



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Selection Process

What do I have to do to be considered for selection?

To be eligible for resident membership of Durack College applicants must:

- have completed the online application form and provided relevant material.
- have been interviewed.

What are you looking for?

When considering applications, we look for future residents who will contribute to the life of the College, including participating in the Student Success Program. We are looking for students who want to be part of a values based diverse and dynamic community of Collegians who have a range of interests and are compassionate, vital, curious and aspirational.

How do you decide?

Taking into account the mix of students who have applied, our aim is to have a diverse and dynamic community of Collegians who have a range of interests. Durack College use the following criteria for determining the order of offers:

1. Academic and performance merit
2. Leadership and social responsibility
3. General suitability to college life, including being part of a values-based community

Further consideration is given to applicants including:

- Historical and family connections to St Margaret's and St Aidan's Anglican Girls Schools (priority to current and past St Margaret's & St Aidan's students)
- Home location (priority given to rural and regional Queenslanders)
- Members of Anglican clergy

When considering the above criteria, an offer of residency is based on the judgment of the College Director, taking into account your ability to contribute to and gain from College life. The College takes into account your written application, interview, referee reports, academic background, social responsibility contributions and suitability to College life.

Do you take into account previous achievements?

We will certainly be keen to hear about your interests and passions, and your involvement in school and community activities. Whilst we use the above criteria in considering applicants, we value diversity and individuality. We are also interested in students who are looking for opportunities they haven't had before.

Do I need to prepare for the interview?

There is no need to prepare for the interview and there are no 'right' answers. The interview is a way to get to know you a little. You are welcome to bring along questions to help you decide if Durack College is the right environment for you.



Who will interview me?

Interviews are conducted by the College Director at Durack College or by Skype or phone if you are unable to attend in person.

Who makes the final decision?

The College Director makes the final decision on who is selected for Durack College.

When will I know if I have been successful?

You will be contacted by us within a few days of the release of QTAC offers. It is **very** important that, at this time, you are able to access the email address you have given us and respond promptly. Durack College will send out some provisional offers leading up to the start of the academic year. A definite offer of residence will be confirmed after your university place has been confirmed.

Can I defer my offer of a residential place at Durack College?

You can defer a place to the start of the following year and it will be guaranteed. Your Admission Fee will be carried over to the following year and you will be required to confirm your place on the census date for re-admission (September).

If I don't get an offer can I ask why?

We understand that not receiving an offer can be very disappointing. Please understand that we do not give out specific information as to why you have not been selected.

How many places do you offer?

We have 25 places available at the College every year. However, the availability depends on the number of current students who decide whether they will be leaving Durack College or staying for another year. This will then determine how many places will become available.

How many people apply?

We do not give out details on the number of applicants. Some of our applicants will not be offered a place at a University of their choice in Brisbane, and others will defer or simply change their minds. However, we are expecting more applications than places and the process should be considered extremely competitive. It is important to prepare yourself for all outcomes and have other accommodation options in mind.