UQ STARTUP ADVENTURE GUIDELINES

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

UQ Startup Adventures are available to students currently enrolled in coursework at The University of Queensland (i.e. undergraduate, honours, graduate certificate, graduate diploma, masters levels of study or students enrolled in research higher degree (RHD) programs), and who remain enrolled for the duration of their activity. Full-degree international students are welcome to apply. Students must have completed at least one semester of study (i.e. at least six units of credit) at UQ before applying for a grant.

Applicants must:
• have previously participated in UQ Idea Hub or UQ Weekend of Startups
• be fully available for the entire program
• have a cumulative GPA of 5 on their UQ studies report
• must be enrolled to UQ in 2019 and have at least one semester remaining of their degree

Grants are not available to:
• international students returning to their home country
• UQ staff members employed on a full-time basis

OBLIGATIONS

• Students are expected to participate in the full four weeks of their internship and to attend all additional networking and development activities.
• Some students may be in a position to undertake some programming or technical work, however, most students will shadow the founder of the startup they are matched with.
• Students will be bound to confidentiality and will be clearly informed of their legal and performance obligations.
• Students are expected to share their UQ Startup Adventure through daily photos, weekly vlogs and/or blog posts. This will be clearly outlined prior to departure.

HOW TO APPLY

The UQ Startup Adventures have a merit-based, competitive application process. Applicants must complete and submit the current electronic application form located in StudentHub.

HOW APPLICATIONS ARE ASSESSED

The UQ Startup Adventure participants are determined by a Selection Panel consisting of representatives from the UQ Student Employability Centre and UQ Faculties taking into consideration the following at the time of application:
• the relevance of the activity to a students’ entrepreneurship endeavour and how it will aid professional development toward an entrepreneurship journey;
• the strength of each application and the responses to the application selection criteria;
• academic merit (cumulative GPA on the students UQ studies report).

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

• After the closing date, all applications will be checked to ensure their eligibility. If your application does not meet the criteria, you will be informed via email. Please note that meeting the eligibility criteria does not necessarily result in an acceptance being awarded.
• The UQ Startup Adventure Selection Committee will convene to assess all applications and acceptance will be awarded accordingly.
• All successful and unsuccessful students will be notified by email within four weeks of the closing date.
• Successful applicants will be required to submit their bank details and travel details into StudentHub and will be paid within six weeks of the closing date.

TIPS

For application and interview preparation, you can book in a consultation with your UQ employability team:
• EAIT www.eait.uq.edu.au/employability
• BELSET www.bel.uq.edu.au/set
• SEC www.employability.uq.edu.au

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further Startup Adventure information including opening and closing dates please see www.ideahub.uq.edu.au/startup-adventures

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