Co-curricular Student Engagement and Development

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• Defining the terms
• QUT case studies
  – Social Orientation
  – QUT Connect
• Learnings and where to
Student Engagement

What students want to do

Meaningful activities

What institutions do

Kinzie, 2012
Student Development

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Student → Citizen

Student Development

Collaboration

Curiosity

Life Long Learning

Resilience

Becoming Interculturally Competent

Student Development

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Social Orientation

- Student Centred
- Inclusive and community building
- Intentional programming with multiple access points
Social Orientation

“I honestly didn’t expect orientation week to be as big as it was. It has a great atmosphere with friendly people willing to help and made me really excited to be a part of a university like QUT with so many groups and opportunities. Definitely exceeded my expectations.”
- Commencing student, semester 1, 2014

Case Study: QUT Connect

QUT Connect is university run volunteering program which provides current students the opportunity to help new students settle into university life and actively contribute to building a vibrant campus community.
Case Study: QUT Connect

Orientation

Connect Session

Social Events

Academic

Physical

Administrative

Social

Group Interviews

Integration into Leadership Program

Social Events

- Student led
- Learning Experience
- Value in fun

- Practice referrals
- Skills extension
- Recognition
- Personalise involvement

- Student led
- Filling gaps
- Reflection
- Application
Learnings

Professional Development

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Where To

Greater community engagement

University

Student

Community

Citizen
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Questions?

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