

Q&A from Agent Training and Update Part 2

1. Even though TOEFL IBT is accepted by QUT, would you happen to know if the DHA accepts internet based English Proficiency results?

Please refer to the <u>DHA website</u>, TOEFL internet-based test is listed under the English language test providers, however if you refer to TOEFL IBT Special Home Addition test, it is suggested to check with DHA directly for appropriate advice.

2. Are you accepting IELTS Indicator Test?

We do not accept IELTS Indicator test at this stage.

3. There is a news that Australia might open border to allow foreigner to enter in around July this year, does it mean QUT students can go on campus?

QUT courses are being delivered online for as long as current government recommendations require. Although QUT hopes on campus classes will resume during the semester, students who enrol online will be able to study online for the rest of the study period, if they choose. We would recommend students initially study online with QUT and then come to Brisbane to study on campus, after the Australian border is reopened.

4. Will you issue a new CoE for current students studying online? If Australia government releases the travel ban, student can apply student visa, but their commencing data in the CoE has been expired, I am not sure whether the immigration office will still accept the prior CoE to grant visa.

QUT will review new commencing students' study load post census date (i.e. 21/08/2020), to determine if revised CoE is needed to reflect a new expected course end date.

5. Parents and students are interested to find out the delivery mode for Sem 2, 2020, online study or face to face class?

To help make study more accessible, QUT courses have moved online for Semester 2, 2020.

- All lectures are being delivered online.
- Tutorials, workshops, and team-based learning activities are being delivered online where possible.
- Necessary practical small-group activities are continuing with appropriate distancing and hygiene measures in place.



Please refer to the QUT <u>website</u> for detailed information on study for Semester 2 2020. It is a good option for students to start your study at QUT during the COVID-19 pandemic without delaying your career plan.

6. Where can I get Q&A, slides and recording for the webinar?

https://blogs.qut.edu.au/international-agent-newsbites/

7. Please share course entry requirements.

Please refer to the QUT website for detailed information on study for Semester 2 2020

8. Are there any specific scholarship for Korean student?

Please click <u>here</u> for the scholarship information, most of them are available to all international students regardless their nationalities.

9. How many backlogs can be accepted?

Indian students should have no more than 2 backlogs in the final year.

10. LinkedIn announced that the skill that companies need most in 2020 is Blockchain, some students are now interested in this area. What discipline(s) would you recommend for those students who want to study Blockchain? (https://learning.linkedin.com/blog/learning-thought-leadership/most-in-demand-skills-2020)

SEF offers units in programming, cryptography and cloud computing as part of the B. IT and the M. IT, having skills and knowledge in these areas are needed for a Blockchain career.

Please also refer to QUT blockchain site (https://research.qut.edu.au/blockchain/) which has some information about the different research projects.

11. What are the academic requirements for graduate certificate courses?

Please click on the following link for details:

https://www.qut.edu.au/study/postgraduate_or

Pathway programs - Graduate Certificate in Communication



Business School

12. If students are coming from Diploma in Business in one of the Singapore Polytechnic, and they want to be considered for advanced standing. Will they be able to opt for the business capstone unit to do an internship?

International students enrolling in the Bachelor of Business with advanced standing (including the Singaporean Polytechnics) will still be required to complete both the <u>Real World Ready – Business Capstone</u> unit <u>and</u> the capstone unit specific to the student's study area.

13. What is the difference between Master of Business and Master of Business Administration courses at QUT, except duration of the courses?

MBA	Master of Business
1.5 years (3 semesters) duration	1.5-2 years (3 – 4 semesters) duration depending on educational background
Students will gain a breadth of knowledge to lead and manage complex business environments.	Students will develop depth of expertise in one field of study. There are 11 disciplinary fields to choose from.
Academic entry requirements A completed recognised bachelor degree in any discipline with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 4.5 (on QUT's 7-point scale); and AGMAT score of at least 550; and A minimum three years full-time equivalent relevant managerial or professional work experience post-degree; and Submit two completed referee report forms	Academic entry requirements A completed recognised bachelor degree in ANY discipline with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 4.0 (on QUT's 7-point scale); NO work experience required.
The MBA program is made up of 4 components, an extensive foundation component of 16 core units of six credit points each and a further 48 credit points of optional units in the areas of leadership and strategy, entrepreneurship and innovation, or in discipline areas which interest them.	Students normally take 4 units per semester with each unit 13 weeks in duration. Each unit is typically 12 credit points each. Knowledge and research skills are developed throughout the Masters and taken to the advanced level in the capstone unit.

14. What will be the next available intake for Master of Business after July 2020?

Master of Business is offered for Nov 2020, please refer to the weblink for more information:

https://www.qut.edu.au/courses/master-of-business

15. How student will get work integrated learning while studying online?

QUT has been able to rapidly respond to the current situation by ensuring that students are still able to complete work integrated learning activities this semester. For example, an industry partner was able to brief students via video on a specific problem currently facing their organisation. Students utilised zoom to meet regularly with their team, their industry coach and Business School teaching staff to develop an



innovative strategy for resolving the issue. Each team then pitched their strategy via video conference to an audience comprising industry and academic representatives.

16. Are internship placements in Business School arranged by university?

All students in QUT Business School courses (undergraduate and postgraduate) will participate in a number of project-based work integrated learning (WIL) experiences through their course. Internship and placement WIL experiences are promoted to all eligible students via QUT's online WIL platform InPlace. Students are supported in preparing applications through Student Success Group. Just like applying for a real role, students experience the application process, including interview, and are selected by the industry partner to participate in the internship or placement.

17. Do you require working experience prior to study in MBA and or Master of Business?

We require a minimum three years full-time equivalent relevant managerial or professional work experience post-degree for the MBA but no work experience is required for the Master of Business.

Faculty of Education

18. When will student start to enrol in placement / internship unit in Bachelor of Education?

The course structures for the Bachelor degrees are all different with timing of placements at different times. For example, in normal circumstances the first professional experience placement for BEd (Early Childhood) students occurs in the second semester of their first year. For BEd (Primary) and for BEd (Secondary) the first placement takes place in Year 2, Semester 1. Due to COVID-19 no placements took place in Semester 1, 2020. The Faculty of Education has put plans in place for students to 'catch up' on their professional experience over the next 12 -18 months. In 2020, priority will be given to final year students so that they can graduate on time in December.

International students who commence their studies online due to travel restrictions will be able to do their school placement when on-campus study resumes. The Faculty's Student Support team will work with each student on their study plan and the timing of their professional experience placements.

19. Jenny Zhang's testimonial video is really a good adv, can u please share the link?

https://youtu.be/JK44Av0SbTg

20. Are Bachelor and Master of Education programs offered online in Semester 2, 2020?

Yes, please refer to the https://www.qut.edu.au/education/courses-and-study



21. Is Chinese education one of the teaching areas under Master of Teaching (Secondary)? If so, would you please help to introduce more about it? Secondly, if student is not able to meet the English language requirement for M of Teaching, any pathway courses available?

Chinese is not a teaching area offered by QUT.

The student would meet the English language requirement if they completed a Bachelor Degree in Australia or another English-speaking country. Otherwise students require IELTS 7.5 (or equivalent).

22. Is relevant background a compulsory requirement for Master of education?

No, the only prerequisite is a recognised bachelor degree (or higher qualification) in any discipline with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 4 on QUT's 7 point scale (where 4 is a Pass).

23. The 25% merit scholarship from F of Education, is it only for the first year of study?

The scholarship will cover 25% of tuition fees for the first two semesters of study (based on your entry score). Provided they continue to meet the academic conditions, the scholarship will continue to cover 25% of tuition fees per semester of study. A list of minimum academic standards are listed here.

24. Do the Bachelor and Master degrees lead to an Australian teaching credential?

Yes! Bachelor of Education and Master of Teaching lead to teacher registration in Australia (not Master of Education).

25. My client wants to apply for Bachelor of Education programme, however A Level test in May has been cancelled due to COVID-19. I am wondering how the student could meet the academic requirements if he would like to commence his study in Feb. 2021?

The relevant awarding bodies advised they have organised alternative assessments and students will be receiving their standard grades (same format). QUT will accept these grades.



Faculty of Law

New Law and Justice flyers

26. Are QUT Law degrees recognised in other countries?

At the Faculty of Law, we offer courses to suit all international students. Students can choose from a law or justice bachelor degrees, double degrees, postgraduate courses, or research degrees. Our <u>Bachelor of Laws (Honours)</u> degree is recognised for admission as a solicitor in East Malaysia, Fiji, and Papua New Guinea. In India and West Malaysia, it is recognised after completing qualifying exams. However, not all of our international graduates are looking to become lawyers after graduation, but instead are planning to work in the corporate Sector, in areas such as commercial banking, mining and property development. More information <u>here</u>.

27. What are the Law courses' entry requirements for both English and Academic?

Please refer to the https://www.qut.edu.au/study/law-and-justice for course entry requirement.

Please be noted Diploma pathway is also an option for both Law and Justice courses, just in case if direct entry requirement is not met.

28. What are the GPA requirements for Law Scholarship?

Please refer to the www.qut.edu.au/study/int-law-scholarship

QUT International College

29. What is the GPA requirement for UNSW Foundation student to join Diploma of Creative Industry in QUT?

Please to the **Diploma in Creative Industries** for details

30. There is a student who already has an offer to start from Diploma into Degree and he is willing to start online studies. Can we know more about the updated refund policy or separate update for fee requirements for those who starting online?



Withdrawing from your course before census date usually incurs a cancellation fee of \$5000 in accordance with QUT's International Student Refund Policy, but this will be reduced to \$500 in consideration of the global impact of COVID-19. No documentation is required to support this special circumstance claim. Please note the cancellation fee doesn't apply to accepted deferred offers or Leave of Absence.

If you have completed 48 credit points (or six months full-time or equivalent pro-rata for research students) of a QUT foundation, diploma or degree course, you are exempt from cancellation fees if you withdraw before the census date. If you have not completed at least 48 credit points of study in one of these courses and have to withdraw due to COVID-19 related reasons, you can request special-circumstances for a full refund by emailing sbs.fees@qut.edu.au

31. What are the academic and English requirements for Foundation and Diploma courses?

The academic and English language requirements can be found under the "Requirements" tab for each program on our website here:

Standard Foundation

Extended Foundation

Diploma in Business

Diploma in Creative Industries

Diploma in IT

Diploma in Health Science (Nursing)

Diploma in Health Science (Health Studies)

Diploma in Engineering

32. Can student study EAP/GE online offshore?

Yes, students can study EAP and GE online if they are off- shore. Please refer to the FAQ Part 2 for more information on online study while offshore for Semester 2 2020 and beyond.

33. If a student completes a Diploma in Health Science, is the student required to achieve IELTS 7 for each band for entry into the second year Bachelor of nursing?

Yes, all students, whether they choose to study a Diploma in Health Science (Nursing) at QUTIC before or not, must have an IELTS of 7 (no sub-score less than 7) or equivalent for entry into any Bachelor of



Nursing degree in Australia, as per the new requirements by <u>ANMAC</u> (Australian Nursing & Midwifery Accreditation Council)

34. Will there be an option for the entire pathways (which includes Sem 1 2021) to be done online?

QUT will decide whether pathway courses are to be offered online in 2021, after the commencement of Semester 2, 2020. We expect to know more about this in August.

35. How much is the cost of the English test from QUT?

QUT will cover the cost of each Password test taken by a student at an agent's office. Please note, that the Password test is only used to assess a potential student's level of English and the appropriate QUT English pathway. This test cannot be used for direct entry into a Foundation, Diploma or degree and does not replace an IELTS, TOEFL or PTE.

36. Can the Password test be replaced for IELTS?

The Password test is only used to assess a potential student's level of English and the appropriate English pathway needed for entry to their QUT undergraduate or postgraduate degree if they DO NOT have an IELTS, TOEFL or PTE.

37. Can onshore students do a Password test?

Yes, if the student is in Brisbane they can take the test at QUTIC. For information on future test days and how to register for the test please visit the EAP entry test website.

38. What are the criteria for Diploma's scholarship?

Each country has a different eligibility criteria for the QUTIC Pathway Scholarship. Please refer to the <u>website</u> for the specific eligibility requirements and application process for your country.

39. Why is the tuition fee of Diploma is lower than UG courses in Year 1?

While students study the same curriculum in the Diploma program as the 1st year of the undergraduate course, QUTIC operates under a different funding model compared to rest of the university and can therefore charge lower tuition fees.