

Health Sciences Campus 2011 Successes

Our students have scored well in the rigorous International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma with results from 2011 as follows:

- Our average Diploma score was 31.3 in 2011 (the worldwide Nov 2010 average was 30.7)
- Our top IB score was 43 which is in the top 2% worldwide
- All students are now in first or second year of tertiary studies
- 22% of students received an equivalent tertiary entrance rank of 99 (Tertiary entrance rank of 99 = OP1)
- Several of our foundation graduates (2009) have now completed a university degree (fast tracked due to credits) and one was the recipient of the Griffith University Award of the Medal for Achievement in Medical Science (top student in the cohort).

University Credit achieved for 2011 graduates

- 442 course credits for Griffith University
- 115 course credits for the University of Queensland

Queensland Academy for Health Sciences nurtures academic excellence through university partnerships, e-Learning innovations and community connections. Students are engaged in a broad range of opportunities. Just some of QAHS successes during 2011 include:

- **Five out of the 16 national finalists for the 2011 BHP Billiton Science Competition were QAHS Students.** Two of these students have been invited to attend the 2012 Annual Student Research Skills Fair in Doha, Qatar, representing Australia.
- **Two students selected as Queensland Representatives in the United Nations Youth Australia Conference.** One of these students was selected as the Australian representative to attend The Hague International Model United Nations.
- **93 QAHS students received awards in the 2011 national CSIRO CREST Award Competition, 10 Gold, 14 Silver and 69 Bronze. 15 Gold Awards were presented nationally in 2011 - 10 of those to QAHS.** In the last three years, QAHS has won more than a quarter of the Gold Awards presented since CSIRO CREST Awards begun in 1995. A phenomenal achievement and recognition of how our students are challenging what is possible and pushing the boundary of what excellence in education is.
- **76% of students achieved a credit or above and 18 students achieved in the top 2% in the Australian Mathematics Competition.**
- **QAHS was the winning school in the Gold Coast Science Competition Senior School division for the fourth year running.** Student results included: 7 x 1st Places, 3 x 2nd Places, 3 x 3rd Places, 2 x Highly Commended Awards.
- **14 students won prizes at the 2011 Science Teachers' Association Queensland Science Competition with five students also receiving a bursary.**
- **Students received one High Distinction and five Distinctions in the Australian Science Olympiad.**
- **University of NSW ICAS English - our students in all year levels achieved well above the state mean in every facet of the testing components.** Awards included 3 High Distinctions, 45 Distinctions and 126 Credits with one student awarded the top Year 10 result for Queensland.
- **Three students were recognised at the Alliance Francaise Competition, including a first prize.**
- **A number of students were selected for regional and state sporting teams.**
- **90% of Year 10 students gained a Certificate III in Laboratory Techniques or Certificate III in Active Volunteering.**
- **A group of QAHS students undertook the Health Studies Certificate at Griffith University concurrently with their Year 12 IB studies, achieving 4 High Distinctions, 6 Distinctions, 10 Credits across the courses.**
- **Four Teachers were recipients of Highly Commended Awards in the 2011 Queensland College of Teachers Excellence Awards.**