

Semester 2 2026 Orientation

Master of Music (MMus), Graduate Certificate of Music (GCMus)

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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. Language and studying in English
2. Understanding your program structure
3. Preparing for your courses
4. Settling into university life



1. Language and studying in English

- ENGLISH is the language of Teaching, Learning and Assessment at UQ
- UQ offers support for students whose first language is not English (see <https://my.uq.edu.au/student-support>)



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2. Understanding your program structure

Important terms



Your University
Central



Faculty (HASS)



School (Music)



Your Degree
Program
(Master of Music
(MMus))
Plan
Program Convenor
(Simon Perry)



Your Courses

Course

- Core/compulsory
- Elective

Course Co-ordinator
Unit (#)

Course Profile
Learn.UQ (aka
“Blackboard”)

(learn.uq.edu.au)



Everyone in the Course:

- Lecture
- Seminar
- Forum



Small groups:

- Tutorial
- Workshop
- Prac
- Class



One-to-one (you with a teacher):

- Practical lesson
- Supervision

Postgraduate Courses in the School of Music

Master of Music (MMus) 1.5 years

24 units

- 8 units of program core courses
- 16 units of program elective electives

Master of Music (MMus) 1 year

24 units

- 8 units of program core courses
- 8 units of program elective courses
- *8 units for approved recognised prior study and/or work experience*

Graduate Certificate in Music (GCMus) 0.5 years

8 Units

- 8 units of program elective courses

MMus Core Courses

	Semester 1	Semester 2
Complete ALL (#8) over 3 semesters	MUSC7060 #2 Advanced Musicianship	MUSC7010 #2 Applications of Music Technology
	MUSC7470 #2 Counterpoint	MUSC7370 #2 Psychology for Musicians: Performing, Teaching and Wellbeing

Suggest:

Semester 2 2026 (#2)

Semester 1 2027 (#4)

Semester 2 2027 (#2)

MMus Elective Courses

- Complete #16 from the MMus Program Elective Course list
- Some restrictions apply, including:
 - Permission for MUSC7000, MUSC7001, all HHSS60XX courses
 - Audition for MUSC7250 and MUSC7620
 - Take MUSC3160 (semester two) if you wish to take MUSC7160 (semester 1)
- May include up to #6 from the BMus course list for courses at level 3 (MUSC3XXX)
- Not all courses offered in both semester 1 and 2, so check your course plan to make sure you have chosen courses in a suitable order to complete

MMus Elective Courses—take note:

Introductory feeder courses for preparation for core courses (if needed)

MUSC7005 Introduction to Music Technology	→ MUSC7010
MUSC7050 Musicianship 1	→ MUSC7470, MUSC7060

Thesis courses

MUSC7000 Thesis (year long, semester 1, 2)	HoS Permission required: EoI, interview, GPA $\geq$ 5.5. Strong academic English essential
MUSC7001 Thesis (year long, semester 2, 1)	

Faculty research methods courses

HHSS6020 Research Design in the Social Sciences	NOT available unless you already have permission to do MUSC7000 or MUSC7001 Semester 1 only
HHSS6030 Research Design in Humanities	
HHss6040 Research Design in Arts and Culture	



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3. Preparing for semester 1

Your course profile

A course profile gives you the key information about a course. It outlines the course aims and learning objectives, required resources, assessment criteria and due dates, and other important information.

Secure Assessment

This assessment is designed to protect academic integrity and assess your understanding of course concepts. You must only use the approved materials and tools for this assessment task. Use of prohibited materials in this task may be investigated and treated as academic misconduct. See assessment instructions for more details.

- Restricted materials only
- Designed to protect academic integrity
- Shows *your* individual understanding
- Examples: exams, supervised quizzes

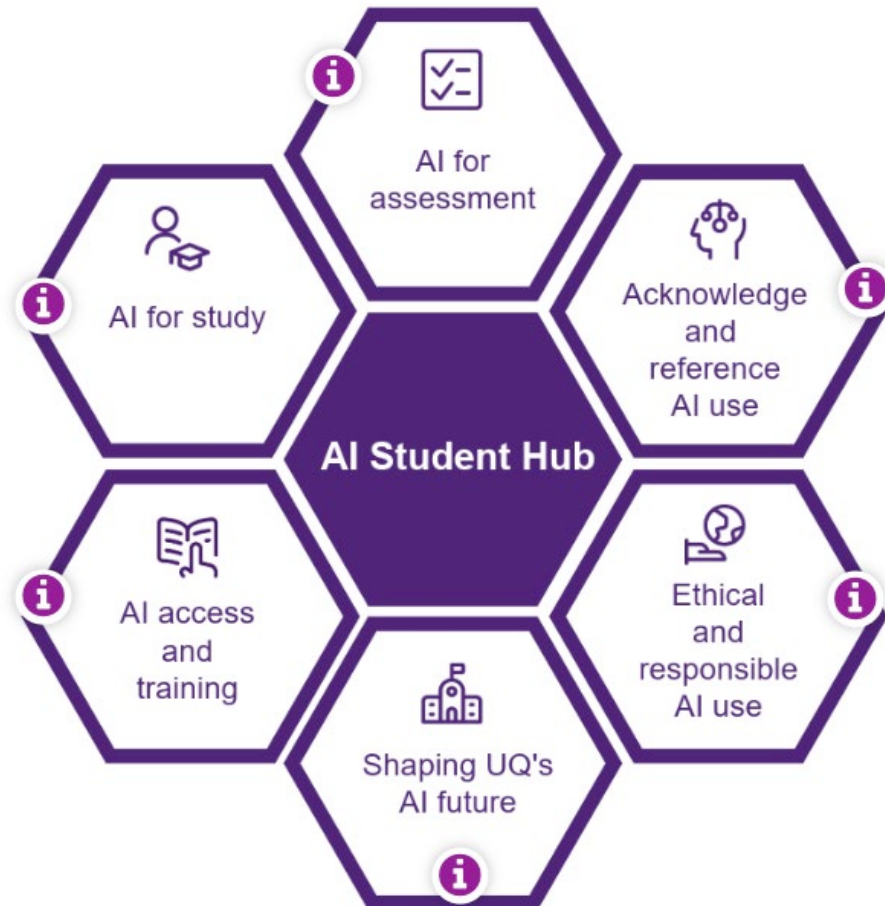
Open Assessment

In this assessment you can use resources such as your notes, course materials, and other tools, including AI, while completing the task. The focus is not on memorising information, but on understanding, applying judgement, and demonstrating your own thinking

- Use notes, course materials, and responsible use of AI
- Focus on judgement & application
- Demonstrate your own thinking
- Examples: reports, projects, take-home tasks

AI Student Hub

Learn how to use AI responsibly and effectively in your studies.



Acknowledge and reference AI use

- **Acknowledgement** is where you describe how you used AI in your assessment, such as:

ChatGPT was used for suggestions, brainstorming and editing within this work.

- **Referencing** is where you follow a specific referencing style e.g. APA and include your AI use as in-text references or footnotes and in a reference list in your work.

You might be required to use **one or both methods** in your assessment.

Important dates

Monday 20 – Friday 25 July

Orientation Week Semester 2 2026

Monday 27 July

Classes commence Semester 2 2026

Sunday 9 August

Last day to add a course or alter enrolment for Semester 2 2026

Monday 31 August

“The Census Date”

Last date to **drop** Semester 2 2026 courses or cancel
enrolment without **financial** liability

Wednesday 30 September

Last date to **drop** Semester 1 2026 courses or cancel
enrolment without **academic penalty**

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](#)



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4. Settling into university life

During Orientation Week and Week 1

- Read the Course Profiles for each course you are doing—make sure you understand—ask questions if you do not!
- Visit the Blackboard site for each course
- Log in to the UQ Academic Integrity Modules (AIM) and start working through them. (Hint: Google “UQ Academic Integrity Modules” for access)
- Find the buildings and rooms your classes are in
- If arranged, take your audition for MUSC7260 (will be too late if not already arranged—if so, audition for MUSC7260 in semester 2)
- Attend other events
- Explore the Campus

Access support

HASS Student Administration Team

- Program requirements
- 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

- Volunteer opportunities
- Career mentoring
- Community events

Contact

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

UQ Student Central

- Student administration
- Student counselling
- Accessibility and welfare
- Careers and employability

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<https://my.uq.edu.au/contact/student-central>

UQ Library

- Course Reading Lists
- Referencing Guides
- Find and Borrow Study Resources
- Book a Study/Practise Space

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