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Semester 2 2025 Orientation

Welcome to the Bachelor of Journalism

With Dr Anne Kruger

July, 2025

Acknowledgment of Country

The University of Queensland (UQ) acknowledges the Traditional Owners and their custodianship of the lands on which we meet.

We pay our respects to their Ancestors and their descendants, who continue cultural and spiritual connections to Country.

We recognise their valuable contributions to Australian and global society.





What's happening today?

1. Welcome
2. Understanding your program structure
3. Preparing for your courses
4. Settling into university life



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1. Welcome

Welcome to the BJ Program

Welcome everyone! Welcome to UQ, Welcome to the Bachelor of Journalism, and Welcome to the School of Communication and Arts.

I am Anne Kruger, a Lecturer of Digital Journalism. I am also the Convenor of the Bachelor of Journalism Program.

I'm an experienced lecturer and journalist. I will be talking to you about some practical and theoretical aspects of journalism.



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2. Understanding your program structure

Getting started with the BJ

- **The Bachelor of Journalism at UQ teaches you how to tell important and impactful stories.**
- **Discover where it could take you.**
- **my.UQ is the go-to website.**

my.UQ website

- **This is a good place to start and hopefully you've already stumbled on it by now.**
- **my.UQ web page walks you through all you need to know.**
- **The link is: <https://my.uq.edu.au/starting-at-uq>**
- **my.UQ will guide you through everything.**

BJ Program overview and requirements

BJ Program rules

- 3-year full-time program (or part-time equivalent)
- 48 units required to complete the program

The 48 units comprise:

- 24 units for all **BJ Core Courses**, and
- 8 units from **BJ Flexible Core Courses**, and
- 16 units from **BJ Minors and/or General Elective Courses**

NOTE: Selected courses must include at most 24 units at Level 1.

Your lecturers & tutors

- **You can call us by our first name.**
- **Contact us if you are having difficulty with course content or an assessment item.**
- **Many of us have set consultation times but you can also email us.**
- **We are super busy (other courses, admin responsibilities, and research projects), so, be patient if it takes a day or two to receive a reply to your email.**



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3. Preparing for your courses

Planning your BJ program

- **Stick to Level 1 courses in your first year (e.g., JOUR1710, COMU1120, etc.).**
- **In Semester 2, 2024 (make sure to enrol in:**
 - ☐ **JOUR1710 - Journalistic Investigations – Semester 2 only**
 - ☐ **COMU1140 - Multimedia – Semester 1 & 2**
 - ☐ **COMU1120 - Media and Society – Semester 1 & 2**
 - ☐ **COMU1130 - Data and Society – Semester 2 only**

Planning your BJ program

➤ In Semester 1, 2026, you should enrol in the following courses:

- ☐ COMU1120 (Connectivity and Culture) – Semesters 1 & 2
- ☐ COMU1140 (Multimedia) – Semesters 1 & 2
- ☐ JOUR1112 (Journalistic Narratives) -- Semester 1 only

***** Include -- COMU1050 (Understanding the News) -- from BJ Flexible Core Courses, in Semester 1, 2022, if it doesn't clash with your electives.**

Level 1 courses in BJ Core Course List

➤ **Plan to complete all Level 1 courses in the BJ Core Courses in your First Year. The Level 1 courses are:**

- ☐ **JOUR1112 (Journalistic Narratives) – Semester 1 only**
- ☐ **COMU1120 (Media and Society) – Semesters 1 & 2**
- ☐ **COMU1140 (Multimedia) -- Semesters 1 & 2**
- ☐ **COMU1130 (Connectivity and Culture) – Semester 2 only**
- ☐ **JOUR1710 (Journalistic Investigation) -- Semester 2 only**

Dual Degree

- Dual degree in Journalism requires you to select courses from BJ Core Courses and the BJ Flexible Core Courses only.
- You need 64 units to complete your dual degree program.
- You need to complete 32 units in Journalism and 32 units in another degree program (e.g., Arts or Communication).

The BJ component courses should be selected as follows:

- ☐ 24 units from the BJ Core Courses.
- ☐ 8 units from the BJ Flexible Core Courses.
- ☐ Follow your Dual Degree Planner.

Dual Degree

➤ **Dual degree programs for the Bachelor of Journalism are:**

- ☐ **Bachelors of Journalism / Arts**
- ☐ **Bachelors of Business Management / Journalism**
- ☐ **Bachelors of Communication / Journalism**
- ☐ **Bachelors of Science / Journalism**
- ☐ **Bachelors of Journalism / Laws (Honours)**

MaPS

Media and Production Support





WORKSHOPS

TWO HOUR INTENSIVES

GEAR

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WHEN YOU NEED IT

VIDEO PRODUCTION

You'll learn the basics of shot design, framing, camera handling & audio capture

VIDEO EDITING

The basics skills needed to get around Adobe Premiere Pro

AUDIO PRODUCTION AND EDITING

Audio recording techniques with hand held audio recorders and audio editing in Adobe Audition

WEBSITE DESIGN

How to create an online portfolio using WordPress

PHOTOGRAPHY

Take your understanding of your camera to the next level. It's time to discover Manual Mode!

PHOTOSHOP

Learn basic image editing fundamentals using Adobe Photoshop!

PRINT DESIGN AND LAYOUT

Learn basic image editing fundamentals using Adobe Photoshop!

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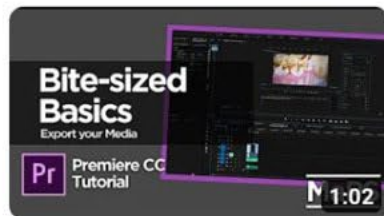
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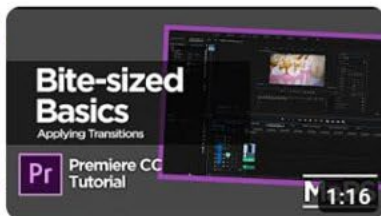
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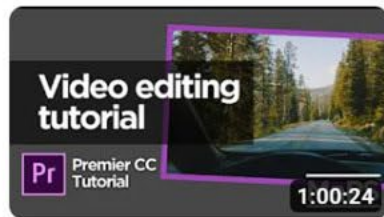
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AUDIO RECORDING BOOTHS



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MAPS IS HERE TO HELP

Learning digital skills can be a learning curve! We're here to support you on the ride.

Email: maps@uq.edu.au

Office: Rm 210, Joyce Ackroyd (39)

SUPPORT





Work Experience

- ☐ All UQ Students can access up to 30 days of Work Experience (not for course credit) Insurance per calendar year.
- ☐ Travel and Placement Insurance is also available for placement activities that are course requirements.
- ☐ School approval is essential prior to undertaking any Placement activity in order to access Insurance.
- ☐ Your program includes internship & field trip courses for credit towards your degree.



Placement & Work Experience Insurance

**For further information, please
contact:**

Sven Fea

SCA Placements Officer

**Level 6, Michie Building (i.e.,
Building 9)**

Email:

student.commarts@uq.edu.au

Phone: 07 3346 8286



JACS

UQ Journalism & Communication Society





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WHAT IS JACS?

- ❑ **The UQ Journalism and Communication Society, also known as JACS, is a student-run society.**
- ❑ **It was founded in 2006 to meet the professional, academic, and social needs of the Communication and Arts student body.**

WHAT DOES JACS DO?

- **It offers support for students.**
- **It organises student events (social and professional development).**

WHY JOIN JACS?

- **Exclusive and discounted access to events.**
- **Great way to make friends.**
- **Keep up-to-date with all things Communication & Arts.**
- **PRESS PASS.**
- **Exclusive deals and discounts to great venues around Brisbane.**

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

- ☐ **Become a member. Head to the website at uqjacs.com for more information.**
- ☐ **Come along to our events.**
- ☐ **Keep an eye on the Facebook page to stay up-to-date with all the events, internship, and networking opportunities.**

JACS

UQ Journalism & Communication Society





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Important terms explained

Important terms



Your University

Central
Faculty
School



Your Degree

Program
Plan

- Minor
- Major
- Extended major



Your Courses

Course

- Compulsory
- Elective

Unit

ECP

Blackboard

Terms explained

CENTRAL -- Refers to central services that are offered to all UQ students (e.g. Student Services).

FACULTY -- Depending on what you are studying, you may study under one or more faculties – most often you'll study within HASS Faculty.

HASS -- Stands for Humanities and Social Sciences (Faculty).

SCHOOL -- Depending on the major you take, you'll also interact with different schools (i.e., the home of your courses). There are 7 Schools in HASS Faculty.

Terms explained

PROGRAM – We call the overall degree you're studying a program (e.g., BJ).

STUDY PLAN -- Depending on the program, you can choose from three different study plans:

MINOR – A Minor is quite short and gives you a taster of a study area. A minor is made up of 8 units. Double Minor is 16 units.

MAJOR – A Major gives you good depth in a study area.

EXTENDED MAJOR – This is designed to help you do a deep dive into a study area.

Terms explained

COURSES -- You'll enrol in courses in order to start studying at UQ.

Generally, a course is made up of 2 units (i.e., the value of one course) but this sometimes varies.

There are 2 types of courses, namely:

COMPULSORY COURSE -- This means you have to do that course.

ELECTIVE COURSE – This means you can choose from a range of different courses.

Terms explained

COURSE PROFILE (CP) -- Gives you all the information about the specific courses in which you enrol (including readings, learning activities, and assessment).

BLACKBOARD – This is UQ's learning management system where you'll be able to access regular course information and updates.



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School Contact

If you need help with anything, contact our School at:

☐ EMAIL: communication-arts@uq.edu.au

☐ PHONE: (07) 3365 2552

☐ WEB: <https://communication-arts.uq.edu.au>

We'll answer your question or find someone who can.



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HASS FACULTY

HASS helps with:

- **Course and program advice**
- **Credit for previous study**
- **Academic progress**
- **Graduation checks**
- **Approval for overseas study**

CONTACT: support.my.uq.edu.au/app/ask

PHONE: 07-3365 1333

Get support

HASS Student Administration Team

- Degree questions
- Credit requests
- Academic progress
- Overseas study approval

Contact

hass.uq.edu.au/contact

School Student Administration Team

- Course questions
- Timetables
- Assessment

Contact

hass.uq.edu.au/your-academic-resources

HASS Student Futures Team

- Extra-curricular opportunities
- Career mentoring and seminars
- Leadership development

Contact

hass.uq.edu.au/enrich-your-study-experience

UQ Student Services

- Learning assistance
- Disability support
- Counselling
- International student services
- Accommodation
- Multi-faith chaplaincy

Contact

my.uq.edu.au/student-support



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Important dates

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Monday 21 July - Friday 25 July

Orientation Week for Semester 2, 2025

Monday 28 July

First day of classes for Semester 2, 2025

Friday 8 August

Last day to add a course for Semester 2, 2025

Saturday 31 August

Census Date

Last date to **drop** Semester 2, 2025 courses or cancel enrolment without **financial** liability

Monday 30 September

Last date to **drop** a course for Semester 2, 2025 or cancel enrolment without **academic** liability

Course enrolment & tutorial sign-on

- Log into [Starting at UQ](#). Go to mySI-net to enrol in courses.
- Once you are enrolled in a course, you should be able to see if tutorial sign-on is required. If not, this will be covered in your first lecture.
- If you have a problem with sign-on, email your school admin team.

Textbooks

Wait until Week 1 to work out what textbooks you should get

- **Buy:** [The School Locker](#) or [Second-hand Texts & Stationary](#)
- **Print:** [UQ Print](#)
- **Borrow:** [UQ Library](#)

Stay Connected



UQ Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences

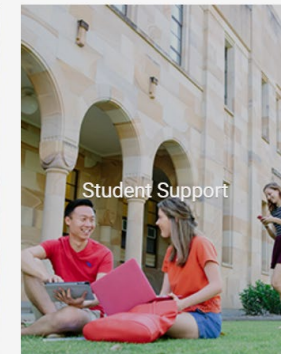
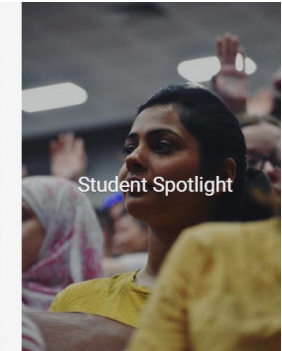
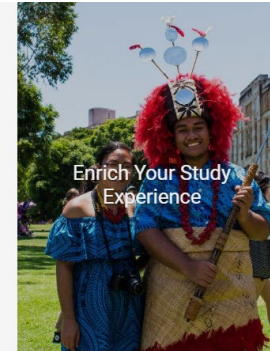
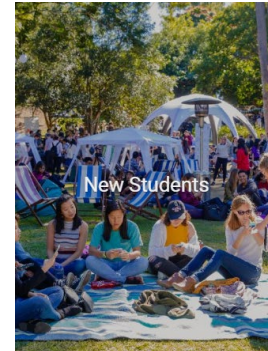


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Quick Survey

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