CAREER NEWS

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1. **BOND University News – February 2017**

**Student Experience Days**

We offer a range of Experience Days for students to come in and explore what pathways are available to them once they move on to tertiary study. For more information about our Experience Days, visit [here](#).

**Criminology – Year 10, 11 and 12**  
**Wednesday, 5 April**  
What makes a criminal mind tick? Students are invited to take part in the crime analysis of an actual case and gain an insight into the world of criminal justice. Students can now register for the event [here](#).

**Architecture Day – Year 10, 11 and 12**  
**Thursday, 20 April**  
Students can experience what it’s like to be an architect for a day. We will take students through our state-of-the-art workshop and fabrication lab where students can build models with our woodworking equipment, 3D printers and laser cutter. Students can now register for the event [here](#).

**Bond University Twilight Open Day**  
**Saturday, 22 July**  
Our annual Bond University Twilight Open Day is on Saturday, 22 July from 2pm. Join us and you'll receive an all-access pass to our campus so you can experience university in a whole new light. Keep up to date with more information about our upcoming Open Day [here](#).

**Bond University Scholarship Program**  
We will offer a number of scholarships to the best and brightest students. Scholarship applications are open from 1 April to 31 July, and award up to 100% tuition remission for single and combined degrees (excluding Bond’s Medical Program). Students who excel in the areas of academia, leadership, community and sport are encouraged to review the scholarships available and apply online at [www.bond.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.bond.edu.au/scholarships). Please note, following a recent university review, only students who are predicted to achieve the following or better Year 12 results will be prioritised to apply for an academic scholarship: OP 1 – 5; or IB Equivalent 33 or above.  
Visit our [website](#) for more information or read more about our scholarships in the [2018 Bond University Scholarship brochure](#).
Faculty of Health Sciences & Medicine Packages
Did you know students can accelerate their career in health by completing both a Bachelors degree and Masters specialisation in just 4 years? We are excited to announce our new Bachelors / Masters package options. When students complete their undergraduate degree, they can automatically be accepted into the professional Masters program. Students can pick one of the following degree packages*:

- Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science and Dr of Physiotherapy
- Bachelor of Health Sciences and Master of Occupational Therapy
- Bachelor of Health Sciences & Master of Nutrition and Dietetic Practice
- Bachelor of Biomedical Science and Master of Nutrition and Dietetic Practice
- Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science and Master of Nutrition and Dietetic Practice
* GPA requirements may apply

Update: Bachelor of Creative Arts
The Bachelor of Creative Arts degree has now seen a revised offering of forty majors across disciplines: Humanities, Sports, Communication, Business, Creative Media, Communication, Criminology (social science) and Environmental Studies (urban affairs), Language, Psychology. Read more about the degree here.

Journalism at Bond University
The journalism industry is constantly changing, and so is our Journalism degree at Bond. At Bond, not only will students learn to craft and tell a story- they'll also have the opportunity to specialise in the area their passionate about. Now with a revised offering of fifteen majors across disciplines: Humanities, Sports, Communication, Business, Creative Media, Communication, Criminology (social science) and Environmental Studies (urban affairs). See dynamic Journalism in action here.

2. Career News Items
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Universities

UQ's Sport Science Ranks Top 5 Globally
Thinking of studying Sport Science after year 12? UQ's School of Human Movement and Nutrition Sciences has been ranked 4th and 5th in the world for Sport Science in two highly respected global rankings. https://www.uq.edu.au/news/article/2017/01/uq-sport-science-ranks-top-5-globally

QUT News and Events
Stay tuned with QUT'S weekly round-up of news and events for 2017. For frequent updates on news follow @QUTmedia on Twitter.

Griffith University Portal for School Students
Griffith University has a personalised page for Year 12 students, enabling them to choose what degree level they are interested in as well as what campus they want to study at. The webpage also provides a pdf of the 2017 undergraduate brochure. https://www.griffith.edu.au/study
**TAFE & Apprenticeships**

**HIA Apprenticeships**
HIA Apprenticeships are leaders in the selection, management and training of apprentices in the home building industry. They are currently seeking applications for the following:

- Apprentice Carpenters, Brisbane: [https://au.indeed.com/cmp/HIA-Apprentices/jobs/Apprentice-Carpenter-392a8d7d59391473](https://au.indeed.com/cmp/HIA-Apprentices/jobs/Apprentice-Carpenter-392a8d7d59391473)
- Apprentice Wall and Floor Tiler, Gold Coast: [https://au.indeed.com/cmp/HIA-Apprentices/jobs/Apprentice-Wall-Floor-Tiler-6778d2c23e9a98a7](https://au.indeed.com/cmp/HIA-Apprentices/jobs/Apprentice-Wall-Floor-Tiler-6778d2c23e9a98a7)


**TAFE Queensland SkillsTech Pre-apprenticeship program**
A pre-apprenticeship program is an excellent introduction into your chosen industry and will improve your prospects of gaining an apprenticeship within that industry. [http://tafeskillstech.edu.au/study-with-us/apprentices-trainees/pre-apprenticeship-programs](http://tafeskillstech.edu.au/study-with-us/apprentices-trainees/pre-apprenticeship-programs)

**Build a Career with REECE**
Reece and Murray Mallee Training Company Ltd have developed an Australian School based Apprenticeship Program (ASbA) offering exciting employment, training and career opportunities for students in Years 10 or 11 continuing to year 12. This national program, which is also promoted and supported by State and Commonwealth Governments, provides the opportunity for students to combine their studies with part time work at local Reece stores. Visit the website to search and apply for positions in your area: [http://www.reece.com.au/careers/asba](http://www.reece.com.au/careers/asba)

**Private Colleges**

**Brisbane School of Theology**
Open Night on Wednesday 10th May at 1 Cross Street, Toowong QLD 4066
Get a taste of what it’s like to study at Bible College by joining BST for one of their open lectures.
After lectures enjoy a complimentary supper and refreshments, and take the opportunity to chat with current students and staff. Or if you come a little early, take a tour of the campus at 6.10pm.
To register visit: [http://bst.qld.edu.au/opennights](http://bst.qld.edu.au/opennights)

**JMC Academy Creative Industries Open Day**
Saturday 20th May at JMC Academy Brisbane Campus. Check out what your future could hold with JMC Academy. On the day, you can take a campus tour, undertake a focused overview of your course of interest, and speak first-hand with current students and staff. [http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days/register-for-our-next-open-day-2016-(1)](http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days/register-for-our-next-open-day-2016-(1))

**Think Education FEE-HELP Guide**

**JMC Academy Open Day Brisbane**
20th May 2017, 75 Grey Street, South Brisbane. The open day includes tours, an overview of courses, and viewings of current student works. [http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days/register-for-our-next-open-day-2016-(1)](http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days/register-for-our-next-open-day-2016-(1))
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Southern Cross Cultural Exchange
If you are considering applying for a student exchange program, students and their parents are urged to attend an information session. The sessions are designed to give students and parents a realistic overview of the process, the countries, the experience and the benefits of an exchange program. All information sessions take place from 7pm-9pm: **Sunshine Coast**, Beach Club Resort, Mooloolaba, Monday 27th March and Wednesday 17th May. For more information: [http://www.scce.com.au/programs/information-sessions](http://www.scce.com.au/programs/information-sessions)

AFS Online Information Sessions
AFS is a leading student exchange and study abroad program for secondary school students. Many universities and employers seek students who have experienced the world beyond their own community and are comfortable with interacting and engaging with all sorts of people. This link provides parents with information about AFS and why their child should study abroad with them. [http://afs.org/study-abroad/information-for-parents/](http://afs.org/study-abroad/information-for-parents/)

Indigenous Scholarships Portal
The Aspiration Initiative website contains a wide range of scholarships that are available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. The scholarships range in value from a $500 one-off payment to $100,000 paid over the duration of a student’s course. The website features a search function which can filter scholarships by level of study, area of study, duration and institution. [https://www.indigenousscholarships.com.au/#/nav/landing-page](https://www.indigenousscholarships.com.au/#/nav/landing-page)

Applications open for Council’s Youth Engagement Program
Sunshine Coast Council is looking for young people to get involved in the Speak Up Youth Engagement Program. The new program will offer project management experience, mentoring, free formal professional and personal development training and the unique opportunity to work with Council staff to create a new Youth Action Plan. Applications are now open for 2017 and close 24th February (5pm). [https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/Living-and-Community/Community-Support/Young-People/Speak-Up-Engage](https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/Living-and-Community/Community-Support/Young-People/Speak-Up-Engage)

Australian Institute of Fitness Monty Dortkamp Scholarship
Applications closes 1st March. The Monty Dortkamp scholarship is awarded to students wishing to pursue a career in fitness either from a disadvantaged background or committed to bringing health and fitness to disadvantaged communities. The scholarship covers the tuition cost of a Master Trainer qualification, Certificate III in Fitness and Certificate IV in Fitness. There are five scholarships available annually. [http://fitness.edu.au/monty-dortkamp-scholarship/](http://fitness.edu.au/monty-dortkamp-scholarship/)

Goal Setting – Visual Tricks
This video can provide some hints on how to organise and manage tasks. [http://video.cnbc.com/gallery/?video=3000578051](http://video.cnbc.com/gallery/?video=3000578051)

Struggling with your first week of Chemistry?
Crash Course Chemistry provides videos spanning all topics of chemistry studied throughout Years 11 & 12. If you are struggling with a concept see if Crash Course can help: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FSyAehMdpyl&list=PL8dPuuaLjXtPHzzYuWy6fYEaX9mQQ8oGr](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FSyAehMdpyl&list=PL8dPuuaLjXtPHzzYuWy6fYEaX9mQQ8oGr)
Young People at Work
This website, run by the NSW Government, offers a range of advice on getting a job, workers’ rights, how to leave jobs, and other resources to help young people learn about work. [http://www.youngpeopleatwork.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.youngpeopleatwork.nsw.gov.au/)

The Good Universities Guide: Online and Distance Education

Challenges Abroad Australia
Challenges Abroad offers international volunteering and project opportunities for students. These can include internship experiences in fields such as Education, Business, Health, Sports or Media. These projects could set you on the path to your future career while contributing to communities overseas. [http://www.challengesabroad.com.au/](http://www.challengesabroad.com.au/)

UN State Conference
Friday 3rd March- Sunday 5th March
Are you in Years 10 – 12 and passionate about global issues, human rights or multiculturalism? On the 3rd- 5th March 2017, more than 125 students from across the state will meet at the Bornhoffen PCYC to take part in the global conversation. This event is for students to meet like-minded people, discuss issues, take part in workshops and hear from guest speakers, as well as participate in lots of social activities. [https://unyouth.org.au/event/state-conference/](https://unyouth.org.au/event/state-conference/)

Careers in Maths
Visit the Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute’s website to view a range of career profiles from Apprentice Chefs to Electricians to Nurses where mathematics is a necessary part of their everyday jobs. [http://mathsadds.amsi.org.au/](http://mathsadds.amsi.org.au/)

STEM Subjects – Why are they in Demand?

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Universities

ACU University Experience
University Experience is a free program that gives you the opportunity to sample the degree of your choice and get a taste of life at ACU by meeting academic staff and current students. If you're considering tertiary study, University Experience provides the perfect opportunity to explore your study options by living a day in the life of an ACU student. Brisbane - Thursday 6 July 2017. [http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/parents_And_career_advisors/career_advisors/?a=97108](http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/parents_And_career_advisors/career_advisors/?a=97108)
ACU Course Guide
Undergraduate, postgraduate and international course guides give prospective students of all ages and backgrounds a taste of what learning at ACU is like. Download the 2017 course guide here: http://www.acu.edu.au/about_acu/our_university/publications/course_guides

University of Queensland Study Guide 2017
This study guide gives students an introduction to studying at UQ as an undergraduate, including information about programs, entry requirements, how to apply, living costs, accommodation and much more. https://future-students.uq.edu.au/publications-and-forms

Country Education Scholarships Guide
A scholarship can help you achieve your further study dreams by covering the costs of textbooks, course fees, equipment, accommodation and living costs. Search and apply for scholarships right here with CEF’s Scholarship Guide: http://engage.cef.org.au/directory/scholarship

STEM.I.AM
The STEM.I.AM initiative aims to positively promote the study of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth. QUT is offering a one-year scholarship worth $10,000 for eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolling in a single or double degree in:
- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of Engineering (Computer and Software Systems)
- Bachelor of Engineering (Mechatronics)
- Bachelor of Games and Interactive Environments.
Students must be graduating year 12 in 2017 and enrolled in one of these degrees by the 2018 census date. Applications close March 2018. For more information: https://www.student.qut.edu.au/fees-and-finances/scholarships-and-prizes/scholarships/advance-queensland-stem-i-am-scholarship

Personalised Campus Tour of Bond University
Bond University offers personalised campus tours for students and their parents. The tours are led by student ambassadors who are current students from across Australia, and the tours are personalised to suit the individual’s interests. Register for a personal tour by emailing campustours@bond.edu.au or phoning 07 5595 1111 https://bond.edu.au/future-students/study-bond/see-yourself/campus-tours

TAFE & Apprenticeships

East Coast Apprenticeships
East Coast Apprenticeships is a Group Training Organisation that employs Apprentices and Trainees in all industry areas. There are vacancies across the Brisbane, Sunshine Coast, Burpengary and Strathpine areas. https://ectraining.com.au/index.php?page=current-vacancies

Skills One
Skills one is a video platform with over 1500 short video stories about getting a trade or skill. Videos are intended for students. Check it out by visiting the website: http://www.skillsone.com.au

TAFE Bytes
TAFE Bytes is a blog project, which has posts that relate to different industry, study, apprenticeships and many more relevant subjects. For more information visit: http://tafebytes.com.au/
Private Colleges

**Australian College of Applied Psychology: Information Session**
Wednesday 26th April, 6pm at ACAP Brisbane Campus
Find out about courses offered at ACAP. Take a tour of the campus and speak with staff and students. Register your attendance at: [http://www.acap.edu.au/future-students/info-sessions/](http://www.acap.edu.au/future-students/info-sessions/)

**Endeavour College of Natural Health Gold Coast Campus**
For daily updates, like Endeavour College on Facebook here: [https://www.facebook.com/EndeavourCollegeofNaturalHealth](https://www.facebook.com/EndeavourCollegeofNaturalHealth)

**Why study at Malyon?**

**SAE Institute Online Courses**
Select courses are available online at the SAE Creative Media Institute. [https://sae.edu.au/campuses/online-aus/](https://sae.edu.au/campuses/online-aus/)

**ACPE Online Study**
The Australian College of Physical Education offers some of their courses completely online. They also have other courses with select units that can be studied online. Their online undergraduate courses consist of a Bachelor of Sports Business (Leadership) and a Bachelor of Sports Coaching & Administration. [https://www.acpe.edu.au/future-students/study/options/online-learning](https://www.acpe.edu.au/future-students/study/options/online-learning)

**Australian College of Applied Psychology Info Session**
Find out about studying at ACAP at this information session. Brisbane: Wednesday 26 April, 6pm [http://www.acap.edu.au/future-students/info-sessions/](http://www.acap.edu.au/future-students/info-sessions/)

**Other News**

**Volunteer registrations open for the 2018 Commonwealth Games**
Volunteering at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games will be an incredible once-in-a-lifetime experience for all those who are involved. Volunteer Applications are open now: [https://www.gc2018.com/volunteer](https://www.gc2018.com/volunteer)

**A strategy to help you finish your assignments**

**ADFA Education Award: Applications Close 28th February**
The Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) Education Award is presented annually to Year 12 students in recognition of leadership potential, and academic and sporting achievements exhibited during Year 11. You need to submit an application prior to 28 February in the year you undertake Year 12. However, you are encouraged to apply in Year 11. Applications open for this year’s Year 11 students on 1st May and close for year 12 on 28th Feb. [http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/adfa/how-to-apply/](http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/adfa/how-to-apply/)
Australian Taxation Office: Tax File Number
A tax file number is a unique nine-digit number issued to individuals and organisations to help administer tax and other Australian Government systems. Students need a TFN before they can start any type of paid work. For information on how to apply visit: [https://www.ato.gov.au/individuals/tax-file-number/](https://www.ato.gov.au/individuals/tax-file-number/)

EngQuest
This STEM outreach program for students is run by Engineers Australia and provides opportunities for young people to participate in fun, educational engineering activities, and contains information about what an engineering career involves. You can register for free access to the EngQuest curriculum resource material here: [http://www.engquest.org.au](http://www.engquest.org.au)

UNiDAYS
Student discounts to help your dollars go further while you study. [https://www.myunidays.com/AU/en-AU](https://www.myunidays.com/AU/en-AU)

QUT Parents webpage
QUT has a webpage specifically for parents of school students, providing information on courses, decision making, getting in, entry programs and student life at QUT. [https://www.qut.edu.au/study/undergraduate-study/are-you-the-parent-of-a-school-student](https://www.qut.edu.au/study/undergraduate-study/are-you-the-parent-of-a-school-student)

Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT)
This website helps prospective university students make informed choices about their future. QILT provides students with a broad range of information about Australian universities including graduate job prospects and student satisfaction and retention rates. [https://www.qilt.edu.au/](https://www.qilt.edu.au/)

CATSINaM
The Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives (CATSINaM) is the sole representative body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander nurses and midwives in Australia. CATSINaM’s primary function is to implement strategies to increase the recruitment and retention of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples into nursing and midwifery professions. [http://www.catsinam.org.au](http://www.catsinam.org.au)

Science News for Students
Science News for Students was founded in 2003 and is an award-winning online publication dedicated to providing age-appropriate, topical science news to learners, parents and educators. Follow them on Twitter: @SNStudents Like them on Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/sciencenewsforstudents/](https://www.facebook.com/sciencenewsforstudents/) Webpage: [https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org](https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org)

National Youth Science Forum
The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) is a 12-day residential program for students entering year 12 who are passionate about science, technology, engineering and mathematics.
2018 Session Dates:
Session A Canberra: Tuesday 2nd January- Saturday 13th January 2018
Session B Brisbane: Tuesday 9th January- Saturday 20th January 2018
Session C Canberra: Tuesday 16th January- Saturday 27th January 2018
The Kids are All Right Website
This website publishes helpful and informative articles to help parents and teachers deal with prominent issues affecting the wellbeing of teenagers. Issues that are addressed include physical and mental health, relationships, drugs and alcohol.
http://www.thekidsareallright.com.au

The Leap
The Leap is a Gap Year organisation from the UK that offers young people the opportunity to experience a variety of programs in unique locations around the world. For more information visit: http://theleap.co.uk
Download the free Gap Year Guide here: http://theleap.co.uk/gap-adventure-blueprint/

UNSW Engineering: Through Engineers’ Eyes
Join now- starts 24th April 2017
This free online course is an innovative way to learn engineering mechanics and begin seeing the world through engineers’ eyes. This free 7-week course will teach you the techniques of engineering mechanics, show you how to use them to interpret experiments and apply them to design.
For more information: https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/through-engineers-eyes

The key to enriching your university experience
This article was written by Jess Holsman, Deakin Psychology Graduate and founder of YouTube’s ‘Study with Jess’, where she gives advice to thousands of students around the world on effective study.
http://this.deakin.edu.au/study/the-key-to-enriching-your-university-experience

AFS Online Information Sessions
Find out whether going on exchange or hosting an exchange student with AFS is right for you and your family at an Open Day. Dates to be confirmed:
Brisbane: Brisbane square library, 266 George St, 11am-1pm
For those unable to attend in person AFS runs online information sessions at the following times:
Wednesday 22th February at 8pm
Wednesday 1st March at 5pm
Wednesday 8th March at 8pm
Wednesday 15th March at 5pm
Wednesday 22th March at 8pm
Wednesday 29th March at 5pm
4. Brisbane Careers Employment Expo

Preparing students to find their future

Prepare your students to find their future!

BRISBANE CAREERS & EMPLOYMENT EXPO

June 2 & 3, 2017
Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

Free Event - Register Now

careeremploymentexpo.com.au

The Brisbane Careers & Employment Expo provides High School students with a huge variety of career path options.

- Tertiary VET Education & Training Exhibitors
- Graduate, Apprenticeship & Traineeship Opportunities
- Pathways to University
- Defence Force Recruiting
- Top Growth Industry Leaders
- Subject Selection
- Career Workshops & Resume Advice Services

Experience the Fun

- Interactive Stage
  with lots of interactive demo’s
- Interactive Skills Area
  where students can “Try a Skill”

Supported by

Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre
Fri June 2 - 9am to 3pm and Sat June 3 - 10am to 4pm

Attention Teachers - Register Your School Online

To register, complete the online form at careeremploymentexpo.com.au
or email your contact information to natalie@kjex.com.au.

New Expo Organisers - Kym Jones Exhibitions
If you have any questions, please contact Natalie by email or phone 08 8297 1688.

details careeremploymentexpo.com.au
5. **Meet USC**

**Parents Info & Headstart**

The decision to study at university is an important one that will shape the rest of your child’s life. We understand the important role parents play in supporting their child through their journey to university, so we’ve put together a series of informative sessions to help you and your child navigate your way through this exciting, but daunting time.

Our upcoming Meet USC on March 22 is a dedicated event for parents of high school students in year 10, 11 and 12. Parents and students are invited to attend up to 4 sessions, including a special 1 hour presentation on our Headstart Program, which provides students with a taste of university life to help prepare them for future study, as well as gain credit towards a USC degree.

Parents and students are invited to:
- Attend a Headstart information session, including benefits, how to apply and costs
- Get practical tips on supporting your child through their journey to tertiary study
- Attend a career planning session
- Learn about the QTAC application process
- Take a tour of our world class facilities with a student ambassador

Guests are invited to our Parent’s Lounge where we will be serving refreshments throughout the evening.

We look forward to helping you support your child to rise, and shine in 2017 and beyond.

**How to get there**

Download the [USC campus map](#) so you can navigate your way around campus with ease. Register for updates from the Parent Lounge.

The [Parent Lounge](#) is a space for parents to find everything you need to know about uni for your child in one easy place. Sign up to receive regular updates with helpful tips and information.
6. **MyCareerMatch**  
**Viewpoint**

‘Every parent I speak to is concerned about what their child will do when they leave school. The media focus on negative articles doesn’t help inspire confidence in the future.

YES we need more students studying STEM but the fact is most students aren’t suited. YES artificial intelligence and automation will impact jobs, but many more jobs will be created using these technologies and giving us amazing tools we’ve never had before. NOT everyone needs to go to university and most people won’t but will still find satisfying and rewarding careers through vocational study and apprenticeships. YES jobs of the future require technology skills but coding isn’t necessarily one of them. Advising young people to do what they are passionate about is usually NOT good career advice. And telling them they can be ANYTHING they want to be can lead to disappointment.

We need to get realistic about careers and opportunities in an economy that’s fast moving and in which the nature of employment itself is changing rapidly as are the methods of education delivery and pathways to qualification.

We must motivate and inspire young people to imagine themselves in a job which uses their natural talents of curiosity and discovery to produce their best at whatever they do.’

Nathan Chanesman  
CEO MyCareerMatch

7. **QUT News**  
**February 2017**

**Student activities**  
There are a number of upcoming activities students can participate in including the [World Science Festival](#), [BlueShift business competition](#), [High School Research Internships program](#), and the [QUT Art Museum](#) and [William Robinson Gallery programs](#).

**Scholarships update**  
The [STEM.I.AM](#), a new initiative to promote the study of science, technology, engineering and maths with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth, includes a scholarship worth $10 000. The 2017 recipients of the [New Colombo Plan Scholarship](#) for students undertaking study and internships in the Indo-Pacific, and the [McCullough Robertson Law Scholarship](#) for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students have been announced.

**HECS-HELP discount change**  
The Australian Government have passed changes to the HECS-HELP loan scheme that are effective as of 1 January 2017. Up-front payments of $500 or more are no longer eligible for the 10 per cent HECS-HELP discount. For more information visit the [government Study Assist website](#).

**Help for parents**  
QUT offers resources to help parents support their child as they make decisions about post-school options. You may like to include these resources on your website or newsletters: [parents website](#) with the option to sign up for newsletters, and access brochures and other useful information, and [Parent Information Seminars](#) on 16, 17 and 18 May.
8. **Start University Now at CQU**

Applications open now

Applications for our popular Start Uni Now (SUN) program are open for Term 1, 2017 commencing March.

SUN is an innovative program inviting students in Year 10*, 11 and 12 to study CQUniversity degree-level courses whilst still in high school. Students can study up to four units, either on-campus or online.

A range of new units and study areas have been updated for 2017 in the areas of Creative Arts, Engineering, Agriculture and more.

**WHY STUDY SUN?**

- **Sneak peek:** Provides your students with a taste of university life and a preview of their study area of choice.

- **Direct entry:** Depending on their course of choice, and after successfully completing their units, students may be eligible for direct entry into their degree - bypassing the Tertiary Application Centre process (some quota based degree programs are excluded - see [website](#) for details).

- **Affordable:** SUN units are offered at less than a third of what the average university student might pay. Students can save between $900 - $2752 on the cost of these university units.

- **Fast-track:** Students may fast-track their degree of choice with SUN units. After enrolling as a CQUniversity student after Year 12, each SUN unit may be credited towards their degree, potentially cutting down their length of study.

Applications for Term 1, 2017 close on Friday, 17 February.  
*Please note: Year 10 students are eligible for the Term 3 (November) intake only.

Select to: [DOWNLOAD THE SUN BROCHURE](#)

Learn more about our wide range of CQUniversity events. Call 13 27 86 or visit [cqu.edu.au/events](http://cqu.edu.au/events) for further information.
9. Dates For Your Diary

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