QUT Accommodation Self-Help Guide

A simple guide to finding safe and suitable accommodation in Brisbane



1 Choose your accommodation



Shared accommodation

Share with friends or other students.



Student accommodation

Purpose-built student housing (fully furnished, often with utilities and internet).



Private rental

Rent your own room, unit or house (unfurnished or furnished).

2 Set your budget

- **Weekly rent**
- **Bond** (usually up to 4 weeks' rent)
- **Utilities and internet** (included or extra cost)
- **Transport costs** (e.g. bus, train, ferry)
- **Food and personal expenses**

Choose an option that is affordable and practical for your lifestyle.

3 Start searching

QUT Accommodation listings
qut.studystays.com.au

QUT accommodation information
qut.edu.au/study/student-life/living-in-brisbane/accommodation-in-brisbane

Other rental websites
realestate.com.au | domain.com.au

Public transport planning
translink.com.au

4 Inspect before you commit

- Check the address and travel time to campus.
- Confirm what is included in the rent (e.g. furniture, utilities, internet).
- Inspect the room and shared spaces.
- Check safety, locks and property condition.

5 Before you sign

- Read the tenancy or rooming agreement carefully.
- Confirm the rent, bond and lease length.
- Understand any house rules or extra charges.
- Keep copies of everything you sign.

6 Move in smart

- Complete the entry condition report.
- Take photos when you move in.
- Keep receipts for rent and bond.
- Know your rights and responsibilities.

Scam alert

- Be careful of fake rental listings.
- Do not send money before verifying the property and provider.
- If an offer looks too good to be true, it probably is.

Need help?



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For tenancy information in Queensland, visit the Residential Tenancies Authority (RTA).

If you are under 18, approved accommodation or additional supervision requirements may apply. For more information, email accommodation@qut.edu.au.