1. Purpose and Objectives

The University does not expect students to repeat learning that has been successfully completed at a similar level and standard elsewhere, where that work is substantially the same in content and standard as that required for the student’s current program of study at The University of Queensland.

2. Definitions, Terms, Acronyms

Previous formal studies – consideration granted with respect to courses and/or programs completed at this or another higher education institution but may include studies undertaken at TAFE, Open Learning
Australia or other accredited private learning organisations.

**Recognised prior learning (RPL)** – previous informal studies that involved learning that is less structured in nature and that can be demonstrated to be equivalent to appropriate University of Queensland studies.

### 3. Policy Scope/Coverage

This policy applies to all students at The University of Queensland and all programs offered at The University of Queensland.

### 4. Policy Statement

The University may grant students credit for previous formal studies and recognised prior (informal) learning in relation to:

1. **Admission** - Prior formal and informal learning can be used for the admission requirements to a program including satisfying prerequisite or prior study requirements.
2. **Credit Transfer** – Where a number of units, up to a specified limit, may be granted towards a University of Queensland award, on the basis of either previous formal or informal learning.
3. **Exemption** - While no reduction in the total number of units required to satisfy program requirements is given for prior formal or informal learning, students do not have to complete some specified courses that may be core requirements in the program list.


The University is compliant with the AQF Qualifications Pathways Policy.

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