What is the Queensland Minerals and Energy Academy?

The QMEA is a partnership between:

- The Queensland Resources Council (QRC)
- Training and academic providers
- The Queensland Government.

It is designed to encourage students to enter careers in the minerals and energy sector. The QMEA provides students with clear pathways into one of the State's most innovative and economically important sectors. The academy has been developed in response to skills shortages in the minerals and energy sector, which is currently experiencing significant growth, particularly in the face of increasing demand for resources from countries such as China.

The academy is led by an executive committee comprising Directors-General from State Government departments and chief executives from the resources sector. The academy is managed by an Education Queensland head of department located in the QRC Offices.

The project involves four hubs, (Northern, Central, Southern & Surat) each with “gateway” high schools to develop and promote curricula structures and enable students to access a broad range of minerals and energy-related learning and career opportunities.

The partnership with minerals and energy companies provides students with work experience, on-site activities and opportunities to take up traineeships/apprenticeships. In addition to the significant resources committed to the academy by Education Queensland and the QRC, individual QRC member companies are providing substantial sponsorship support.

For more information on the QMEA contact the school or visit the website: [www.qmea.org.au](http://www.qmea.org.au)