



Visitor Information Kit





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Please find general information below that may help you when planning your trip to Brisbane.

Visiting Academics

A Visiting Academic is an employee of an overseas institution who arranges to visit UQ, for a duration of at least four weeks, with the intention of contributing or sharing research knowledge, by way of collaborative involvement in a research project or guest lecturing. A visiting academic appointment is an unpaid appointment as the salary is usually still paid by the academic's home institution. The School of Psychology typically does not meet visitors' expenses.

Visiting Academic entitlements and expectations

Visiting Academics will be entitled to the following:

- a University identification card (to access library and rooms)
- library access
- shared office space/computers (with other visiting academics)
- access to School research seminars
- IT logins and an email account

Visiting Academics are expected to present a seminar at the school's research seminar series and to collaborate on research with members of the school. They may also wish to deliver guest lectures (on an unpaid basis).

To determine what type of visa you will need to enter Australia, please visit the <u>Australian</u> <u>Government Department of Home Affairs website.</u>

Visiting Students/Scholars

A visiting student/scholar is a student of an Australian or overseas tertiary education institution whose visit is for the purpose of completing a structured and supervised workplace-based training program or academic research in Australia. Duration of stay will be consistent with the requirements of your training position or professional development programme as per the immigration and border protection guidelines.

The training program must be closely related to the visitor's current occupation, field of study, or area of expertise. Refer to the <u>Australian Government Department of Home Affairs website</u> for more information.

Visiting Student/Scholar Entitlements and Expectations

Visiting Students/Scholars will be entitled to the following:

- a University identification card (to access library and rooms)
- library access
- access to the postgraduate student computer lab (shared space)
- access to School research seminars
- IT logins and an email account



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Please note: The University is not in a position to sign external training agreements from overseas institutions. In order for a visiting scholar application to proceed, the visiting scholar and their home institution must sign the invitation letter issued by the University of Queensland. The general rule is that external agreements will not be signed as the intention is that UQ determines the conditions under which we accept visiting scholars.

General Information about Brisbane

- General Information about Brisbane
- Map of Brisbane
- About Brisbane suburbs
- Cost of living (Compare cost of living in Australia)

Accommodation in Brisbane*

Below is a list of various types of websites that might be helpful for finding accommodation. Suburbs that are close to UQ St Lucia campus and are easily connected by public transport include: St Lucia, Toowong, Taringa, Indooroopilly, Auchenflower, Fairfield, Yeronga, Dutton Park, Annerley, Woolloongabba, Highgate Hill, South Brisbane, and West End. The <u>South East Busway</u> connects easily to the UQ St Lucia campus with suburbs located further from the Brisbane CBD and includes Greenslopes, Holland Park, Mount Gravatt, Tarragindi, Nathan, Upper Mount Gravatt, Eight Mile Plains, Sunnybank and Rochedale. <u>The Eastern Busway</u> connects suburbs such as Carindale, Camp Hill, Buranda, Stones Corner and Coorparoo.

- Realestate.com.au
- Sabbatical Homes
- Airbnb.com.au
- Gumtree.com.au (flat shares and long or short term accommodation)
- Flatmates.com.au
- Southbank Campus Apartments
- Somewhere to Stay
- UQ Women's College
- UQ King's College
- UQ Accommodation Service**

* Please note that information regarding accommodation is to be used as a guide only and is not endorsed by The University of Queensland. Be careful – never send money to someone without meeting them first and inspecting the property; never give out your bank details to anyone; never provide your personal details and ID details without meeting someone face-to-face and inspecting the property first. Read the article "How to protect yourself from rental scams".

**UQ Rentals allows you to search for accommodation in Brisbane and surrounding areas. These properties are not on campus, but listed properties will be in Brisbane and you can choose (in some cases) to share with University of Queensland students and sometimes, staff. Simply log onto the website, register as a 'future student' (whether you are a staff member or student, using your personal email address) and then send through your letter of offer from UQ or proof that you will be studying here. Access will then be granted to the site.



After Arrival

Transport

- Public Transport (including journey planner)*
- Queensland Transport (vehicle registration and licensing)
- Cycling to UQ

*Please note that students visiting from overseas institutions are not eligible for concession fares on Translink services. For more information on eligibility requirements, please visit the Translink <u>website</u>.

Emergency

The Australian emergency telephone number is 000.



Appendix A – What Type of Visitor am I?

(answer the questions below to determine what category your visit will fall into)





Key Contacts

If you would like to discuss any aspect of your visit, please feel free to call or email me.

Please note that as I am not a qualified visa agent, I am unable to provide advice relating to which visa you should use to visit Australia. It is important that you contact your local embassy or consulate to determine which type of visa is best suits your needs.

