

FACT SHEET

QUEENSLAND CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION

Students in Queensland are issued with a **Senior Education Profile** upon completion of Year 12. Included in this profile could be:

Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) - for eligible students
Senior Statement
Statement of Results
Tertiary Entrance Statement - for eligible students

The **Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)** is Queensland's current senior school qualification awarded to **eligible** students for the first time in 2008. The QCE recognises broad learning options and offers flexibility to students in relation to their choice of learnings. Different types of learning contribute different credit values.

The QCE will be awarded to students who have completed 20 credits, in the required pattern and met the required standard of literacy and numeracy. All senior high school courses of study are assigned a credit value which will contribute to this qualification.

All students commencing in Year 11 studies will have a "learning account" opened for them by the school they attend which is registered with the Queensland Studies Authority. This learning account is a web-based record for each Queensland student which charts a student's progress through senior learning activities. This learning account may be accessed by students and parents via a password-protected site through the Career Information Service at www.cis.qsa.qld.edu.au.

Partially-completed Authority and Authority-registered subjects, and VET Certificates II, III, and IV can contribute credit towards the award of a QCE providing the set standard is achieved. Please refer to the separate information sheets which have been prepared in consultation with the QSA relating to VET Options in Schools – QCE Eligibility and VET Options in Schools for International Students.

It is possible that a student may not have achieved a QCE. The main reason for this would be the student did not complete the 20 credit points required or did not meet the literacy and numeracy requirements. Students have nine years in which to complete the requirements for a QCE so this may be achieved after they have completed Year 12.

A **Senior Statement** is a transcript of the learning account for all students completing Year 12 at a school. It shows all studies and the results achieved that may contribute towards the award of a QCE.

A **Statement of Results** is a transcript of the learning account for students **not** enrolled at a school. It shows all studies and the results achieved that may contribute towards the award of a QCE.

The **Tertiary Entrance Statement** shows the eligible student's Overall Position (OP) and Field Positions (FPs). Rankings are used to determine eligibility for admission for tertiary courses.

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