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Premier and Minister for the Arts - The Honourable Anna Bligh  
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**Leading Queensland education provider recognised for taking classrooms to the world**

For the second year running, Griffith University tonight was announced the winner of the Education and Training category at the 21<sup>st</sup> Premier of Queensland's Export Awards.

Congratulating the leading University, Premier Anna Bligh said Queensland's education and training institutes continued to raise the bar on the education world stage.

"Griffith University has grown to become a top international university in Queensland, now accommodating students from over 119 countries, including China, India, Korea, Hong Kong, Canada, the Middle East, Vietnam, Taiwan, Norway, the United States, Japan, Zimbabwe and Germany," Ms Bligh said.

"International students not only bring important economic benefits, but have become an important part of Queensland's cultural fabric, bringing diversity and important international relationships to our State.

Ann Hammond, Griffith University's Director of International Marketing and Business Development, said that being international is more than a marketing decision, it is a state of mind, an organisational and institutional culture.

"Griffith is part of a greater local, national and global community, and looks to education and learning as its particular, and significant, service and contribution," Ms Hammond said.

"The Premier of Queensland's Export Awards assists us in both documenting and highlighting our relative contribution towards learning and education in our greater global community."

Griffith University, along with other winners in the 2010 Premier of Queensland's Export Awards in 2010, will now progress as a finalist in the Australian Export Awards in Sydney on 1 December.

**Further details on Premier of Queensland's Export Awards winners and finalists available from Paul Leven at Trade and Investment Queensland**  
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