

Get Started at TAFE Queensland

TAFE Queensland is the largest and most experienced provider of vocational education and training in the state it's a big statement, but one that's backed by research and confirms our impressive track record. We've been in the business of training for more than 130 years and have trained more than seven million people. At last count, we had more students than all the Queensland universities combined.

TAFE Queensland's award-winning teachers, purpose-built facilities and strong industry partnerships will help you get the real-world skills that you need to achieve your future career or study goals. We have more than 400 practical, nationally recognised qualifications for you to choose from, and hundreds of university pathways to take you even further.

Get a head start with a TAFE at School Course

Most year 11 and 12 students are eligible to participate in a TAFE at School program. You can choose to study from more than 50 exciting and varied certificate level vocational education and training (VET) courses. Best of all, a TAFE at School certificate can be achieved in conjunction with your senior studies and counts towards your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE).

TAFE at School is a great way to:

Get a qualification while still at school

- Gain direct entry into our diploma courses
- Gain valuable credits towards your QCE
- Gain credits towards an apprenticeship, diploma course or university studies
- Make you work ready
- Build practical skills in an adult learning environment
- Learn from professionals, bursting with current industry knowledge.

Enrolment is subject to eligibility requirements. Please visit our website or contact our TAFE at School team for details.

Industry Experience

Some TAFE at School programs require students to undertake work placements, or in some instances to work in the industry. This gives students the opportunity to build their skills and confidence dealing with real-life situations. Work placement requirements should be discussed with your teacher prior to commencement.

Flexible Study Options

TAFE Queensland offers flexible study options so you can gain a vocational qualification while you're still at school in a way that best suits you.

Train at TAFE Queensland

TAFE Queensland offers some of the best training facilities in the state, with advanced, industry-relevant workspaces and classrooms. All training is delivered in an adult learning environment so you'll get a taste of what it's like to study in a higher education setting. You'll learn from our highly-qualified teachers and benefit from their vast experience.

Train at School

Many Queensland schools have partnered with TAFE Queensland to deliver vocational qualifications. School teachers are given specific training so they are qualified to deliver TAFE Queensland courses. Even if you undertake your training at school, you will still receive a TAFE Queensland certificate when you complete your course.

School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship

TAFE Queensland offers both school-based apprenticeships and traineeships, which get you work-ready and a step ahead of your peers. Becoming a school-based apprentice or trainee gives you skills in a vocation or trade and allows you to earn money while you're still at school. A school-based a Traineeship also contributes credits towards your Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE).

Apprentices are trained in a skilled trade, such as plumbing or electrical, and upon successful completion will become a qualified tradesperson. Trainees are trained in a vocational area, such as early childhood or business, but the training does not deliver a tradesperson qualification. After selecting the industry you are interested in and talking with your school and parents, your next step is to secure employment as an apprentice or trainee. An employer can be found through family and friends, by directly contacting employers and group training organisations, or by applying for advertised jobs.

Once you have secured an apprenticeship or traineeship, just let your employer know you want to study with us. School-based apprentices and trainees do not pay fees for training at TAFE Queensland; however you may need to pay some costs for tools and compulsory protective equipment, which we will outline upon enrolment. When you become a full-time apprentice or trainee after completing year 12, you may be eligible for fee-free training for the remainder of your apprenticeship.

For more information about school-based apprenticeships or traineeships call 1800 210 210 or visit

www.training.qld.gov.au/apprenticeshipsinfo

What does it cost?

Costs vary course to course. Please check our website for the most up-to-date prices. A range of TAFE at School courses are fee-free for eligible students, covered under VET in Schools (VETiS) funding. The courses advertised as VETiS funded in this guide are only applicable if you have not accessed VETiS funding in the past. For further information, please refer to the VETiS section of training.qld.gov.au. Eligible students are entitled to one VETiS funded program only.

Payment Options

Payment plans may be available to assist students with payment of their course, however, students under 18 will need a guarantor. Applications will be subject to credit checks. For information about our withdrawal and refund policy, please visit the TAFE Queensland website.

Student Support

At TAFE Queensland we aim to create a supportive and inclusive learning environment to help you achieve your study goals. Your school's student assistance program is responsible for ensuring you receive appropriate levels of support while you are participating in the TAFE Queensland environment.

Timetabled to your School Year

TAFE Queensland term dates align with Queensland school terms and fit within your current timetables.