



ADMISSION

Living in our academic community will foster friendships, skills, perspectives and knowledge that you will draw on for life. Our aim is to provide a nurturing, respectful and scholarly environment characterised by collegians who are compassionate, vital, curious and aspirational. Durack College will be distinguished from others through its Student Success Program, which incorporates a personalised female mentoring and education program for emerging talent, a social responsibility program and opportunities for employment. Our focus is on helping you to get the most out of your college experiences so that you get the head start you need to make a difference in the world.

Durack College welcomes applications from female students who intend to study or are already enrolled in full-time undergraduate or postgraduate courses at universities across Brisbane. Applications for admission to College for 2020 are open now. It is recommended you complete the forms as soon as possible to be considered for the 2020 intake. Limited vacancies are available for 2019. Please phone the College to discuss availability.

BEFORE YOU APPLY

Durack College is a unique accommodation facility for young women pursuing tertiary studies. In addition to providing a full boarding experience, the College offers a safe and supportive environment with a focus on the welfare of its residents and the provision of complementary programs giving our young college women every opportunity to succeed. Durack College offers a boutique residential experience with only 25 residents living in the newly refurbished Raphael and Clewer wings. The small but vibrant community of learners is offered a unique living environment making the transition to new routines easier and more rewarding. However, all colleges are different and we want you to be certain that Durack College is right for you and recommend you schedule a tour.

Schedule a tour

Our Director is happy to show you around the College to give you some insight into life at Durack College. Tours can also be arranged by emailing reception@durackcollege.com.au or by phoning on (07) 3862 0850.

HOW TO APPLY

I. The APPLICATION PROCESS

The applications for admission to college in 2020 are open now and will close once all vacancies have been filled. Steps include:

Step 1: Complete the online College application available on the Durack College website www.durackcollege.com.au. The online process requires an Application Fee (\$100 or \$50 for St Margaret's & St Aidan's past and present students) and additional documentation to be submitted with your application:

- A recent colour passport sized photo (head and shoulders - passport style)
- A copy of your recent academic results from secondary school or tertiary study.

Step 2: Confidential Referee Reports (x2)

Please provide a referee reporting form to your two referees. Once completed, the referee should send the completed referee form directly to the College. Please ensure you allow adequate time for referees to complete their recommendations noting that your application file will not be reviewed until it is complete with all the required documentation.

Referee sources include:

One referee must be from an academic source. For example:

- School Principal
- Dean of Academics/Students, Head of Boarding, Senior Teacher, Careers Advisor
- University lecturer, tutor or thesis supervisor

The second referee may include:

- Second academic referee
- Past St Margaret's student
- Employer of more than twelve months' standing
- Family friend of more than ten years' standing

International Students: please send the College a copy of your unconditional offer from the university and acceptance form once these have been received.

2. APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED

When considering applications, we look for future residents who will contribute to the life of the College, including participating in the Student Success Program. Our aim is to have a diverse and dynamic community of Collegians who have a range of interests and are compassionate, vital, curious and aspirational. 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
- Home location (priority given to rural and regional Queenslanders)
- Members of Anglican clergy

An offer of residency is based on the judgment of the College Director about your ability to contribute to, and gain from college life. The College takes into account your written application, interview, referee reports, social responsibility contributions, academic background and suitability to college life.

If you are an interstate or overseas student, you should advise Durack College immediately of your results (e.g. ATAR) as these are likely to affect the selection process. Some provisional offers may be made before the QTAC offer round, followed by a definite offer when your university place is confirmed.

3. INTERVIEWS ARE SCHEDULED

The interview is an important part of the application process. An interview will be arranged at a mutually agreeable time. Phone or skype interviews may be arranged for regional, interstate and overseas applicants. Please note that being granted an interview does not imply that a place will be offered. Please also note that you should advise the College immediately of any changes to your information provided in your application (e.g. change of address, email address, phone number).

4. OFFERS ARE EXTENDED

Durack College will send out provisional offers leading up to the start of the 2020 academic year. A definite offer of residence will be confirmed after your university place has been confirmed. Earlier applicants receiving this provisional offer have the peace of mind knowing that they have a place to live if they are accepted into university in Brisbane. A provisional offer is secured by paying the \$1000 provisional fee, which will be deducted from the college fees upon acceptance of a university place (this fee will also be refunded if a place at a university in Brisbane is not offered).

Membership to Durack College is by **invitation only**, and it is expected that as a resident you will contribute generously to the life of the College and uphold the **values and reputation** of the College.

5. CONFIRMED OFFER

If you are offered a place at Durack College, you will be asked to sign a contractual agreement to reside in college for the **full academic year** (i.e. both first and second semester). This is a legally-binding agreement for the full academic year and residents will not receive a refund of fees if they leave college early.

Enquiries:

For enquiries and to book a tour of the College, contact:

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