

Summary of notes from QLD State government 27th August 2024

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1. State Nominated Skilled Visas

- **Subclass 190 and 491 Visas**
 - **Eligibility Criteria:**
 - Skills assessment in occupation on LIN 19/051
 - Minimum 65 points
 - Under the age of 45
 - Nominated by state or territory government
 - Proficient English
- **Overview of Queensland Nomination:**
 - Independent visa type – no employer obligations
 - Pathways for Queensland graduates, skilled workers, and regional business owners
 - Priority for offshore energy workers
 - Points not considered; state priority (onshore only), work experience, Superior English, and partner skills are considered in the registration of interest.

2. Skills Priorities for 2024-25

- **General Occupations and Industries:**
 - Engineering Technologists, Draftspersons, and Technicians
 - Surveyors, Architectural, Building, and Construction Technicians
- **Health:**
 - Midwives, Registered Nurses, ICT Security Specialists, etc.
- **Agriculture:**
 - Agricultural Technicians, Aquaculture Farmers, Crop Farmers
- **Education:**
 - Early Childhood Educators
- **Hospitality:**

- Hotel and Motel Managers, Restaurant Managers, Chef, Cook, etc.
- **Other Occupations:**
 - Metal Fitters and Machinists, Dairy Cattle Farmers, etc.

3. Onshore Skilled Workers - Subclass 190 Visa

- **Available to Onshore Applicants:**
 - Occupation on LIN 19/051
 - Minimum 65 points
 - Proficient English
 - Queensland work experience of 3 months
 - Ongoing employment with a Queensland employer for 6 months
 - In Energy, Construction, Health, Education, ICT, Agribusiness, Tourism, Transport
 - Positive skills assessment
 - Full-time employment (35 hours per week)

4. Onshore Skilled Workers - Subclass 491 Visa

- **Available to Onshore Applicants:**
 - Occupation on LIN 19/051
 - Minimum 65 points
 - Proficient English
 - Queensland work experience of 3 months
 - Ongoing employment with a Queensland employer
 - Positive skills assessment
 - Full-time employment (35 hours per week)

5. Queensland Graduates - Subclass 190 and 491 Visas

- **For Recent Graduates:**
 - Must have graduated from a Queensland university 100% of course
 - Bachelor degree in Agriculture and Environment, Engineering and related technologies, Education, Health, Information Technology, Natural and Physical Sciences
 - Work is required in a Skill level 1 occupation
 - Ongoing employment (35 hours per week)

6. Skilled Workers Outside Australia - Subclass 190 and 491 Visas

- **For Offshore Applicants:**
 - Minimum 65 points for subclass 190 and 65 points for subclass 491
 - Proficient English
 - Minimum of 5 years post-qualification experience
 - Energy, Construction, Health and Education

7. Priority Processing for Offshore Energy Workers - Subclass 190 Visa

- **Focused on Offshore Energy Workers:**

- Occupations like Electrical Engineer, Petroleum Engineer, Geologist
- Proficient English and 3 years of post-qualification experience in the energy sector
- Employment opportunities in Queensland

8. Visa Subclass 491 - Small Business Owner Stream (SBO)

- **For Small Business Owners: Pathway 1**
 - Business purchase for at least \$100,000
 - Operated the business for 6 months before applying
 - 51% ownership of the business
 - Two full-time employees
 - Outside SEQ region
- **Pathway 2**
 - Start up business
 - Turnover of at least \$200,000 in the last 12 months
 - Operated business for at least 12 months

9. Applying for Queensland State Nomination

- **Steps:**
 1. Ensure eligibility (skills assessment, points, English, work experience)
 2. Submit Expression of Interest (EOI) on SkillSelect
 3. Receive invitation to apply from Queensland
 4. Gather required documents
 5. Lodge visa application with the Department of Home Affairs

10. Global Talent Program

Global Talent (Subclass 858) Visa

- **Purpose:**
 - Designed to attract highly skilled individuals in specific target sectors to live and work permanently in Australia.
 - Aims to boost Australia's innovation and tech sectors.
- **Target Sectors:**
 - AgTech
 - Space and Advanced Manufacturing
 - FinTech
 - Energy and Mining Technology
 - MedTech
 - Cyber Security
 - Quantum Information, Advanced Digital, Data Science, and ICT
- **Eligibility:**

- Must be highly skilled in one of the target sectors.
 - Must demonstrate an exceptional track record of professional achievement.
 - Must be able to attract a salary at or above the Fair Work High-Income Threshold (currently AUD \$158,500).
 - Must have a nominator (Australian citizen, permanent resident, or eligible organization) with a national reputation in the same field.
- **Application Process:**
 - Submit an Expression of Interest (EOI).
 - Provide a CV and evidence of achievements in the target sector.
 - Be invited to apply for the visa after the EOI assessment.
 - Lodge the visa application and provide required documents.
 - **Benefits:**
 - Permanent residency in Australia.
 - Access to Medicare, Australia's healthcare system.
 - Ability to work and study in Australia.
 - Pathway to Australian citizenship.



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