

EAIT Faculty – Progression Alert Student Workshop

Acknowledgement 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.

The Brisbane River pattern from A Guidance Through Time by Casey Coolwell and Kyra Mancktelow.



Questions

We love questions. Please ask!

This is a Zoom seminar.

You can post questions. They are seen only by the staff running the seminar.

You can post anonymously or give us your name for follow up afterwards.

We will answer all questions and can answer additional questions at the end.





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01 Why are we here?

Why are we here?

Because the EAIT Faculty want to help you help yourself.

A Progression Alert is a warning that things need to change.

Faculty staff (Academic and Professional) have seen first-hand the sorts of actions many students have put in place to change outcomes.





Why have I received a Progression Alert?

UQs Early Warning System

Failed at least 50% of the total unit value of courses for which you received a final grade

Withdrawn without
Academic penalty after
the census date, from all
courses in the current
Study Review Period

Received a failing grade for one or more courses that you have previously failed - within the same or different program of study



Perspective



Maintain your sense of self-worth.

You got here and there are lots of good things ahead!

Remember your goals:

Long-term = Your degree and career

Medium term = Pass the course

Short term = Assessment submission



02 Reflection 1

Reflection 1

This is an exercise for you. No need to share. Write in a document or on a piece of paper. You can add to this as we go.

Looking back at last semester, what were the major reasons leading to your Progression Alert?

Separate into:

- Things you didn't have control over (e.g. serious sudden illness).
- Things you did have control over (e.g. not attending class when you could have).





The past is the past



Forgive yourself and move-on.

Let's look ahead at things we can DO to get things back on track!

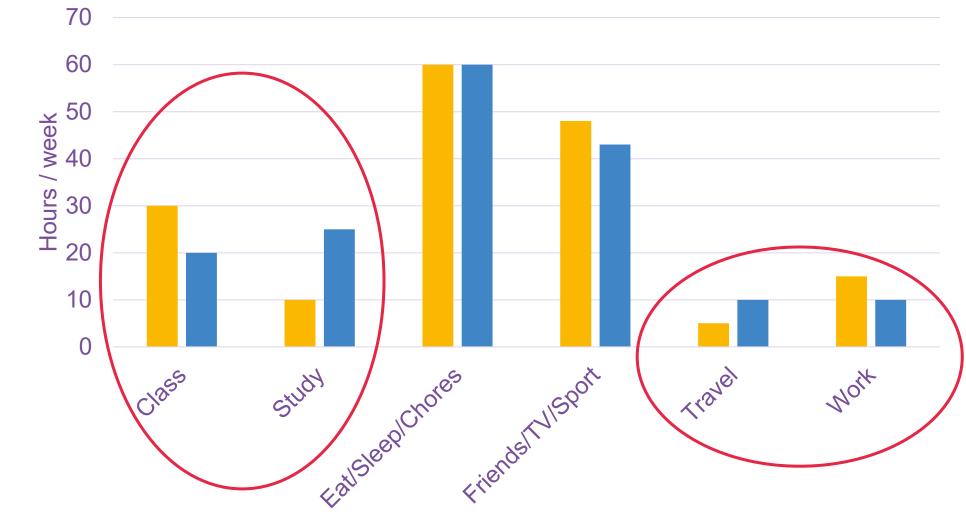


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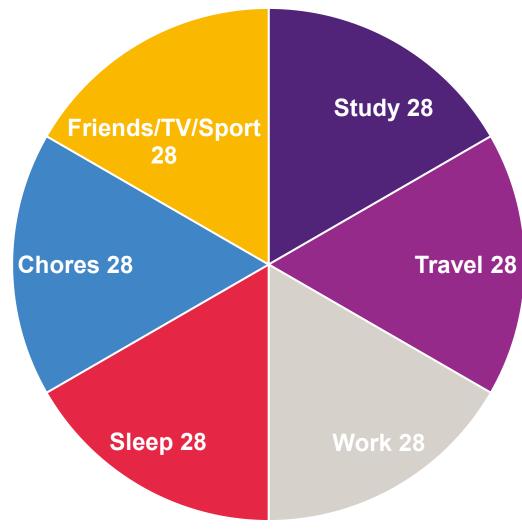
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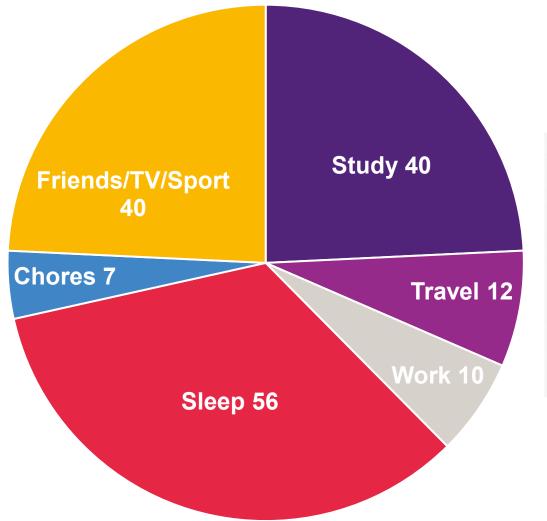


A week is 168 hours....





But a week really looks like this...





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Work vs Study

Working more than 10 hours per week is not recommended when studying full time.

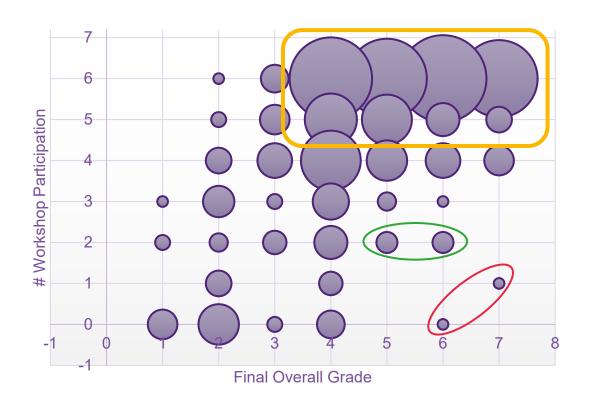
Think carefully about how much you NEED to work during semester.

Something will have to give if you work more than 10 hours per week.





Study is hard work



Developing mastery takes time, effort, and planning.

It also requires trying stuff, getting stuff wrong, and confusion!



04 Getting set for success





Study or take a break?

Are you excited or dreading the semester ahead?



Be committed to the semester ahead or

Take a break

- If you are a **Domestic student**, you can interrupt your studies. In some cases, you need to <u>apply to interrupt</u>. Get academic advice from the EAIT Faculty.
- o If you are an International student, and want to interrupt your studies, you must apply to interrupt.
 - You must seek prior approval to interrupt your studies. Failure to do so may impact your student visa. Get academic advice from the EAIT Faculty.



Number of courses

Choose a realistic load



Reduce your enrolment

- If you are a **Domestic student**, you can reduce your enrolment this semester to 4-6 units.
- If you are an International student, and want to reduce your enrolment, send your request to under-enrol to the Faculty for approval eaitsupport@uq.edu.au
 - You must seek prior approval to reduce your study load. Failure to do so may impact your student visa.



Correct courses

Use academic advice and choose carefully



Choose your courses carefully

 Only enroll in courses you have passed the pre-requisites for

 Get academic advice about what subjects to choose over at least the next two semesters to support your progress.

See an academic advisor not friends!

Mental & Physical Health and SAP

- Very important that you actively manage your mental and physical well being
- Keep seeing (or start seeing) your healthcare practitioner
- If you need a Student Access Plan – get one as soon as possible.





Plan your time

https://my.uq.edu.au/information-and-services/student-support/study-skills/time-management-and-procrastination

- Plan your day (list however you want)
 - list your achievable tasks for the day
 - organise the tasks by priority
 - think about the size of each task and allocate enough time to complete them (double your first estimate!)
 - include a variety of different tasks to help keep you motivated





Plan your time

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- Plan your week (use your calendar)
 - Classes
 - times for study and assignment work for each subject
 - work, social events, sport, relaxation, etc.
 - sleep, mealtimes, travel (class, work etc.), etc.

HOW TO USE THE WEEKLY PLANNER



- 1. Determine your basic weekly routine by putting in all fixed commitments like lecture times and work hours
- 2. Work out the hours you'll dedicate to university studies. We suggest that you treat uni like a job that has regular hours, even if only some of those hours are dedicated to "meeting
- 3. Remember to allocate time for travel, meals, household chores etc
- 4. Note that it is expected to take about 10 hours per week in total to master each 2 unit course. This time includes lectures, general study and working on assignments.
- 5. Get in touch with the Learning Advisers to upskill your assignment writing, reading and researching at my.uq.edu.au/contact/student-life/how-learning-adviser-can-help

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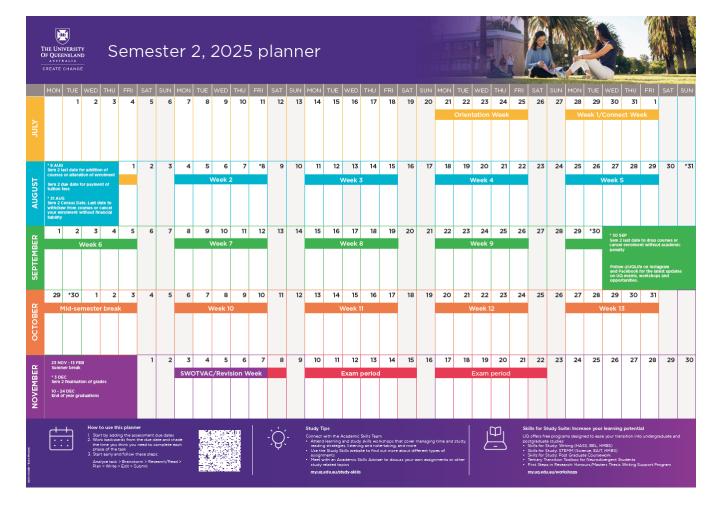


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Plan the whole semester

- Regular classes (into calendar)
- practicals, field trips, etc. that are not every week.
- assignment due dates
- exams
- any other important dates
- include important social/life events
- include important work events





Semester 2, 2025 planner

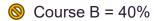




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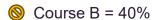
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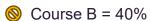




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How you study is important!

Once you have planned your time, use it effectively! Workshops about this are available. Extra important if you feel exams are a major issue for you.

Effective:

- Ooing stuff!
- Testing yourself
- Discussing your work/ideas with peers
- Making summaries
- Writing down your questions
- Using feedback
- o etc.



Ineffective:

- Passive consumption
- Re-watching lectures
- Re-writing notes
- "Solving" problems using solutions regularly
- Ignoring feedback
- o etc.

Aim high

But be realistic in expectations

- Aim for at least a 5.
- Consistently getting 4s will eventually result in a 3 or 2.
- Change is hard. Passing everything is a great step forward. Don't be discouraged if you don't get 5+ next semester.
- Continue the changes you have made and grades of 5+ will come.





05 Reflection 2

Reflection 2

This is an exercise for you. No need to share. Write in a document or on a piece of paper. You can add to this as we go.

What do you plan to do differently in the upcoming semester?

- What are your goals this semester?
- Identify 3 (or more) things you are going to change this semester to help your study.
- Be realistic and as specific as possible.





06 Help and Support

Myth!

University is sink or swim and no-one cares about how you are going.



Truth!

We care and there is lots of support available.

BUT

You need to reach out or we cannot help.





Getting Help And Support

Courses and coursework



Need help working out what courses to enrol in?

- Contact EAIT Academic Advisors
- https://www.eait.uq.edu.au/currentstudents/manage-your-program/academic-advice

Help with your academic work?

- Course coordinator; Tutors check the course profile.
- UQ Library: Workshops and support

Have a question and can't find what you're looking for or would like further support?

Contact us via Phone, Email or Chat Online.

https://www.eait.uq.edu.au/contact



Student Support @ UQ: Study skills

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Access Workshops and Learning Support

- General study skills
 - Help with how to study
 - Problem-solving skills
 - Critical reading and analysis
- Exam tips
- Assignment writing
- Group work
- Presentation skills
- Statistics support
- Time management and procrastination



Student Support @ UQ

Life can be a lot. Use the support available!



Student Central Support Services

- Administration (ID Cards, Enrolment, Fees and more)
- Support Services (Counselling, Financial hardship assistance, accommodation, <u>study skills</u> and more)
- Enrichment and Employability (Career advice, global experiences, research programs)



Student Support @ UQ

Proactive workshops for life and university



Student Life

- <u>Life and wellbeing workshops</u> (Peer writing support, mindfulness meditation and more.)
- Other workshops available through student services (study skills etc.)

UQ Library

- Workshops in software, research skills and more.
- Other library services for students



Monitor yourself

Don't ignore early indicators of trouble.



What might indicate you need help?

- Dramatic change in life circumstances
- Not doing things you enjoy
- Doing things you enjoy excessively!
- Not going to class
- Late with assessment
- Mutiple extensions
- Etc.

If this happens, reach out, help is available. If in doubt, ask!



07
What happens if results don't improve?



If results don't improve?

Progression Improvement Plan

Progression Intervention Notice issued

You'll be asked to submit a Progression Improvement Plan to the Associate Dean (Academic)

The plan should include all the steps you have taken to improve your results.

You must include evidence:

 So what you choose to do now matters! You may be required to attend an interview.

The Associate Dean (Academic) will make decision on your enrolment:

- Limit number of courses
- Require you seek assistance
- Require a break

Legislation & UQ Policy





All Students: Maximum time for completion

 All students: Check the <u>Enrolment</u> policy.
 Otherwise, you have up to 10 years to complete your degree

International Students: Student visa

- You must comply with all visa conditions. These may include:
 - Maintain enrolment in a registered program
 - Maintain satisfactory course progress
 - Complete their program by the end date on their Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).
 - If graduation is delayed, apply for a new CoE.

Interruption Policy

- There is a limit to the length and number of interruptions you can take, and a new process to apply for an interruption and/or return from an interruption
- Maximum interruption is 2 years.
- What you do next depends on if you're a domestic student or an international student.

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Be aware that all degrees have a maximum completion time.

This includes ALL interruptions whether they are self-imposed or required as part of a progression intervention.

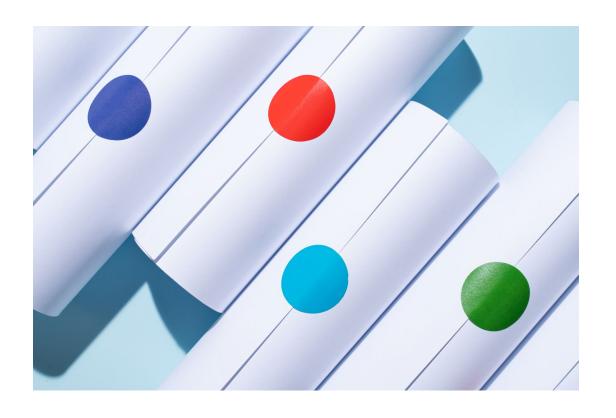
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Changes to JRG

JRG = Job Ready Graduates



From 1 January 2024, the Australian Government has **REMOVED** the 50% pass rate requirement for students in a Commonwealth supported place (CSP) or accessing HECS-HELP or FEE-HELP assistance.

This applies to all domestic students regardless of when you started your degree.



08 What happens next?

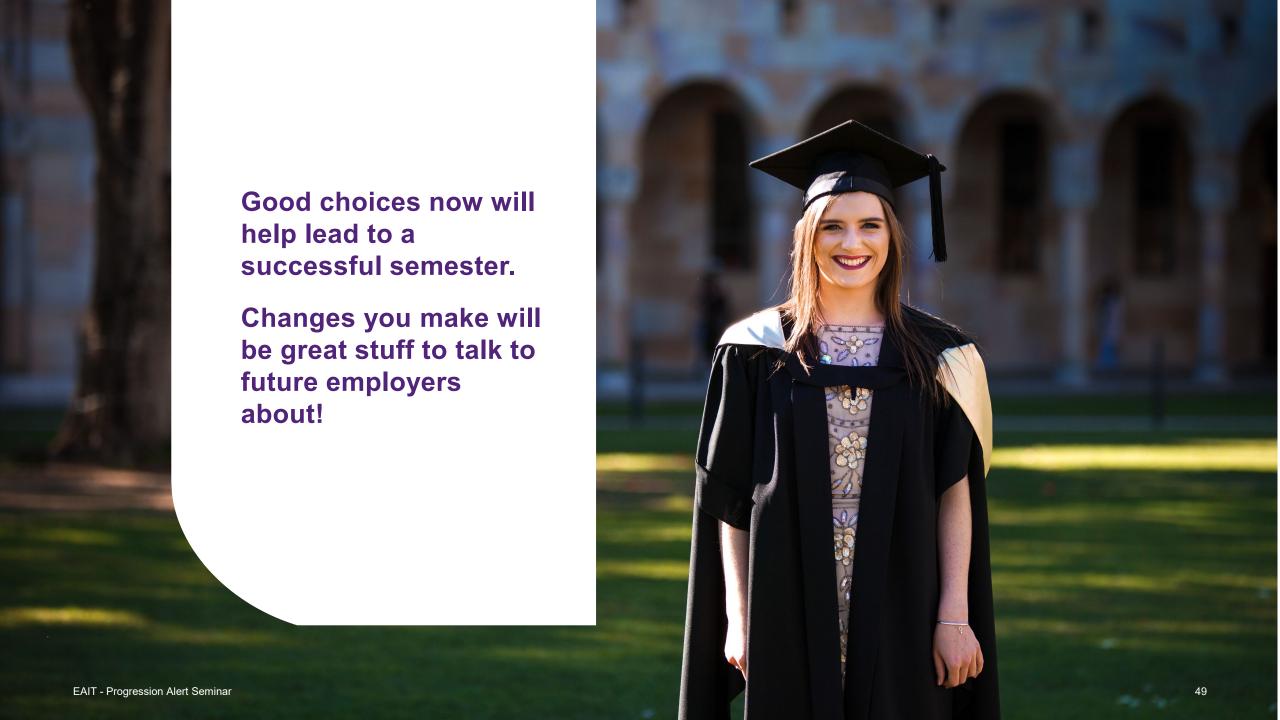
Important Dates

Refer to the Academic Calendar:

You need to be aware of these dates (put in semester planner)

- Last date to add semester one courses:
 - 8 August 2025
- Census date (last day to drop a course without financial liability):
 - o 31 August 2025
- Last day to drop courses or cancel enrolment without academic penalty:
 - 30 September 2025







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Thanks. Questions?