

The Gateway to Industry Schools program aims to develop our future workforce by building bridges between school and industry. The program provides opportunities in the learning environment to nurture talent and grow and foster Queensland's future workforce.

The program enables industry and the education and training sector to collaboratively deliver outcomes for students, local communities, businesses and industry.

Ten industry sectors are included in the program:

- Advanced manufacturing
- Agribusiness
- Aerospace
- Building and construction
- Community services
- Food, wine and tourism
- Health
- Information and communication technology
- Minerals and energy
- Screen media

Strong partnerships between schools and industry

The program facilitates partnerships between schools and industry to help young people acquire the knowledge, skills and attributes to effectively participate in the Queensland economy. Industry participation also provides school teachers with the skills to better support students undertaking

vocational education and training (VET) including school-based traineeships or apprenticeships. In addition to school-based VET support, the program offers up-to-date training and career information to teachers and career guidance officers to help students make informed decisions on future career and training opportunities.

Engagement of parents, peers and influencers

The program recognises the major role parents, care givers and families play in student decision making about careers, VET and employment pathways. Each project offers up-to-date career information to parents, care givers and families to help students make informed decisions about in-demand careers, local job opportunities and training pathways.

Industry led skills development

The Gateway to Industry Schools program provides industry with the flexibility to develop and implement tailored school engagement approaches and activities. Each project is led by industry organisations, so school-based learning and engagement activities are structured to support the development of key industry skills and workforce priorities.

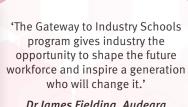


Industry training and professional development

The program offers teachers the opportunity to engage in industry relevant training and professional development. Contemporary industry knowledge enables teachers to facilitate better connections between the Australian and Queensland curricula and career and training opportunities for their students. The program provides access to current career information to help students choose the relevant pathway to achieve their next step towards a successful career.

Valuable industry experience

The program delivers a range of learning experiences with industry-supported activities to assist students in making informed career choices and opening pathways to employment. Students gain valuable industry experience while still at school, providing them with the tools, skills and knowledge to make informed decisions about postschool training, education and employment.



Dr James Fielding, Audeara

'The Gateway to Industry Schools program is a vital school activity that showcases the importance of STEAM as being integral to student skill sets and essential to school curriculum, training and employment pathways.'

> Jimmy Southwood Kelvin Grove State College

'This program has helped us engage local schools to find potential employees and provide both students and GE Aviation employees development opportunities.'

Andrew Howard, Operations Manager, GE Aviation

'The ability to work in partnership with the Gateway Schools project in a sequenced approach around industry contexts is overwhelmingly positive for our school.'

> Josette Moffatt, Principal, Miles State High School

'As a Gateway to Industry Schools partner, it has been my pleasure to ignite students' passion for the industry whilst giving them important tools to actively pursue and take charge of achieving their career goals.'

> Amanda Lutvey, Director, Career Culture Lab

Gateway to Industry Schools program has encouraged us to promote agricultural careers and forge industry links in a way not possible before. It is important for the schools participating in the program to get together to share ideas regarding projects.'

> Bob Hibbard, teacher, Bundaberg Christian College

'Events like the Toolkit4School Kids help focus the students on the important things they need to do at school to become tradespersons.'

Teacher, Spinifex State College, Mount Isa



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