundation a...

Full time Part time Start Date Mar 2026 Jul 2026 Course Code: 113541

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary)
University of New England - Armidale

The Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary) is a unique teacher education course that offers two career options for graduates. It is an initial-teacher education qualification that encompasses working with children from birth to age 12...

Full time Part time Start Date Feb 2026 Course Code: 666961

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood)
UniSC - University of the Sunshine Coast - Sunshine Coast

The early years of children's lives are incredibly important. This nationally accredited program focuses on children aged 0-6 years. Develop competence and expertise to contribute to young children's sense of agency, wellbeing and learning capability...

Full time Part time Start Date Mar 2026 Jul 2026 Course Code: 017401

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood)
Queensland University of Technology - Kelvin GroveOnline

This course prepares you as an early childhood educator to teach young children in prior-to-school settings (e.g., kindergarten) and the lower years of primary school (Prep-Year 3). You will demonstrate achievement of the Australian Professional S...

Full time Part time Start Date Mar 2026 Jul 2026 Course Code: 454163

Preferences

What is preferencing?

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

You can list up to 6 preferences on your application.

If you change your mind, that's okay

You can change your preferences for free 3 times.

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

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

Ordering your preferences

1
2

Desired Courses

Courses you want to study the most

3
4

Back-up courses

Courses you would be happy to study

5
6

Pathway Courses

Courses that will help you upgrade into the course you really want

Sarah's course preferences

- 1 Bachelor of Education - Griffith
- 2 Bachelor of Music - Griffith
- 3 Bachelor of Education (Primary) - CQU
- 4 Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Education (Secondary)- UQ
- 5 Bachelor of Primary Education- UniSC
- 6 Bachelor of Education (Primary) - JCU

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

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/

How is merit determined?

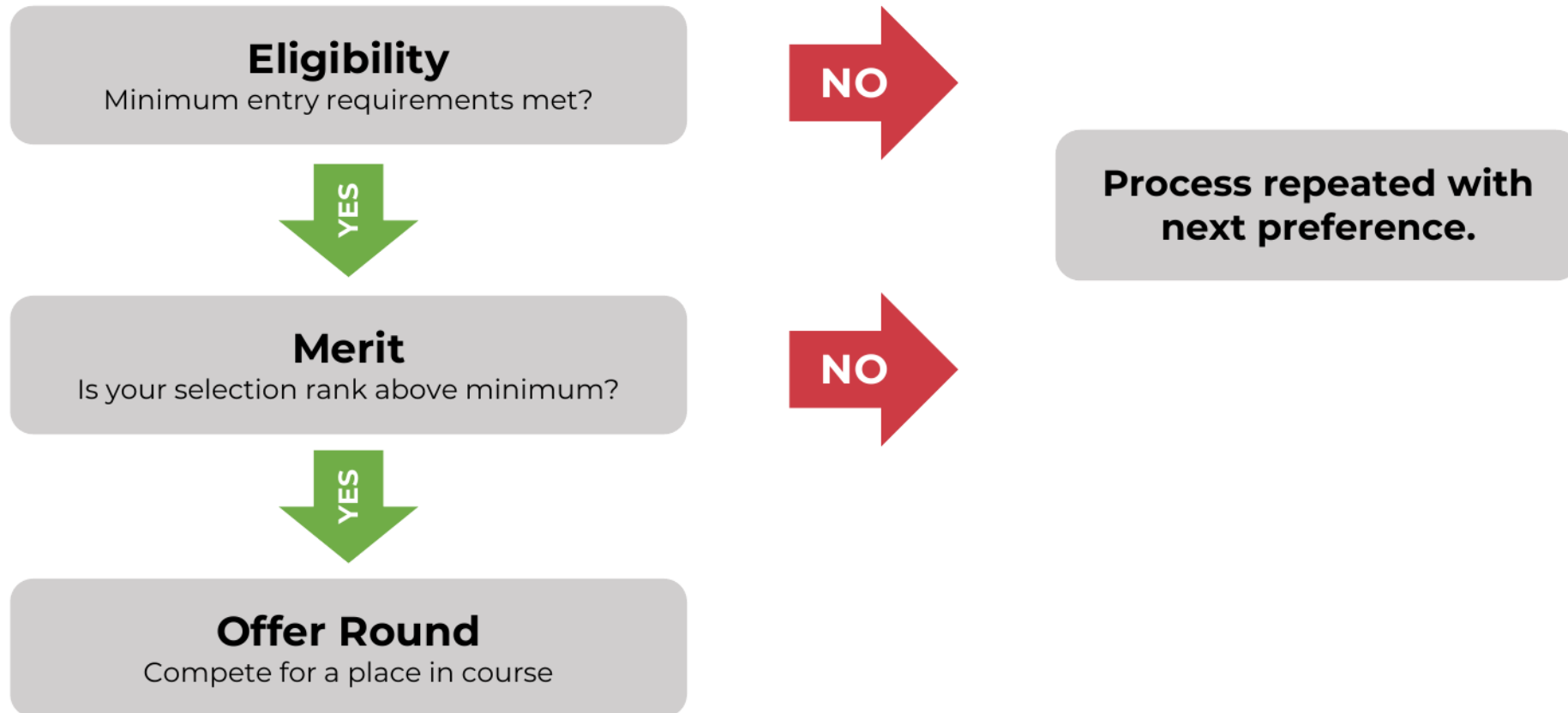
Your merit is determined by your QTAC Selection Rank.

Applicants are allocated ranks based on their assessable qualifications.

Selection ranks can come from:

- ATARs
- IBAS
- 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

Breaking it down



Offer Rounds

January Offer Round		Eligibility requirements met	Course rank cut off		Sarah's ATAR 62.5
1	Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Education (Secondary) - UO	YES	72	↓	
2	Bachelor of Music - Griffith	NO		NO OFFER	
3	Bachelor of Education (Primary) - JCU	YES	64.55	↓	
4	Bachelor of Education - Griffith	YES	62.15	OFFER	
5	Bachelor of Primary Education - UniSC	YES	62.7		
6	Bachelor of Education (Primary) - CQU	YES	6w		

**Congratulations, you
received an offer.
What now?**

Responding to your offer

Bachelor of Education (261422)

 Starts **Jul 2026** at Griffith University, Logan Campus

Main Offer Round on **22 Jan 2026**

Consider applying for the linked Griffith Diploma see griffith.edu.au/undergraduate-diplomas. Prior study may grant credit see griffith.edu.au/credit.

 Offer Conditionally Accepted ELIGIBILITY

Well done!

You've **RESERVED** the offer of Bachelor of Education on 8 Jun 2026.

You'll be considered for your higher preferences in future offer rounds. If you are made a new offer, you may lose your place in this course.

Already enrolled in a different course? Please contact the institution to un-enrol and to avoid fees.

You can change your response until 4:00 pm 12 Jun 2026. 

Change Your Response

ACCEPT DEFER DECLINE CANCEL

Accept or reserve your offer Start in future date Decline this offer

GETTING STARTED AT GRIFFITH

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

Congratulations, you have received an offer.

**But what if you
have changed
your mind?**

December Offer Round

- 1** Bachelor of Education - Griffith
- 2** Bachelor of Music - Griffith
- 3** Bachelor of Education (Primary) - CQU
- 4** Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Education (Secondary) - UQ
- 5** Bachelor of Primary Education - UniSC
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ACCEPT

**You have received
an offer.**

**But it's not your
first choice.**

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December Offer Round

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

OFFER

You have received an offer.

But it is not your first choice.

December Offer Round

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CONDITIONAL
ACCEPT

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
- School relationships
- Subject Schemes
- Elite athletes
- Introductory study
- Equity
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

ATAR

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QCE and the ATAR – What is the difference?

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

 qcaa.edu.au



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.



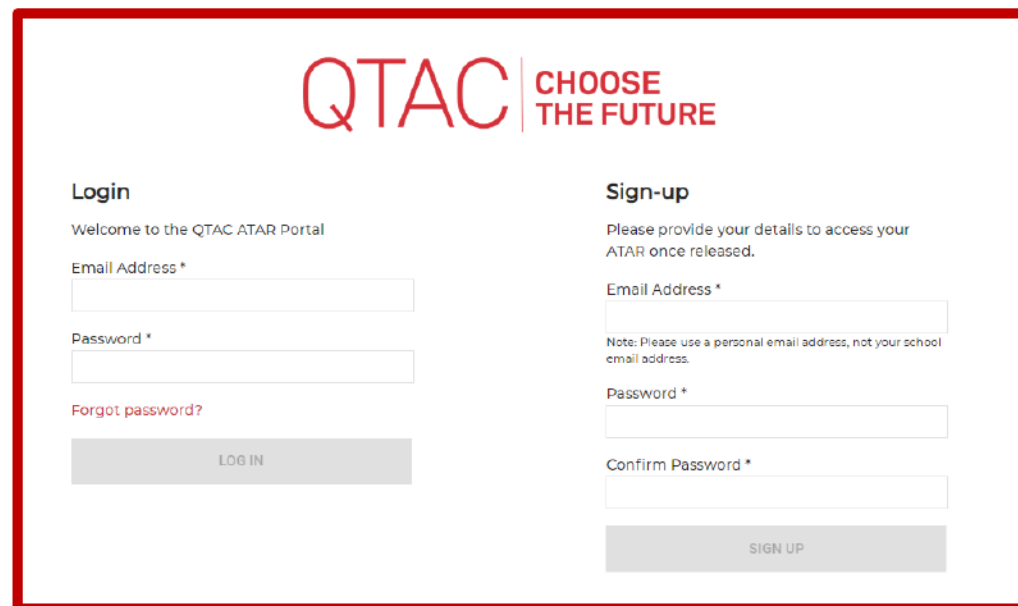
ATAR

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.

Accessing your ATAR

- Current Queensland Year 12 students can open their ATAR account with QTAC from Tuesday 4 August
- Students who wish to study interstate also need to create an ATAR account
- ATARs will be released on 18 December
- If you wish to apply to commence tertiary study in 2027, 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**



The screenshot displays the QTAC ATAR Portal interface, which is divided into two main sections: Login and Sign-up. The QTAC logo and the tagline "CHOOSE THE FUTURE" are positioned at the top right. The Login section on the left includes a welcome message, input fields for Email Address and Password, a "Forgot password?" link, and a "LOG IN" button. The Sign-up section on the right includes a request for details, input fields for Email Address, Password, and Confirm Password, a note about using a personal email address, and a "SIGN UP" button.

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Login
Welcome to the QTAC ATAR Portal

Email Address *

Password *

[Forgot password?](#)

LOG IN

Sign-up
Please provide your details to access your ATAR once released.

Email Address *

Note: Please use a personal email address, not your school email address.

Password *

Confirm Password *

SIGN UP

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

Hello **Harry**

Your Australian Tertiary Admission Rank

Graduating Year	Date of Issue	ATAR
2024	13/12/2024	Pending Release

☒ I want to receive an email notifying me that my ATAR result has been released.

Your Details

Edit Your Details

Name

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Harry Thompson

0123456789

Date of Birth

01/01/2007

Phone

+61 400000000

If your details are incorrect, you may not be matched correctly with your QCAA student data or ATAR results.

Email

harry.thompson2007@gmail.com

Edit Email

Your Data

Exit Year	QCAA Data	ATAR Data
2024	Confirmed	Pending Release

When your account cannot be matched to both QCAA or ATAR data you will be unable to receive your ATAR for your graduating year. If you have no matches on QCAA or ATAR data and the data has been released please [contact us](#).

Data Privacy

Optional consent (please tick the box if you do not consent)

☐ I do not consent to my ATAR or ATAR eligibility as determined by QTAC being shared with the school I attended in year 12.

Disclaimer: QTAC discloses individual ATARs and ATAR eligibility, as calculated by QTAC, to the school you attended in year 12. If you do not consent to QTAC disclosing your individual ATAR or ATAR eligibility to the school you attended in year 12, please opt out by selecting the tick box. If you do not opt out, the school you attended in year 12 will be provided with your individual ATAR or ATAR eligibility. Irrespective of whether you opt out, your ATAR will form part of any aggregated (de-identified) ATAR results that may be provided to your school. If you do not opt out when creating either your ATAR account or your QTAC application and later wish to exercise your option to opt-out, you may change your option in the ATAR portal on the 'Your Details' page, or use the 'Manage Account' option in the QTAC Application portal.
[QTAC Customer Declaration](#)

ATAR Release

- **Friday 18 December 2026**
- **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

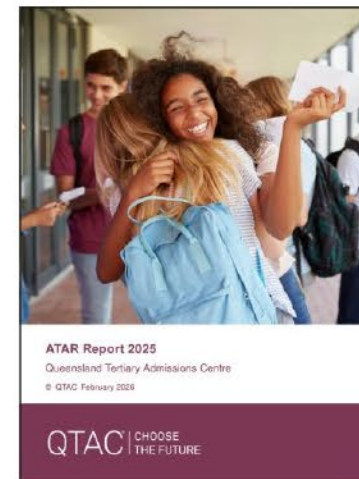
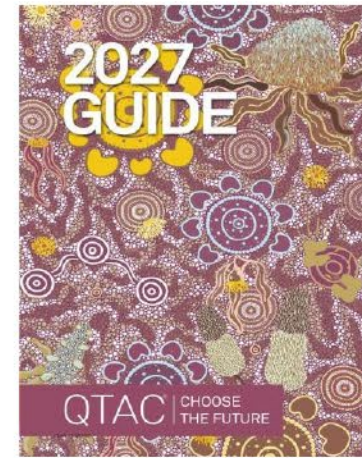
For more details on changes to subjects and curriculum,
visit the QCAA website

Extra Help

QTAC factsheets and publications

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

 qtac.edu.au/media-centre



Remind Me

Receive helpful information and reminders of key dates for QTAC Applications and ATAR release



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Any questions?

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