

# Deakin University Study Abroad and Exchange Guide



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## Exchange or Study Abroad

### What's the difference?

Throughout this Guide, you will see the term 'Study Abroad' used for both our Study Abroad and Exchange Programs. But there are key differences between the two:

#### Exchange

If you are enrolled at one of Deakin's designated exchange partners, you are eligible to come to Deakin as an Exchange student. You can study for one trimester or a full academic year, and receive credit towards your home degree.

Exchange Programs are run on a reciprocal basis so you will continue to pay your tuition and student activity fees at your home university, rather than paying tuition fees to Deakin. However, to qualify as an Exchange student, you will need to be nominated by your home university.

#### Study Abroad

Study Abroad Programs are available if your institution does not have an exchange agreement with Deakin or an exchange place is not available. Study Abroad students can study for a trimester or a full academic year at Deakin, and are normally required to pay upfront tuition fees to Deakin.

## Why choose Deakin?

Deakin is a highly ranked, multi-award winning university with an international focus. We are innovative, offer outstanding facilities and learning opportunities. We also offer a culture that values diversity, promotes inclusion and has a strong sense of community.

### Location

Deakin has four campuses that offer access to the natural wonders, coastal hotspots and to the cultural heart of the Australian state of Victoria:

- Melbourne Burwood
- Geelong Waurin Ponds
- Geelong Waterfront, and
- Warrnambool

Each location provides a unique study experience.

### Faculties

Deakin's four academic faculties are:

- Faculty of Arts and Education
- Faculty of Business and Law
- Faculty of Health
- Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment

### Programs

A comprehensive range of programs are available to Study Abroad students. See more information on page 8.

### Innovation

Deakin combines a university's traditional focus on excellent teaching and research with a desire to seek new ways of developing and delivering programs.

### Research

Deakin is established as a leader in multiple fields of research, such as advanced materials, biotechnology, intelligent systems, natural resource management, and physical activity and nutrition. Deakin maintains significant partnerships with some of the world's leading research institutions.

### Global Citizenship Program

As a student at Deakin, you will be eligible to join the Global Citizenship Program and participate in a variety of activities with an international focus. Find out more on page 11.

### Rankings and awards

Deakin ranks among the world's best universities:

- Deakin is ranked in the Top 2% of universities worldwide, according to QS, *Times Higher Education*, and ShanghaiRankings
- Deakin is among the top 50 young universities in the world, according to QS and *Times Higher Education*

According to 2018 QS World Rankings by subject, Deakin is:

- #1 for Exercise and sports science
- #24 for Nursing
- #30 for Education
- Law ranked in top 100 worldwide

### Trimesters

Deakin uses a three-trimester system that is equivalent in course load and duration to a semester system.

Students can start their studies in February (Trimester 1), July (T2) or November (T3). Two trimesters are still equal to a full academic year. Visit [deakin.edu.au/courses/key-dates](https://deakin.edu.au/courses/key-dates).



# Destination: Australia!

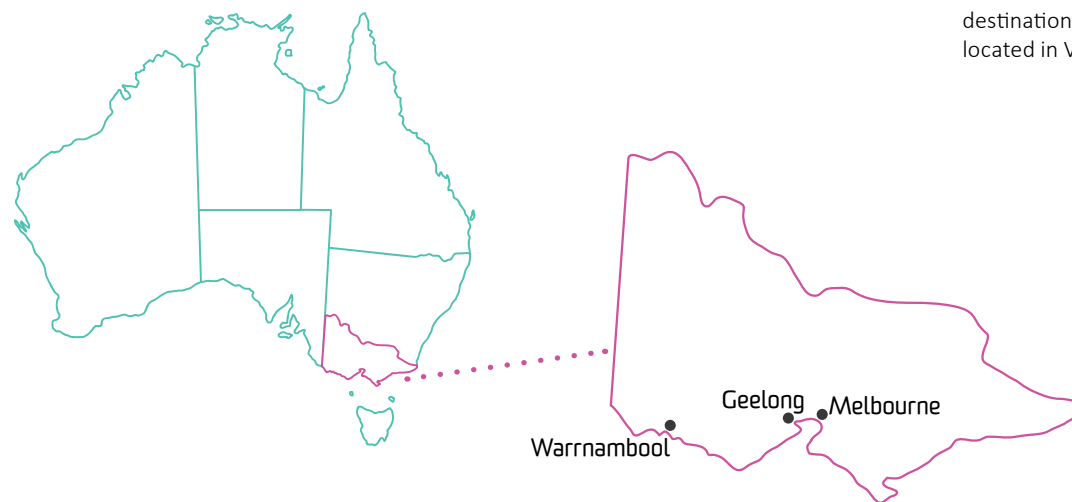
Australia is a sophisticated, multicultural society with a great love of sport, food, music and life in general.

## Australia

Australia offers a variety of unique travel experiences: from the untamed wildness of the outback, to the beauty of the Great Barrier Reef and its islands.

## Victoria

Located on the south-east coast of Australia, Victoria has welcomed people from over 200 countries across the world. Some of the world's best beaches make Victoria the ultimate study and travel destination. All of Deakin's campuses are located in Victoria.



## Living in Melbourne

There's a lot to love about Melbourne, the world's most liveable city\*!

The cultural heart of Australia, Melbourne is home to more than four million people and inspires a deep passion in those who live here.

Melburnians love the city's vibrant energy, restaurants, fashion boutiques, café-filled laneways, bars, galleries, spacious parks and village-like inner suburbs, each with its own special character. There is always something happening in Melbourne – it never sits still!

Visit [www.melbourne.vic.gov.au](http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au) to find out more.

\*The Economist Intelligence Unit's Liveability Index, 2011-2017

## Living in Geelong

Geelong is a vibrant city located on Corio Bay, just one hour from Melbourne by train.

Geelong features a stunning waterfront precinct, beaches, great shopping and a selection of restaurants and bars, with lots of parks and gardens.

It is the gateway to the Surf Coast, which offers Australia's best surf beaches, bustling resort towns, picturesque scenery, bush and beach walks, lush rainforests and spectacular waterfalls.

Enjoy cultural festivals and a receptive community that gladly welcomes Deakin students. You might even become a new fan of the Australian football league by attending a game of the Geelong Cats football club.

## Living in Warrnambool

Warrnambool (pronounced War-nam-bull) is the fastest growing regional hotspot in Victoria.

Located at the end of the Great Ocean Road on the majestic Shipwreck Coast, Warrnambool is the largest city in the Great Ocean Road region.

Renowned for its whale watching, surfing, scuba diving, horse riding and outdoor activities, Warrnambool is the quintessential Australian beach-side town. And for those who want to visit Melbourne for a jolt of city excitement, trains run daily from the Deakin train station.



## On-campus accommodation

Deakin offers a range of on-campus accommodation options across its campuses. Find out more on pages 13–14.





# Deakin campuses

Each of Deakin's campuses has a distinctive character and a strong presence in the local community. All campuses provide quality services and world-class facilities.

## Melbourne Burwood Campus

Located a short trip from the centre of Melbourne, Deakin's Melbourne Burwood Campus is noted for its modern architecture and facilities.

These include the motion capture animation studio, a purpose-built gymnasium and sports hall, student accommodation, cafés, excellent learning facilities, the IELTS Test Centre, healthcare services, campus bookshop and store. Tram and bus stops at the campus meet your transport needs.

## Warrnambool Campus

The Warrnambool Campus is set on the banks of the Hopkins River, close to local surf beaches. Located near a thriving regional city, the close-knit campus is home to a friendly community of students and academics.

Facilities include a library, excellent teaching and learning spaces, healthcare services, cafés, gym, bookshop, social areas, accommodation, basketball, netball and tennis courts, and a golf course. Its proximity to a range of aquatic environments provides an ideal location for specialist studies in aquaculture and marine biology – making it a 'classroom without walls'.

## Geelong Waurin Ponds Campus

The Geelong Waurin Ponds Campus is a convergence of coastal and city lifestyles. It is on the western edge of the city and features landscaped grounds and extensive sporting facilities. It is Deakin's second largest campus, and is home to the Deakin Medical School and state-of-the-art engineering facilities.

Services and facilities on campus include lecture theatres, design studios, bookshop, library, 24-hour computer laboratories, healthcare services, student accommodation, cafés and restaurants, gym, sports hall and various shops.

## Geelong Waterfront Campus

The Geelong Waterfront Campus is Deakin's newest campus. It is located right on Corio Bay in downtown Geelong. Built in 1893, the original buildings have been extensively renovated to create a modern and impressive campus centre.

The Waterfront Campus features lecture theatres, architecture labs, cafeteria, library and bookshop.

## Your satisfaction matters to us

Your experience at Deakin is of great importance to us. From the quality of teaching you receive to support on campus, our welcoming staff will ensure your success as a Deakin student.



# Deakin English

To participate in a Deakin Study Abroad and Exchange Program, you are required to obtain an IELTS score of 6.0 (or equivalent). If you do not meet this score you can enrol in a direct entry English language program at Deakin University English Language Institute (DUELI).

## Deakin University English Language Institute (DUELI)

DUELI has been offering full-time intensive English language programs since 1998.

DUELI has a strong reputation for preparing students for entry to Study Abroad and Exchange Programs at Deakin through our English for Academic Purposes (EAP) pathway. See the chart below for more about the EAP pathway.

For more information about English language requirements to study at Deakin University, visit [deakin.edu.au/english-req](http://deakin.edu.au/english-req).

## English for Academic Purposes (EAP) 1-3

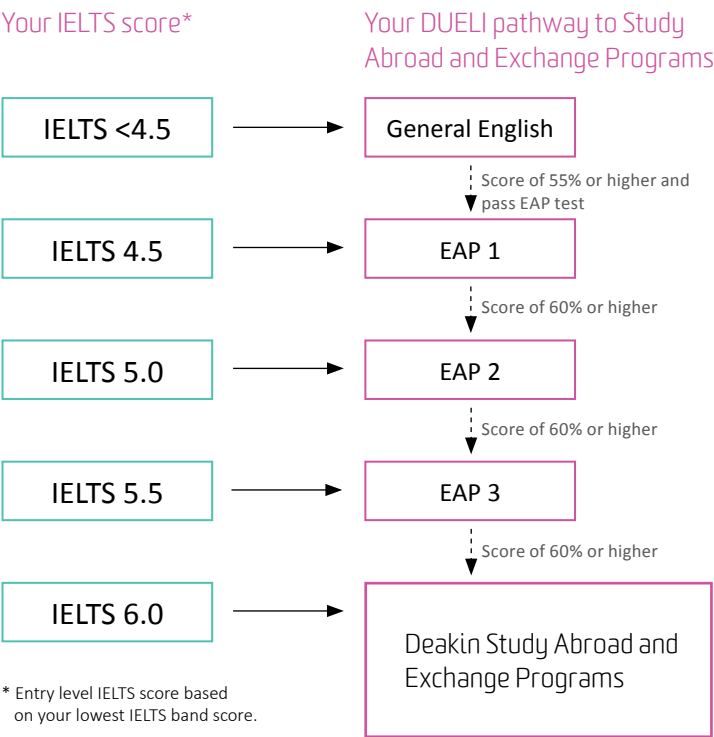
DUELI offers multiple EAP levels to help you prepare for your Deakin studies.

DUELI will place you at the EAP level appropriate to your English skills. By advancing through the EAP levels and successfully completing EAP Level 3, you will meet the English language requirements for most Study Abroad Programs at Deakin University.

## General English

If you want to improve your English language skills for your personal development, our General English (GE) programs are perfect for you. GE students learn English for everyday situations, learn to speak accurately and clearly, improve their pronunciation and fluency, extend their vocabulary and continue to develop cross-cultural communication skills.

Upon successful completion of GE 5 you are eligible to undertake the EAP pathway.



# Study areas

## Architecture and built environment

Architecture  
Construction management  
Landscape architecture

## Arts, humanities and social sciences

Advertising  
Anthropology  
Arabic  
Australian studies  
Buddhist studies  
Children's literature  
Chinese  
Creative writing  
Criminology  
Design  
Digital media  
Drama  
Education  
Film, television and animation  
Gender and sexuality studies  
Geography and society  
History  
Indonesian  
International politics  
International relations  
Journalism  
Language and culture studies  
Literary studies  
Media studies  
Middle East studies  
Philosophy  
Photography  
Politics and policy studies  
Public relations  
Sociology  
Spanish  
Sports and society  
Studies of religions  
Sustainability and society  
Visual arts

## Business

Accounting  
Commercial law (non-LLB equivalent)  
Business analytics  
Economics  
Event management  
Finance

Financial planning  
Human resource management  
Information systems  
International trade  
Management  
Marketing  
Organisational psychology  
People management  
Property and real estate  
Public relations  
Retail management  
Sport development  
Sport management

## Education

Early childhood education  
Primary teaching

## Engineering

Civil engineering  
Electrical and electronics engineering  
Environmental engineering  
Mechanical engineering  
Mechatronics engineering  
Software engineering

## Environment

Environmental science  
Marine and freshwater biology  
Sustainability and environmental management  
Wildlife and conservation biology

## Health

Disability and inclusion  
Environmental health  
Family, society and health  
Food and nutrition  
Health and sustainability  
Health promotion  
Health sciences  
Occupational therapy  
Physical activity and health  
Public health  
Social work

## Information technology

Cloud computing and networking  
Computer science  
Creative technologies  
Cyber security

Data analytics  
Games and application development  
Information technology  
IT services and strategy  
Software engineering  
Virtual reality

## Law

Commercial law (non-LLB equivalent)  
Law (LLB equivalent)

## Nursing and midwifery

Nursing  
Midwifery

## Psychology

Psychological studies  
Industrial and organisational psychology  
Clinical psychology  
Forensic psychology  
Health psychology

## Science

Biological science  
Biomedical science  
Chemistry and pharmaceutical science  
Fisheries and aquaculture  
Forensic science  
Genomics  
Geography  
Human and plant biology  
Mathematical modelling  
Zoology and animal science

## Sport

Exercise and sport science  
Sport development  
Sport management

Please note:

Not all courses are offered at all campuses. Please see [deakin.edu.au/handbook](http://deakin.edu.au/handbook) for information about campuses and course offerings.

Study Abroad and Exchange students are not permitted to study the following:

- Optometry
- Medicine
- Education units with placements
- Most units with a work-integrated-learning component
- Some postgraduate-level law units without undergraduate studies in law.



# Summer and Winter Schools

Discover Australia’s history, politics, culture, landscape, settlement, and its representation in film and other media. Participate in exciting cultural field trips with academics to enhance your classroom learning.

## Short programs

Three short programs titled 'Australia Today' are on offer. One is available in January, during the Australian summer season. The other two are available in winter: one commencing in July and the next in August. Each program provides insights into Australian society. The topics covered are:

- global conflicts that have shaped Australia
- indigenous cultures and their representation
- cultural identity and gender wars
- political history and international relations.

## Cost

The cost includes tuition, accommodation, welcome dinner, field trips, learn-to-surf lessons during summer, and a social program.

## Easy credit transfer

You will receive a transcript for easy credit transfer, worth approximately 3-4 US credits/ 7.5 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System), for whichever program you choose.

### Australia Today – January session

We invite students to join us for an Australian Summer in the world’s most liveable city\*, Melbourne!

You will study at Deakin’s Melbourne Burwood Campus, which is an easy tram ride from downtown Melbourne. You will stay in newly constructed on-campus residences that provide a collegiate and well-supported environment.

\*The Economist Intelligence Unit’s Liveability Index, 2011–2017

### Australia Today – July and August sessions

These programs are located at Warrnambool, one of our friendliest and most stunning campus locations!

You will study at Deakin’s Warrnambool Campus, which is located on the magnificent Surf Coast, three hours south-west of Melbourne. You will stay on campus and enjoy a welcoming, supportive environment both on campus and in the local community, surrounded by the Australian bush and wildlife.

# Marine Biology Field Experiences

## Natural marine environments at your doorstep

If you are interested in pursuing marine biology at Deakin, there are some fantastic opportunities for hands-on experiences both in the field and in the laboratory. For example, you can undertake fieldwork in natural marine environments on the Victorian coast, including along the scenic Great Ocean Road.

## SLE262 – Aquaculture and the Environment

## SLE263 – Marine and Coastal Ecosystems

## SLE265 – Marine Botany

## SLE219 – Marine Invertebrates

## SLE104 – The Blue Planet: Water and Life

These marine biology units, offered at either the Geelong Warrnambool Campus or Warrnambool Campus, provide you with a unique opportunity to study temperate marine biology in an environment that has some of the highest biodiversity in Australia. Through extensive hands-on laboratory and fieldwork experiences you’ll discover the great diversity that exists in coastal and oceanic ecosystems, and learn how to sustainably manage precious marine environments.

## SLE162 – Marine and Coastal Environmental Communications

This unit is offered in Trimester 3 at the Geelong Warrnambool Campus. Through hands-on workshops and field-based activities, you can explore ways to communicate your experience and passions for the marine and coastal environment to different audiences, through a variety of media and communication approaches.

## SLE350 – Marine Wildlife

This unit is offered in Trimester 3 at the Melbourne Burwood Campus. The field work includes excursions such as visiting fur seal and sea bird colonies to investigate field-based techniques for studying marine wildlife and conservation.

Our units are diverse in nature, and may be selected from a range of options offered across our three trimesters. Many units include both laboratory and fieldwork experiences.



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# Global Citizenship Program

## Workplace skills high on demand

Deakin understands the skills required by today's employers. Increasingly, employers tell us they want students who are independent, adaptable, globally and culturally aware, and resilient. It is these 'soft skills' that set potential employees apart in résumés and interviews.

The Global Citizenship Program is aimed at supplementing your studies with a combination of international activities, such as internships, volunteering, foreign language studies and more. Your participation in the Program will enable you to demonstrate to your future employers the soft skills that you have developed.

## Participation in the Global Citizenship Program

The Global Citizenship Program supports students' personal, academic and professional development through activities that increase independence and self-confidence, offer leadership opportunities and improve interpersonal and intercultural communication skills.

Each activity is given a point value based on its associated skills and the extent to which each skill is developed. Your aim is to accumulate a minimum of 100 points and a number of skills to complete the program.

For example, you will receive 60 points for an Exchange Program, leaving only another 40 points to fully achieve the Global Citizenship Award. In addition, you

may prepare reflective pieces on many of the activities you participate in, and explore how they have contributed to your development as a global citizen.

The program is designed to instill values of global citizenship and prepare you for success in the increasingly global society in which we live. While the Program is primarily non-credit bearing, it will enhance your résumé by outlining the skills and attributes you have attained.

## How do you become a Global Citizen?

You are eligible to participate in the program as soon as you have been accepted to study at Deakin University.

Learn more at [deakin.edu.au/gcp](http://deakin.edu.au/gcp).

# Beach Welcome Program

Deakin understands it is often daunting to live and study in another country. In order to make the transition to Australia, and Deakin, an easy one, students are invited to participate in a beach orientation program.

## A flavour of Australian hospitality

The Program is held in the coastal town of Lorne – a picturesque tourist destination on the Great Ocean Road.

The Beach Welcome Program involves the Study Abroad and Exchange students travelling down with a bunch of Australian students who have studied abroad themselves, allowing you to get a flavour of Australian hospitality and the chance to make friends. It's a great way to connect with your new Deakin community.

You can also try to spot a koala among the eucalyptus trees and see some spectacular coastline.

## Beach Welcome activities

Surrounded by the rising cliffs and bush of the Otway Ranges, Lorne has a cosmopolitan feel, with sidewalk cafés, walking tracks, beautiful waterfalls, and great surf. There will be opportunities for you to participate in a range of activities, including surfing lessons, hiking through the temperate rainforest, yoga and beach games. You will also be able to rub shoulders with the locals at the pub, or simply relax on the beach and hang out with your new friends. This is a great opportunity for you to soak up the ambience of this wonderful country!

The Program also features useful sessions on making the most of your stay in Australia, including sessions on how to ensure your enrolment is complete, how best to meet Aussies and settle into university life, and tips on travelling in Australia. Find out more on [deakin.edu.au/beach-welcome](http://deakin.edu.au/beach-welcome).

So jump on the bus and remember to pack your sunscreen and camera – we'll take care of the rest!





# Your home away from home

Deakin offers a wide range of accommodation options to suit your needs. Whether it be on-campus living or guidance to finding your own share house, Deakin is here to make you feel at home.

## On-campus accommodation

Accommodation is available in student residences on all our campuses.

Each resident is housed in single room accommodation with internet access. Bedrooms are furnished, heated and carpeted. There are shared bathrooms, kitchens, laundry and recreational areas. The residences have a common room with meeting rooms, kitchen, television area and a large open space for social events. The cost of on-campus accommodation varies on each campus depending on the type of accommodation and services provided.

For more information, visit [deakin.edu.au/live](https://deakin.edu.au/live).

## Off-campus accommodation

Looking for off-campus accommodation for your studies at Deakin? The best place to start is the Deakin Houseme website\*, [deakin.edu.au/houseme](https://deakin.edu.au/houseme). Search for all types of accommodation, from share houses to vacant properties to boarding with a welcoming family.

Using Deakin's Houseme website, you can browse properties and contact the landlords of any places you are interested in and arrange to check out the house before making any commitments.

We also have useful resources to assist you in finding your new home as well as information about your rights and responsibilities as a tenant.

I loved living in Australia because of the many friendly people I met and a lot of nice places I visited while studying abroad at Deakin.

Living on campus was one of the best decisions I made. The apartments are modern and the staff are helpful. Another recommendation is the free Mentor Program where you get a mentor who helps you with all your questions and issues. The end-of-program party with all the other mentees and mentors was amazing!

**Karolin Paepke**  
HTW Berlin - University of Applied Sciences



## How to apply for on-campus accommodation

The Deakin Study Abroad and Exchange online application includes a questionnaire for students to register their housing preferences.

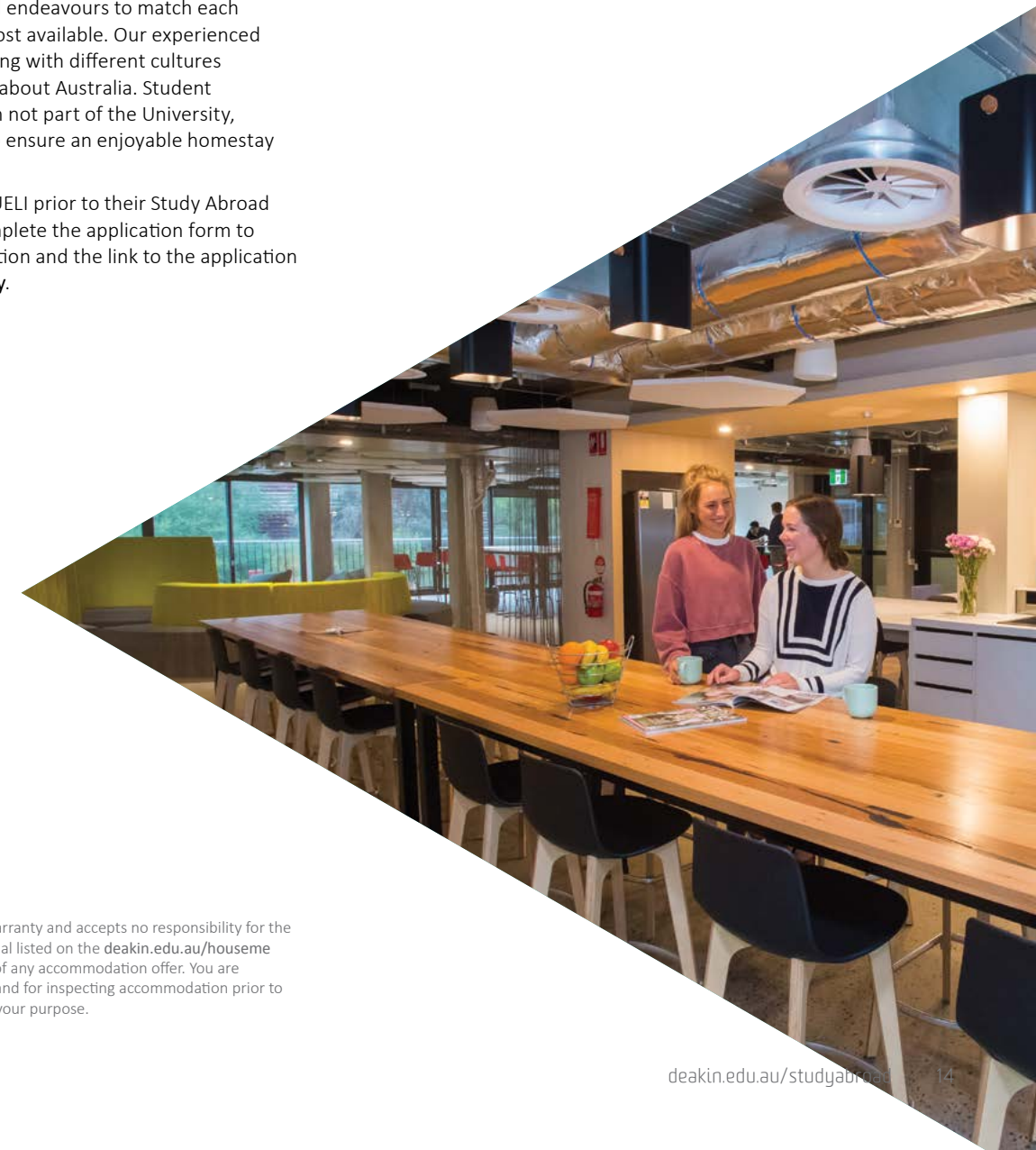
On-campus housing is in high demand, limited places are available, and the allocation is based on first-come, first-served basis.

We highly recommend submitting your housing preferences early via the Study Abroad and Exchange online application system. You will be contacted directly during the application process to discuss how to proceed.

## Homestay

Homestay is an option available for students coming to study at DUEL. Deakin University's Homestay provider, Student Accommodation Services, prides itself on using homestay families that meet our high standards and endeavours to match each student with our most suitable host available. Our experienced homestay families enjoy interacting with different cultures and helping students learn more about Australia. Student Accommodation Services, though not part of the University, works closely with Deakin staff to ensure an enjoyable homestay experience.

For students who will study at DUEL prior to their Study Abroad and Exchange course, please complete the application form to apply. You will find more information and the link to the application form on [deakin.edu.au/homestay](https://deakin.edu.au/homestay).



\*Please note: Deakin University gives no warranty and accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or the completeness of the material listed on the [deakin.edu.au/houseme](https://deakin.edu.au/houseme) website or for the bona fides or suitability of any accommodation offer. You are responsible for making your own inquiries and for inspecting accommodation prior to making any decision as to its suitability for your purpose.



# Application process

## Before you apply

### Academic and English language requirements

Students who have completed two trimesters of full-time study outside of Australia with a GPA of 2.6 out of 4 (or equivalent) will be considered for entry. For up-to-date academic entry requirements, see [deakin.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/academic-information](https://deakin.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/academic-information).

If English is not your first language or the language of instruction at your home institution, you must provide documentary evidence of your English skills. Please visit [deakin.edu.au/english-req](https://deakin.edu.au/english-req) for more.

### Campus

Make sure your units are all available at your campus of choice. See [deakin.edu.au/handbook](https://deakin.edu.au/handbook) for more.

### Trimester

Select units taught in the trimester in which you wish to study by checking the academic calendar at [deakin.edu.au/courses/key-dates/trimester-key-dates](https://deakin.edu.au/courses/key-dates/trimester-key-dates).

### Prerequisites

Make sure you have met any listed prerequisites for admission requirements.

## How to apply

### Step 1:

In consultation with your home institution, choose your major study area and decide which units you wish to take.

In-depth unit descriptions are available at [deakin.edu.au/handbook](https://deakin.edu.au/handbook).

### Step 2:

Complete the online application available on [deakin.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/how-to-apply](https://deakin.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/how-to-apply), including uploading scanned PDF files of documents such as your passport, certified/notarised evidence of your academic qualifications, and English language proficiency (if applicable). On the online application form, please also list at least five to six units per trimester, in case certain units are unavailable in that trimester.

### Step 3:

Submit the online application.

## After you apply

### Acceptance procedures

As soon as a decision is made on your eligibility, you will be informed of the outcome:

- If you are successful, you will receive a Letter of Offer stating the units of study you have approval to enrol in, the tuition fee and Overseas Student Health Cover information.
- The Letter of Offer may be conditional or unconditional. If you receive a conditional offer, you must fulfil the conditions outlined in the Letter of Offer (such as undertaking an English language course or showing original documents). You will be made an unconditional offer once you have met all the admission requirements.
- You will receive information outlining the process of accepting an offer and the steps you need to take before coming to Australia. You should accept your offer by paying the required fees as soon as possible.
- Your Letter of Offer will contain details about accessing pre-departure information, including the forms used to accept your offer, how to pay your fees, accommodation information and requesting arrival services.



My experience here in Australia has been amazing! I've seen the country's many great places: from the Great Barrier Reef to the Great Ocean Road, and everything in between. Truly, there is no place quite like it. And studying at Deakin gave me the chance to grow as a person and broaden my knowledge. I've learnt to adapt to new situations and have gained a new perspective of the world.

**Jasmine Whitfield**  
California State University, USA

## Conditions of entry into Australia

To be granted a student visa, you are required to:

- Have an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment from Deakin;
- Show evidence of sufficient financial capacity to cover all expenses during the entire stay;
- Be genuinely seeking temporary entry for study purposes only, and agree to leave Australia when the course is completed; and
- Undergo a medical examination with a practitioner approved by the Australian Diplomatic Mission in your country (if required).

Please note, entry into Australia on a student visa is only permitted for applicants undertaking full-time, on-campus study. For more information about visas, go to [www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/500-](https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/500-).

## Health insurance (OSHC)

The Australian Government requires all international students (and any dependants accompanying them) to have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC). The cover provides medical care within Australia from the date of your arrival until the end of your studies in Australia. It is your responsibility to ensure your OSHC is valid and kept up to date while you hold a student visa. For more information about OSHC, go to [www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav/Stud/More/Health-Insurance-for-Students](https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav/Stud/More/Health-Insurance-for-Students).

## Refund policy

Fees apply to persons living in Australia with temporary residence status (provided there is no limitation on study), and to persons living abroad who are not Australian citizens and do not have permanent residency in Australia.

This policy complies with the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee's guidelines on fees for international students.

This policy and its related schedule apply to all international on-campus students, irrespective of who pays the fees.

New international students should visit our website for the most up-to-date refund information at [deakin.edu.au/students/studying/international-students/compliance-and-visas/release-and-refund](https://deakin.edu.au/students/studying/international-students/compliance-and-visas/release-and-refund).

For information on DUELI's fee refund policy, including conditions, methods of refund, transfer fees and attendance requirements, please see [deakin.edu.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0009/199080/DUELI-refund-policy.pdf](https://deakin.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0009/199080/DUELI-refund-policy.pdf).

## Protection of your rights as an overseas student

As an international student, you must study with an education provider and in a course that can be found on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS).

CRICOS registration guarantees the course and the education provider at which you study meets the high standards necessary for overseas students. As a CRICOS-registered education provider, Deakin ensures that all of its courses comply with those standards as set out in the Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) legislative framework. In addition, you have certain rights that are protected under the ESOS framework, as well as certain obligations you have to adhere to while studying in Australia.

For more information, visit [deakin.edu.au/international](https://deakin.edu.au/international).





# Student support

At Deakin University, we pride ourselves on the supportive environment we create for our incoming Study Abroad students. Services include counselling and personal development, medical centres, international student support, sport and recreation, and much more.

## Airport reception

Deakin offers a free airport arrival service. Our reception officers will meet you at the airport and take you to your accommodation.

For more information and to book, visit [deakin.edu.au/international-students/before-you-arrive/airport-reception](http://deakin.edu.au/international-students/before-you-arrive/airport-reception).

## International enrolment and orientation program

As well as the optional Beach Welcome Program, Deakin runs a comprehensive

on-campus Study Abroad Enrolment and Orientation Program.

## International Student Advisers (ISAs)

ISAs are available on each campus and coordinate the support services for international students. They will be your first point of contact on many issues throughout your stay, including student and work visas.

Visit [deakin.edu.au/students/studying/international-students](http://deakin.edu.au/students/studying/international-students) to learn more.

## Fees

Students applying directly to Deakin University are required to pay:

- **Tuition fees**  
This does not include accommodation, travel, books or general living costs. See [deakin.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/fees](http://deakin.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/fees).

### Study Abroad Fees for 2018:

- > 4 units - AU\$9820 per trimester
- > 3 units - AU\$7365 per trimester

### Study Abroad Fees for 2019:

- > 4 units - AU\$10 120 per trimester
- > 3 units - AU\$7590 per trimester

## Health cover

The Overseas Student Health Cover is a compulsory fee for all students entering Australia on a student visa (Norwegian, Swedish and Belgian students excepted), covering basic medical and hospital care. Indicative OSHC fee for 2018 and 2019 is AU\$350 per trimester.

For more information, visit [www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/content/overseas+student+health+cover+faq-1](http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/content/overseas+student+health+cover+faq-1).

## Beach Welcome Program

A fee of AU\$100 applies if you wish to participate in the Beach Welcome Program in 2018, and AU\$120 to participate in 2019. The fee is non-transferable and non-refundable. Participation is optional.

## Living costs

The cost of living varies according to your lifestyle and campus location. For example, city living is likely to attract higher expenses than regional campuses.

For more information, visit [www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/global/live-in-australia/living-costs](http://www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/global/live-in-australia/living-costs).

## Employment

During the trimester study period, Study Abroad students are permitted to work a maximum of 40 hours per fortnight. As visa regulations are subject to change, please refer to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website for up-to-date information, [www.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au).

# Glossary of terms

## Deakin degrees

Study Abroad students are enrolled as regular Deakin students, undertaking classes with Australian students. Deakin University degrees are made up of individual units (these are commonly called, courses, in North America), which are generally intended to be undertaken in specific years of a degree. In a Deakin undergraduate degree of three years' duration, studies are taken at three levels: first year (100 level), second year (200 level) and third year (300 level), generally equivalent to second, third and fourth year of a US degree. Some Deakin degrees are longer in duration, such as engineering, architecture and law, and are studied over four or five years. Exchange and Study Abroad students in postgraduate degrees can also enrol in Deakin units from level 700.

Most units (above first-year introductory units) have prerequisites that must be satisfied before admission can be approved. If you apply for admission to a unit that has prerequisites, Deakin faculties will look at your academic record to determine whether you have passed units comparable in content to Deakin prerequisites. Consequently, it is not advisable to apply for admission to an advanced level unit with prerequisites (i.e. 200 or 300 level) if you have no academic background in that discipline.

## Teaching methods and assessment

The Australian academic system is based on the UK system. There are a range of teaching methods depending on your discipline of study. You will generally have a combination of lecture and tutorial classes. Lectures can vary in size from 35 to 200 students; tutorial classes are much smaller and allow for open discussion of issues raised in lectures. Depending on your discipline, you also may undertake laboratory classes. Fieldwork also forms a large part of some units of study. The formal contact hours vary across units, however great emphasis is placed upon independent study outside of class contact hours.

## Assessment and grading

Final grades are based on assessment of written work, tests undertaken throughout the trimester, participation in class or laboratory attendance, and final examinations. Most, but not all, undergraduate units involve an examination usually held at the end of the unit. The weighting applied to each assessment procedure varies from unit to unit, however your examination may be worth up to 70 per cent of your final grade. Please check each unit to see the weighting of assessments.

## Grades awarded

High Distinction: 80 – 100%,  
Distinction: 70 – 79%,  
Credit: 60 – 69%,  
Pass: 50 – 59%,  
Failure: 0 – 49%

## Credit transfer

An official Deakin academic transcript will be issued upon the completion of your Study Abroad Program. The transcript will be sent directly to your home institution. For ease of credit transfer, you should arrange approval of Deakin units with your home institution prior to arrival in Australia, and it is highly recommended you check with your home institution the amount of credit you will have transferred to your home degree. Students may alter their enrolment upon arrival at Deakin. However, for units which have not been previously approved, evidence of home institution approval is required.

## Study load

Study Abroad students must enrol in a fulltime load of 3–4 credit points per trimester. One Deakin credit is equivalent to 7.5 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) credits. Most units have a weighting of 1 credit point, which means you should take 3–4 units (courses). We have a Study Abroad fee for 3 unit study and 4 unit study. See more details on costs at [deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/fees-and-costs](http://deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/fees-and-costs).

## Academic calendar

When planning your program, keep in mind that the Deakin academic calendar follows the calendar year:

- Trimester 1: February to June
- Trimester 2: July to October
- Trimester 3: November to February



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