

O Week

Undergraduate External Students



GetReady4Uni - Orientation Online

GetReady4Uni is JCU's online Orientation program designed to assist you to transition successfully to university. It is also where you will find all your O Week information.

GetReady4Uni consists of a number of short, interactive modules which all new students are required to complete before O Week.

jcu.edu.au/getready4uni

Undergraduate Course Introductions

O Week sessions will be delivered online through JCU's virtual classroom platform called Collaborate. You can access each session by clicking on your course name on the day and time specified. Virtual rooms open 30 minutes prior to the session start time. A must for all students, these sessions are delivered by your First Year Coordinator and will help you understand your course structure, academic expectations, and career paths.

DATE	TIME	COURSE	ONLINE VIA COLLABORATE
Monday, 19 July	12.00pm-2.00pm	Diploma of Higher Education (All Majors)	
Friday, 23 July	10.00am-12.00pm	Bachelor of Education	
Friday, 23 July	10.00am-11.00am	Bachelor of Information Technology	
Friday, 23 July	10.00am-11.00am	Bachelor of Laws	
Friday, 23 July	10.00am-11.00am	Bachelor of Nursing Science	

Access online sessions

Online information sessions, repeat sessions and short courses will be delivered using a virtual classroom called **Collaborate**.

Click [here](#) for information on how to access and setup Collaborate on your device.

Need Help? Please raise a JCU ServiceNow request with the IT Help Desk by emailing ithelpdesk@jcu.edu.au.

Indigenous Australian Students' Induction

The Indigenous Education and Research Centre (IERC) welcome all new students who identify as Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. In this session, you will receive guidance on how to begin your study journey, and how our experienced staff can support you.

Please attend one of the sessions to meet staff and other new students. We look forward to meeting you.

Wednesday 14 July 5pm to 7pm
(online via Collaborate - [click here](#))

Thursday 22 July 12pm to 2pm
(online via Collaborate - [click here](#))

Information Sessions

Monday 19 July

JCU Support Services

Come along for your official JCU welcome and learn about all of the support services available to JCU students. These sessions will be delivered online via Collaborate and you can access by clicking [here](#).

TIME	ACTIVITY	ONLINE VIA COLLABORATE
9.30am – 9.45am	Official Welcome to JCU	
9.45am – 10.00am	Careers and Employability Learn what you can do to kickstart your career from your first day at university and how we can help.	
10.00am - 10.15am	The Student Centre Covers the essentials you need before lectures start. You will be introduced to online student portals, important dates, study plans, timetables and ID cards, as well as your financial obligations and where to go for help.	
10.30am - 10.45am	IT Help Desk This session will introduce you to the IT Services available to you as a student of JCU. Learn how to use JCU computers, access printers, free software, email and the wireless network, and where to go for help if you need it.	
10.45am – 11.00am	The Learning Centre This session will highlight key strategies for a successful start to your studies, and provide information about services available to assist you in developing your academic skills throughout your time at JCU.	
11.00am - 11.15am	Student Equity and Wellbeing Meet our staff and learn about the range of support services to help you balance life with uni and succeed in your studies.	
11.15am - 11.30am	Off-Campus Library Services In this introduction to the JCU Library you will find out how to contact the Liaison Librarian for your course and the many services available to our off-campus students.	

Thursday 22 July

Active learning is key for success at university and this series of live webinars are designed to guide you through strategies and skills for academic success in your first year of study.

For link to Collaborate room, please register at bit.ly/registrations212.

TIME	ACTIVITY	ONLINE VIA COLLABORATE
5.00pm - 6.00pm	Mature Age Student Panel Join us to meet and talk with some of JCU's mature age students and discuss strategies for successful return to study, particularly ways to balance your study, family and work.	
6.00pm - 7.00pm	Keys to Academic Success (Part One) Get ready for the first few weeks of class. Create a study plan, draw on three simple steps for assessment success and build your learning connections through reading, writing and your learning community.	
7.00pm - 8.00pm	Keys to Academic Success (Part Two) Your assignment is only as good as your research. Come and work with Library staff to build some serious research muscle. You will also undertake a Referencing Bootcamp where you will learn the basics of referencing and how to avoid plagiarism.	



ONLINE SPEED FRIENDING

WED 21 JULY ~ 2.30pm-3.30pm

Meet new and interesting people during this fun social event.
Perfect for online and external students!

Visit facebook.com/jcustudentassociation for details and if you live in Townsville or Cairns go to jcu.edu.au for the full social program.



Win a \$100 Voucher!

We want feedback on your O Week experience! From **Friday 23 July** – complete the short online survey about your O Week experience and you will go into the draw to win a \$100 voucher.

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Online Short Courses, Workshops and Modules

JCU offers a range of FREE online short courses, workshops and modules as part of Orientation.

The Learning Centre

Click on the headings below for more information and registration details.

Maths Refresher

This course is designed to build confidence and competence in students returning to maths or in need of a refresher.

Academic Writing

This course addresses the skills needed to research and write various academic texts such as essays, reports and annotated bibliographies.

Study Well in Australia

For students with English as an additional language. These modules provide skills and strategies to help you develop your academic English vocabulary and critical reading skills.

Basic Statistics

Revise basic statistics concepts that will support future learning throughout your degree.

Getting the Most from Your Readings

Learn how to read more efficiently and develop strategies to interact creatively and critically with the information you have read.

JCU Library

Click on the headings below for more information and registration details.

Exploring the Digital Library

Learn how to make the most of the digital resources the library has to offer, including navigating ebook platforms and their useful features.

APA7 Referencing

Learn how to use the APA7 Referencing Guide effectively with some real referencing questions. Bring your own examples for referencing feedback.

Introduction to EndNote

Learn the basics of creating a personal library of references collected during your research and how to apply them to your assignment writing.

Finding Information for Assignments

This session includes defining your research topic, searching for and evaluating resources, and OneSearch tips and tricks.

AMA Referencing

Join us for an introduction to the basics of AMA referencing followed by a question and answer session with your examples.

Student Mentor Program

Student Mentors are trained, experienced students who study in the same or similar course to you, and can answer any questions you may have about your studies or settling into university life.

Please email offcampus-studentmentors@jcu.edu.au to be assigned a Student Mentor.



Attending JCU O Week and having a Student Mentor increases your success rates by up to 23%!
(2019 JCU Retention Data)

