



# Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program

The Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (QIYLP) is a leadership and professional development program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders aged 18–25, delivered with the support of corporate sponsor Glencore Coal Assets Australia.

QIYLP offers exciting opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from across the state, including:

- » a 2-day mentor program
- » work experience with the Queensland Government Office for Youth
- » a professional development scheme to support participants in their ongoing education and employment
- » community project funding to support local initiatives and help drive change in their communities.

## What should participants expect?

QIYLP is a leadership and skills development program, including:

- » intensive leadership workshops—facilitated by Indigenous community leaders and content experts
- » mentoring and networking activities—participants can network with high-profile politicians, respected Elders and community leaders from Queensland’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and representatives of the Queensland Government
- » guidance on how to scope and prepare proposals for community project grants to drive real local change
- » participation in the one-day Eric Deeral Indigenous Youth Parliament.

## Why should young people participate?

Through the provision of an interactive learning environment, the program aims to:

- » develop Indigenous young people's community leadership skills and potential
- » connect and facilitate Indigenous young people's continued engagement with similar leadership and development opportunities
- » engage Indigenous young people in community project scoping and delivery
- » improve Indigenous young people's participation levels in governance and democratic engagement processes in their communities
- » build an ever-increasing network of Indigenous young leaders for consultation with government and stakeholders.

## When is QIYLP held?

Applications open in March/April and are advertised on the Queensland Government website. The annual six-day residential program is usually held in Brisbane during the June/July school holidays.

## Who can apply?

We encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, aged 18 to 25 years, from remote, regional and urban communities across Queensland who have not previously attended the program.

### More information

To learn more about QIYLP, or if you have questions about the program:

- » visit our website  
[www.qld.gov.au/qiylp](http://www.qld.gov.au/qiylp)
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