UQ Carbon Literacy Program

General Public Pathway

A first in Australia, the UQ Carbon Literacy Program is a short accredited course that will teach you the impact of everyday activities on climate and the steps that can be taken to reduce emissions as an individual, a community group or an organisation. The program teaches facts to facilitate action.

Learning Objectives
In this program you will learn about:

• The science of climate change
• Climate-related issues of social equity
• What you or your organisation can do
• How to communicate the need for action.

A Pedagogy Pioneered in Europe
The University of Queensland partners with the Carbon Literacy Project, a not-for-profit organisation founded in 2013 and based in the UK.

• Their pedagogy has been tested and pioneered in European universities.
• More than 21,000 learners have been trained globally.

Learning Journey

An 8-hour program
Delivered by UQ academics or certified Carbon Literacy Trainers

Interactive experience
A blend of 6 hours of sessions, either online or in-person, and 2 hours of online self-study

Pledge
A commitment to reduce your carbon emissions at individual and collective levels

Impact
On average, participants reduce their carbon emissions by 5-15% after their completion of the program
Knowledge leadership for a better world

Education is an essential element of the global response to climate change, one of the biggest challenges of our time. By enrolling in this program, you are equipping yourself with the necessary knowledge and skills to respond to this challenge.

Full commitment
Before enrolling, please note the program needs to be fully completed to be eligible for certification. The program comprises of four sessions (six hours) and self-study modules (two hours).

Certification
The program is goal oriented. You will develop and commit to both an individual and a collective carbon reduction action as part of an assessment. Upon review by the Carbon Literacy Project and successful completion, you will receive a certificate.

Affordable access
The University of Queensland is committed to train as many of the community as possible for a AUD$80 contribution. It covers the cost of your certificate and a portion of the program facilitation. The remainder is covered by the University as part of its commitment to creating positive global impact.

Fostering a low carbon culture within the broader community
While enhancing and increasing the University’s social and environmental impact on an ever-increasing scale, this program provides a pathway to embed a low carbon culture across the University’s community. It empowers everyone to create change and contribute to the design of prosperous societies.

Create change by becoming a UQ Carbon Literacy Facilitator
Once you are Carbon Literacy Certified, you can become a Facilitator yourself and disseminate your knowledge to others.

“The program helped me understand why carbon reduction is critical to our collective futures and how we can all do something right now about it.”

Jaclyn Webber
Founder, Back on Track

Further information
If you would like to enrol, please visit business.uq.edu.au/study/carbonliteracy or email carbonliteracy@uq.edu.au.