

TAFE QUEENSLAND

General admissions information

To be eligible for admission to a TAFE Queensland course, you must satisfy entry requirements. These requirements include English language proficiency, subject prerequisites, and for some courses, course specific entry requirements. For most TAFE Queensland courses, you will be selected if you have met English language proficiency, prerequisites (if applicable) and have completed Year 12 or attained Year 12 leaving age.

For some courses you will be selected on your [OP/selection rank](#). Course-specific information can be found on our [website](#) or QTAC's [website](#).

Applicants with higher education study

For most TAFE Queensland courses, you will be selected for entry if you have met English language proficiency, prerequisites (if applicable) and have completed Year 12 or attained Year 12 leaving age.

For courses where selection is based on OP/selection rank note the following:

If you have undertaken previous recognised higher education level study (e.g. AQF Bachelor degree level and higher) this study will be assigned a selection rank based on the level, duration and Grade Point Average (GPA) of the study.

If you have several selection ranks calculated (e.g. ranks based on year 12 results, VET study, higher education study, employment), you will generally be considered on the highest selection rank.

Applicants with completed bridging or enabling course

TAFE Queensland recognises a number of other tertiary preparation, bridging and foundation programs offered by higher education providers across Australia which may satisfy English language proficiency, subject prerequisites and other entry requirements. Contact TAFE Queensland for more information.

Applicants with vocational education and training (VET) study

For most TAFE Queensland courses, you will be selected for entry if you have met English language proficiency, prerequisites (if applicable) and have completed Year 12 or attained Year 12 leaving age.

For courses where selection is based on OP/selection rank note the following:

Competency-based and graded AQF Certificates III and IV (if completed), AQF diplomas and sub-degree level study (based on level, duration, Grade Point Average (GPA)) will be assigned a selection rank.

If you have several selection ranks calculated (e.g. ranks based on year 12 results, VET study, higher education study, employment), you will generally be considered on the highest rank.

Applicants with recent secondary education (within the past two years)

Current Year 12 applicants

For most TAFE Queensland courses, you will be selected for entry if you have met English language proficiency, prerequisites (if applicable) and have completed Year 12 or attained Year 12 leaving age.

For courses where selection is based on OP/selection rank note the following:

Current Queensland Year 12 OP-eligible students will be considered for an offer based on the OP (or other recognised qualifications undertaken while at school).

Current Queensland Year 12 students' ineligible to receive an OP will be assigned a QTAC selection rank based on this study and will be considered for an offer based on this selection rank (or other recognised qualifications undertaken while at school).

Current Interstate Year 12 students will be assigned a selection rank based on their ATAR and will be considered for an offer based on this selection rank (or other recognised qualifications undertaken while at school).

Current International Baccalaureate (IB) students will be assigned a selection rank based on their score from their completed IB Diploma. As agreed by admissions centres around Australia, the IB score is converted to a 'combined rank'. The combined rank is on the same scale as the ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank). This is then converted to QTAC selection rank. For more information see <http://www.qtac.edu.au/for-schools/international-baccalaureate-ib-studies>. IB Diploma students will be considered for an offer based on this selection rank (or other recognised qualifications undertaken while at school).

Other recognised qualifications completed when at school such as competency-based and graded AQF Certificates III and IV (completed), diplomas, higher education study, and some creative arts qualifications (in the areas of music, dance, and speech) will also be assigned a selection rank.

If you have several selection ranks calculated (e.g. ranks based on year 12 results, VET study, higher education study, employment), you will generally be considered on the highest rank.

Completed Year 12 (within the last two years)

Year 12 results (OP/selection rank) do not expire once you have left school. Whether this result is considered for an offer to a course will depend on whether you have additional qualifications (including other recognised qualifications completed while at school or post school).

This includes formal qualifications such as Senior External Examination results, higher education study (e.g. Bachelor degree level and higher), VET study such as competency-based and graded AQF Certificates III and IV (completed), diplomas and sub-degree level study and bridging and preparation courses. Other post-secondary professional and paraprofessional qualifications and service will be considered including:

- some creative arts, language and civil aviation qualifications
- memberships of professional associations for which qualifying exams are undertaken
- police, defence and emergency services experience

You may also use [alternative entry pathways](#) such as employment experience and the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) (age restrictions apply).

If you have several selection ranks calculated (e.g. ranks based on year 12 results, VET study, higher education study, employment), you will generally be considered on the highest rank.

Completed Year 12 (more than two years ago)

For most TAFE Queensland courses, you will be selected for entry if you have met English language proficiency, prerequisites (if applicable) and have completed Year 12 or attained Year 12 leaving age.

For courses where selection is based on OP/selection rank note the following:

Year 12 results (OP/selection rank) do not expire once you have left school. Whether this result is considered for an offer to a course will depend on whether you have additional qualifications (including other recognised qualifications completed while at school or post school).

This includes formal qualifications such as Senior External Examination results, higher education study (e.g. Bachelor degree level and higher), VET study such as competency-based and graded AQF Certificates III and IV (completed), diplomas and sub-degree level study and bridging and preparation courses. Other post-secondary professional and paraprofessional qualifications and service will be considered including:

- some creative arts, language and civil aviation qualifications
- memberships of professional associations for which qualifying exams are undertaken
- police, defence and emergency services experience

You may also use [alternative entry pathways](#) such as employment experience and the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) (age restrictions apply).

If you have several selection ranks calculated (e.g. ranks based on year 12 results, VET study, higher education study, employment), you will generally be considered on the highest rank.

Applicants with work and life experience (*accordion drop down*)

For most TAFE Queensland courses, you will be selected for entry if you have met English language proficiency, prerequisites (if applicable) and other course specific entry requirements and have completed Year 12 or attained Year 12 leaving age.

For courses where selection is based on OP/selection rank note the following:

If you do not have formal qualifications you may use [alternative entry pathways](#) such as employment experience and the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) (age restrictions apply). STAT and employment experience are not accepted for current Year 12 students.

If you have several selection ranks calculated (e.g. ranks based on year 12 results, VET study, higher education study, employment), you will generally be considered on the highest rank.

Credit transfer/recognition of prior learning

Students who have completed prior higher education study may be eligible for credit transfer. Credit transfer applications must be supported by certified copies of the student's testamur, record of results or graduation statement. Credit transfer is awarded if higher education units:

- have an endorsed equivalency relationship is mapped and documented by TAFE Queensland and meets the 75% similarity test for specified credit against a same/like unit; or
- have a credit arrangement documented between TAFE Queensland and another organisation; or
- where there are provisions for unspecified credit in the TAFE Queensland higher education course of study.

Awards issued in excess of ten years will not be considered as evidence toward credit transfer and /or articulation except where the course is recognised by external registration bodies.

Students with relevant work and life experience (non-formal courses, professional or work experience) may apply for recognition of prior learning (RPL). Students will be required to submit an RPL application with supporting documentation and/or certified copies as applicable.

An initial interview may be arranged by TAFE Queensland to further discuss and advise the student on suitability/eligibility for RPL (and any gap training) as required. Students will be advised of the outcome of their suitability/eligibility for RPL prior to the start of study.

Contact [TAFE Queensland](#) for more information about credit transfer or recognition of prior learning.

Bridging and Enabling Course Entry

TAFE Queensland offers the Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation (10397NAT) course. This course is ideal for applicants who did not complete Year 12 or have been away from formal study for some time. It provides a pathway to diploma, advanced diploma, associate degree and university undergraduate courses. It helps to develop: life-long learning skills; information communication technology skills; higher order literacy and numeracy skills; analytical thinking and problem-solving skills; and foundation knowledge and skills in a variety of specific fields of study, depending on the electives you choose.

Students can specialise in Language and Learning (core), Australian Society, Biology, Computing for Academic Purposes, Family and Consumer Studies, Modern World History, Psychology, Environmental Studies, Chemistry, Legal Studies, Mathematics General (equivalent to Maths A), Mathematics Pure (equivalent to Maths B), Physics.

Applicants must be 18 or turn 18 years of age within six months of starting the course.

[Find out more about CATP at TAFE Queensland.](#)

OP/Selection Rank Related Adjustments

Educational Access Scheme (EAS): EAS is for students who have experienced difficult circumstances that have adversely impacted on their studies. To be considered applicants apply to [QTAC](#) for a confidential assessment of their circumstances. Maximum bonus points of four (4) OPs or eight (8) selection ranks may apply.

Criteria that may apply in addition to OP/Selection Rank

Most art, music and performing arts, graphic design, diplomas and advanced diplomas require portfolio, audition or music demonstration submission for entry.

Refer to specific course entry requirements on our [website](#) or QTAC's [website](#).

Additional information

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

Refer to our [website](#) for more information about student support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Domestic students with overseas qualifications

Domestic students with overseas qualifications should [contact TAFE](#) Queensland for information on how their qualifications will be assessed for entry.

English language proficiency

TAFE Queensland requires students to demonstrate that they can speak, write, read and comprehend English to a specified standard. [Visit English language proficiency](#) for information on TAFE's English proficiency requirements, including ways to demonstrate English language proficiency.