

# INTERNATIONAL STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE GUIDE 2013



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UNIVERSITY**

MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

We take pride in knowing about international students – about one in five of our students come to us from overseas. With over 300 courses, it's no wonder more than 11,000 students from 90 countries have taken advantage of what we offer.

Melbourne is a city that celebrates diversity. Our ten campuses stretch from the city centre through Melbourne's western suburbs, and with nearby student accommodation and excellent programs to help you get oriented, you'll feel at home in no time.

We have partnerships with institutes and universities in Europe, Asia and the Americas, and we are a leader in the field in the changing nature of work and the workplace.

Our strong industry and community links, as well as our research partnerships, ensure our graduates are equipped with 21st-century employment skills.

This guide shows you how studying at Victoria University is your key to unlocking the next exciting chapter in your future. I wish you all the best.



Professor Peter Dawkins  
Vice-Chancellor and President

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### ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Victoria University's International communications arm of the marketing and recruitment team has produced this guide exclusively for study abroad and incoming exchange students. Information in this guide is for 2012 and is correct at the time of printing (March 2012). All information, including fees and course offerings are subject to change. For the latest information visit [www.vu.edu.au](http://www.vu.edu.au)

Special thanks to all our staff and students who contributed to this guide.

# MELBOURNE WORLD'S BEST CITY

**Melbourne is *the* place to live. In 2011 it was rated the world's most liveable city by *The Economist*. Melbourne is Australia's number one city for international students, and number four in the world, according to the QS Best Student Cities 2012.**

### AROUND MELBOURNE

Melbourne is the Australian leader in the arts, sport, and festivals and events. We have great shops and restaurants, and people of many nationalities have made their homes here.

Our seemingly never-ending laneways always turn up treasures, whether a rare record label or a superb café.

We enjoy international fashion, arts, film and food and wine festivals, a superb range of art galleries and an original theatre scene.

Our festivals include Melbourne Music Week, the Melbourne International Arts Festival, the Comedy Festival, the Fringe Festival, the Melbourne International Film Festival and the International Chamber Music Festival.

This is a city that knows sport. The Melbourne Cup on the first Tuesday in November is a horse race that stops the nation.

We host the Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix, the Motorcycle Grand Prix, surfing championships, international cricket, soccer and rugby. Melbourne is also home to the AFL – the Australian football code established here in 1859. You have to experience the atmosphere of the October Grand Final to believe it.

[www.thatsmelbourne.com.au](http://www.thatsmelbourne.com.au)

### THE STATE OF VICTORIA

Victoria is one of the smaller Australian states, and it packs in outstanding attractions within a few hours from Melbourne.

There are heritage-listed towns in the Goldfields, less than two hours from the city, wild national parks, and ski fields to suit everyone from beginners to Olympic champions.

A short distance from Melbourne is the Yarra Valley, with its great wines and the Healesville Wildlife Sanctuary, where you can get close to Australian animals.

Phillip Island, only a 90-minute drive from Melbourne, is home to the world famous fairy penguins. The island has spectacular coastal scenery, a fascinating heritage and plenty of other Australian wildlife. Phillip Island Nature Parks is a world leader in ecotourism and wildlife research.

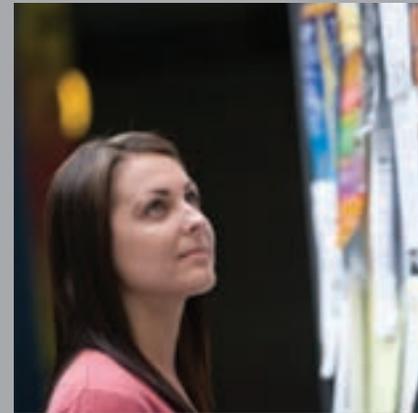
The Great Ocean Road is a must-see for its extraordinary scenery, which attracts filmmakers from around the world. Around the Great Ocean Road you can enjoy outdoor adventures such as surfing and scuba diving, or arts and cultural activities.

[www.visitvictoria.com](http://www.visitvictoria.com)

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Getting around Melbourne is easy. We have one of the most extensive tram networks in the world, buses to nearly everywhere, and a rail network that connects the city and suburbs. A simple underground city railway loop serves the city centre, from where it branches out in all directions.

# STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE



## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE?

### STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

You qualify as a study abroad student if:

- your institution does not have an exchange agreement with Victoria University, or
- your home university is one of our exchange partners but you have not secured an exchange place.

### STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

You qualify as an exchange student if:

- you are enrolled at one of Victoria University's international exchange partners, and
- you are nominated by your home university.

Our international exchange partners can be viewed here:  
[www.vu.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange](http://www.vu.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange)

## CREDITS FOR YOUR HOME DEGREE

Our programs are designed to give you the opportunity to spend one or two semesters of your course in Melbourne and to transfer the credit to your home institution. We welcome undergraduate and postgraduate students.

When you finish your program you will receive an academic transcript and a completion certificate.

## TUITION FEES

The 2012 Study Abroad Program tuition fee is AS\$8400 per semester, and the 2013 fee is \$8700 per semester. The fee needs to be paid up-front to Victoria University. This fee is subject to change. Study Abroad students can choose to study for either a semester or a full academic year.

There are no tuition fees for exchange students.

## UNITS

Units are also known as modules or subjects, and are components of a course. A collection of specific units constitutes a complete course of study or qualification. You will have a wide choice of units across our three higher education faculties:

- Arts, Education and Human Development
- Business and Law
- Health, Engineering and Science

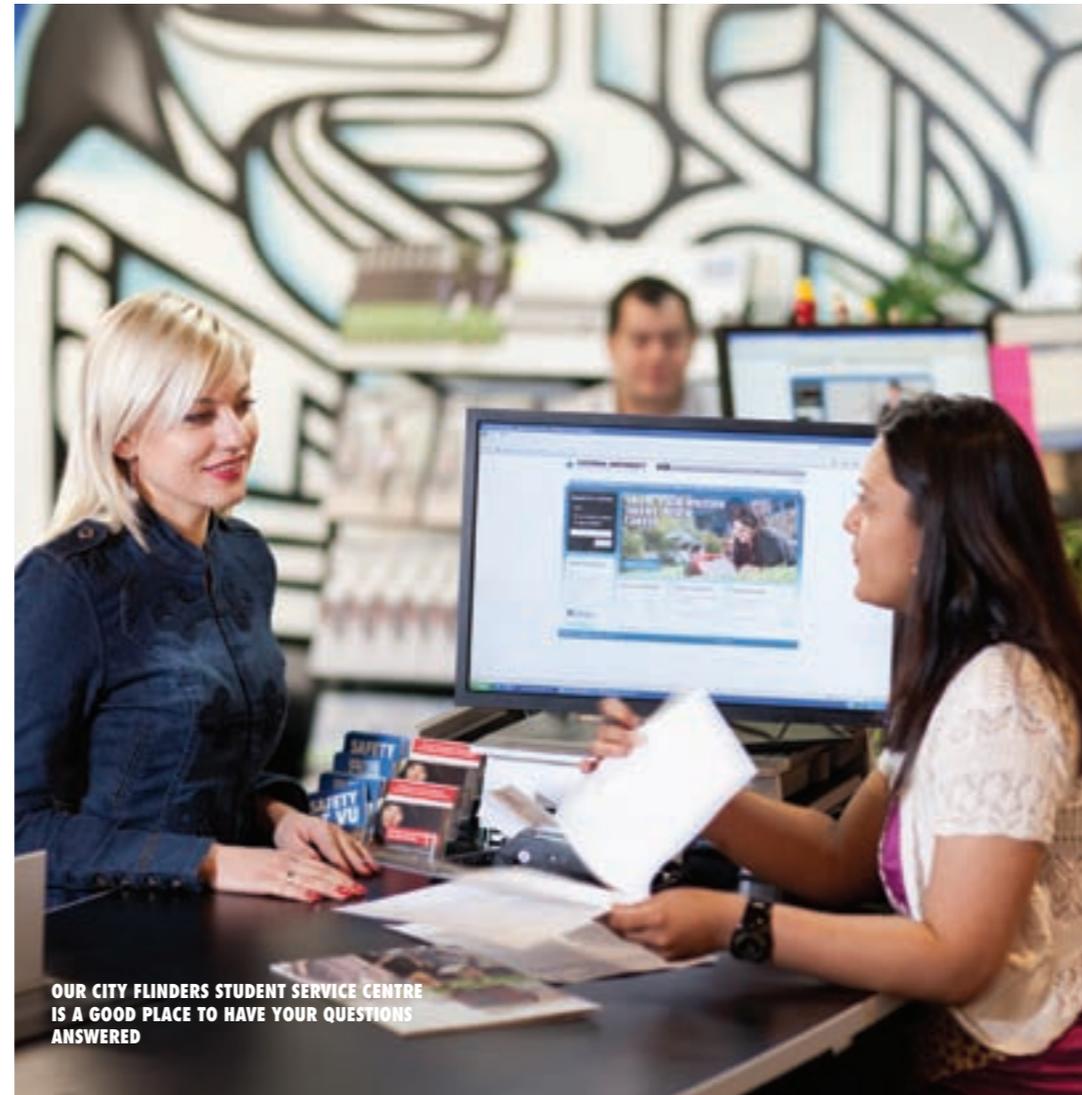
You can check the prerequisites of any units you nominate by visiting the online handbook: [www.vu.edu.au/courses](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses) Select 'unit' and 'non-resident' to begin the search.

When you select your units, be aware that some courses have specific prerequisites or other entry requirements. If English is not your first language, you must meet the English language requirements for your studies. See **page 5** for more information.

As a guide, a 12-credit-point VU subject is equivalent to three or four US/Japanese credit points and 7.5 ECTS credit points. Three to four units (36–48 credit points) are considered a full-time subject load. To fulfil your student visa obligations, you must enrol in a full-time load. Most students take four units, and the maximum number you can study at VU per semester is five, but this is not recommended.



THE WORLD AWAITS AFTER YOU'VE STUDIED IN MELBOURNE WITH US



OUR CITY FLINDERS STUDENT SERVICE CENTRE IS A GOOD PLACE TO HAVE YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

## CHOOSE A STUDY AREA

### Arts

- Arts
- Asian and Pacific Studies
- Asian Studies
- Australian and Indigenous Studies
- Computer Mediated Art
- Cultural Studies
- History
- Languages: Vietnamese
- Literature
- Political Science
- Sociology

### Arts – Performing, Creative

- Creative Arts Industries
- Music
- Performance Studies
- Professional Writing
- Visual Arts

### Business and Management

- Accounting
- Banking and Finance
- Economics
- Electronic Commerce
- Event Management
- Finance
- Hospitality
- Human Resources Management
- Management
- Marketing
- Retail Commerce
- Sports Administration
- Tourism

### Communications and Media

- Communications
- Multimedia
- Public Relations

### Education (Teaching)

- Education

### Engineering and Construction Management

- Architectural Engineering
- Building Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

### Environment

- Ecology and Sustainability
- Environmental Management

### Health and Community Services

- Community Development
- Health Sciences
- Human Movement
- Nutritional Therapy
- Recreation
- Social Work

### Information Technology

- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Information Systems
- Mathematics

### International Relations

- Supply Chain and Logistics Management
- Globalisation Studies
- International Business
- International Trade
- International Studies

### Law

- Advocacy and Mediation
- Criminal Justice Studies
- Legal Studies
- Law

### Nutrition

- Nutrition and Food Science

### Psychology

- Psychology

### Science

- Biology
- Biomedical Sciences
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Molecular Science

### Sport

- Recreation Management
- Sport Administration
- Sports Science

For all the information you need to select a course, visit:  
[www.vu.edu.au/courses/search](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/search)



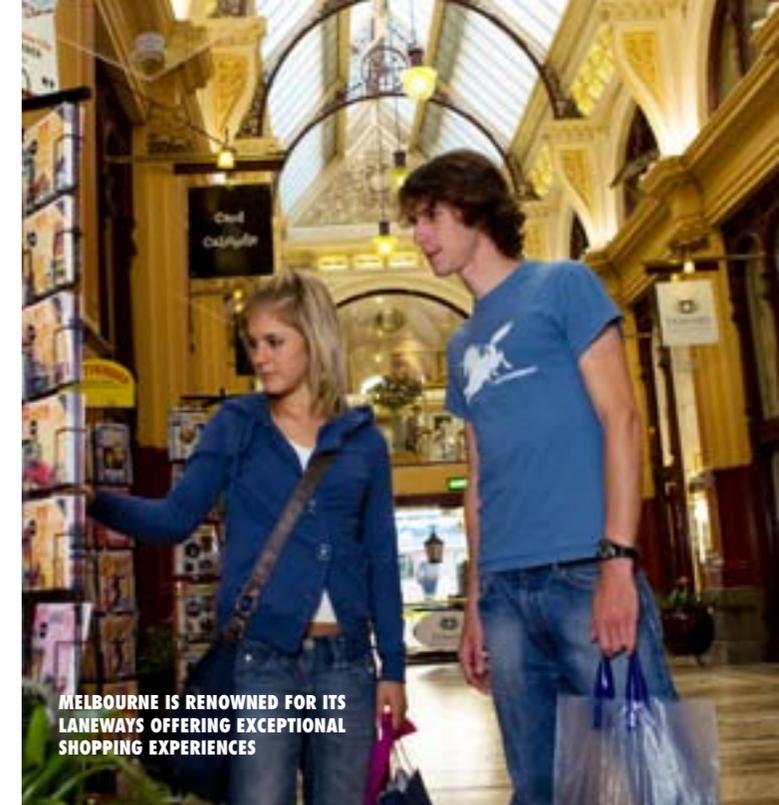
A COSMOPOLITAN CITY, MELBOURNE HAS BECOME A TOP AUSTRALIAN DESTINATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



NEVER FAR FROM GREAT BEACHES, MELBOURNE WAS RECENTLY RATED THE WORLD'S MOST LIVEABLE CITY



OUR LIBRARIES ARE DESIGNED TO BE THE RIGHT PLACES FOR STUDENTS TO LEARN



MELBOURNE IS RENOWNED FOR ITS LANEWAYS OFFERING EXCEPTIONAL SHOPPING EXPERIENCES

## FACULTY HANDBOOKS

For detailed information on degree programs and units, please refer to our Handbooks. They are available online at: [www.vu.edu.au/courses/search](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/search)

You can use the online handbooks for course content and prerequisite information, but not unit availability. Some units may not be available for the semester, so to avoid disappointment you should check the faculty timetables closer to the semester start date.

Go to the timetables: [www.vu.edu.au/current-students/student-essentials/timetables-and-calendars/timetables](http://www.vu.edu.au/current-students/student-essentials/timetables-and-calendars/timetables)

## SPECIALISATIONS

We have developed discipline-specific programs that offer the possibility of placements, tours and field trips.

Currently, there are four programs to choose from:

- Asia Pacific Studies
- Australian and Indigenous Studies
- Creative Arts Industries
- Sport and Recreation Management

To find out more about specialisations, please email [educationabroad@vu.edu.au](mailto:educationabroad@vu.edu.au) or visit:

[www.vu.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/apply-for-study-abroad-and-exchange](http://www.vu.edu.au/international-students/study-abroad-and-exchange/apply-for-study-abroad-and-exchange)

## WHILE YOU STUDY

### FULL-TIME STUDY

It is a student visa requirement that you study full time and satisfy course requirements in order to maintain a valid enrolment.

### WORK WHILE YOU STUDY

You have an automatic right to work in Australia for up to 20 hours a week once you have started your course, and for the duration of your visa. You can also work an unlimited number of hours during the summer and winter non-teaching periods.

### OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER (OSHC)

Your Study Abroad Acceptance Form will also contain the fee for OSHC. OSHC is a compulsory part of obtaining an Australian student visa and is designed to protect you while you are in Australia. You can find further details at: [www.oshcworldcare.com.au](http://www.oshcworldcare.com.au)

## REFUND POLICY

In some situations, you may be eligible for a full refund of course fees.

For full information on refunds, go to: [www.vu.edu.au/courses/fees-and-scholarships/refunds/international-refunds](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/fees-and-scholarships/refunds/international-refunds)

## IMPORTANT DATES

### APPLICATION CLOSING DATES

**Semester 2 2012:**  
Deadline 31 May 2012

**Semester 1 2013:**  
Deadline 14 December 2012

**Semester 2 2013:**  
Deadline 31 May 2013

### SEMESTER DATES

**Semester 2 2012:**  
23 July – 19 October. Exam period until 17 November

**Semester 1 2013:**  
25 Feb – 24 May. Exam period until 22 June

**Semester 2 2013:**  
22 July – 18 October. Exam period until 16 November

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

### ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

Academic requirements for the Study Abroad and Exchange program are:

- Achievement of 65% average in studies or 2.5 grade point average on a scale of 4 or equivalent

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Certified copies of results will be required. IELTS and TOEFL scores should not be more than two years old. We may accept other evidence of English language proficiency and will examine it on a case-by-case basis.

If you do not meet our English requirements, you can undertake an intensive course at our English Language Institute. To find out more go to: [www.vu.edu.au/international-students/english-language-studies](http://www.vu.edu.au/international-students/english-language-studies)

### IELTS AND TOEFL

IELTS (International English Language Testing System) – Academic Module

Computer-based TOEFL

Internet-based TOEFL

DAAD English proficiency test

## STUDENT VISAS

### APPLYING FOR A VISA

Your nearest Australian diplomatic mission can provide advice about the visa application process. For more information, go to: [www.dfat.gov.au/missions](http://www.dfat.gov.au/missions)

There are different visa requirements depending on your country of origin. For more information, go to the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship's website: [www.immi.gov.au/students](http://www.immi.gov.au/students)

## ELECTRONIC CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT (ECoE)

An eCoE is a document issued by Victoria University that you will need to apply for an Australian student visa. You must apply for the visa at home, and you need an eCoE from us before you can do so.

### HOW TO APPLY

Follow the steps on **page 12** of this guide to find out how to apply for our study abroad or exchange programs.

### REQUIREMENT

IELTS (International English Language Testing System) – Academic Module	Minimum overall score of 6.0 (no band less than 6.0)
Computer-based TOEFL	Minimum score of 213 with an Essay Rating (ER) score of 5.0
Internet-based TOEFL	Minimum score of 80 with a minimum of 20 in all sections
DAAD English proficiency test	etwa C1 / UNIcert-Stufe III

# BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY

## CLUBS AND EVENTS

Joining a club or society is a great way to become part of the Victoria University community. Our clubs and societies include everything from Australian Rules Football, soccer and cheerleading, through to music, writing and free enterprise.

There are free music lessons, health information sessions and law competitions. You could dance at a ball or join an excursion or study group.

Many of our sporting clubs offer social sport days, so you can come and try a new sport for fun.

Our clubs cater to all tastes, but if there's not a club or society to suit you, you will have support to start your own.

For details visit:  
[www.vu.edu.au/current-students/campus-life/clubs-and-societies](http://www.vu.edu.au/current-students/campus-life/clubs-and-societies)

## AMI (AUSSIE MATES FOR INTERNATIONALS)

By becoming a part of our Facebook group and web site, you can meet other Exchange and Study Abroad students and join in many social and cultural events around Melbourne.

AMI (Aussie Mates for Internationals) is a Victoria University student group set up especially for exchange and study abroad students, to connect international students with local students on campus.

Exchange and study abroad students will have the opportunity to be matched with an Aussie Mate. You will receive an email from your new 'mate' (friend) before you arrive. Aussie Mates are experienced local students who know Melbourne and Victoria University well. Your Aussie Mate will ensure that you have a smooth transition to life in Melbourne and your studies at Victoria University.

Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/groups/197885440243598/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/197885440243598/)

Website:  
<https://sites.google.com/site/auzziemates/>

## STUDENT SUPPORT

We have an International Student Support Team dedicated to making your stay as enjoyable as possible, and you can get in touch with them at any time via email or telephone.

Find out more online at:  
[www.vu.edu.au/facilities-and-services/advice-and-counselling/international-student-support](http://www.vu.edu.au/facilities-and-services/advice-and-counselling/international-student-support)

## DISABILITY SUPPORT

At Victoria University we ensure that people with a disability or medical condition can participate in all aspects of university life and community. For more information go to:

[www.vu.edu.au/facilities-and-services/student-equity-and-disability-support/disability-services](http://www.vu.edu.au/facilities-and-services/student-equity-and-disability-support/disability-services)



STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE STUDENTS GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER IN A VARIETY OF WAYS. THEY RECENTLY TOURED VICTORIA'S GREAT OCEAN ROAD



MELBOURNE HAS DEDICATED CYCLING FACILITIES, AND STUDENTS CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF A BICYCLE HIRE SYSTEM SIMILAR TO THE ONE THAT OPERATES IN PARIS



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I CHOSE MELBOURNE. I HAD A LOT OF DIFFERENT OPTIONS, BUT HERE I'M PRETTY MUCH IN THE CITY CENTRE. I'M STUDYING AT CITY FLINDERS. I HAVE AN APARTMENT IN THE CITY, AND IT'S VERY GOOD.

I CAME HERE TO IMPROVE MY ENGLISH SKILLS TOO, AND TO HANG OUT WITH PEOPLE FROM CULTURES FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. MY ROOMMATES ARE MEXICAN AND COLOMBIAN, SO I AM LEARNING SPANISH.

JOAKIM BERGKVIEST, SWEDEN  
STUDYING TAXATION LAW AND PRACTICE  
ON EXCHANGE FROM JÖNKÖPING  
UNIVERSITY

# STUDY AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY

## CAMPUS AND FACILITIES

### GREAT FACILITIES, NEW TECHNOLOGY

We offer the latest in facilities, technology and practices, providing the perfect environment for higher education and research.

Our facilities include a brand new, AS68 million Learning Commons and Exercise Science and Sport Science Laboratory Precinct; a Centre for Health Research and Education (a AS35 million joint venture between Victoria University, the University of Melbourne, and Western Health); and our state-of-the-art training restaurant and hospitality teaching centre, VenU.

### LIBRARIES

Besides the vast collections of books, reference materials and Internet access, our libraries are hubs of activity and equipment.

They have quiet study areas, places for discussion, and are equipped with everything you will need in your student life. At most campuses you will find photocopying, computing, printing facilities, LCD projectors, digital cameras and DVD players available for your use or to borrow.

Go to <http://library.vu.edu.au> for more details.

### COMPUTERS

Computer laboratories are available in all campus libraries. Open Access computer laboratories are available to all our staff and students. Some faculties open laboratories between classes, and educational Internet use is widely available.

### BOOKSHOPS

Most of our campuses have bookshops, and they also sell phone cards, public transport tickets, gifts and computer software and hardware.

Go to [www.vu.edu/bookshop](http://www.vu.edu/bookshop) to find out more.

### TEACHING METHODS

Victoria University is an acknowledged leader in industry-based learning. That means as well as spending time in the classroom and lecture theatre, you will be out getting real experience in workplaces.

We know how important it is to apply the knowledge you gain, to refine it and build upon it in real situations you will encounter in the workforce.

We regularly meet with industry and community leaders to review our courses and confirm they are relevant and up to date. As a student you can be confident what you are learning will help secure your future.

Read more at <http://t1s.vu.edu.au/portal/gpd>

## ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

Finding a comfortable place to live will be fundamental when you arrive in Melbourne. Around Melbourne you can privately rent a flat, apartment or house with other students, or you may be able to rent a room in an already established student household.

International students can stay short and long-term at one of our student accommodation residences:

- Student Village at Maribyrnong
- Victoria Place, close to our Footscray Park campus

Our residences have academic, transition, sporting and social programs led by students to help you get started.

Our Student Housing Service offers free housing advice and assistance. Our VU Housing Guide will help, and we maintain a database of single and shared private rental vacancies, at:

[www.vu.edu.au/facilities-and-services/housing-services](http://www.vu.edu.au/facilities-and-services/housing-services)

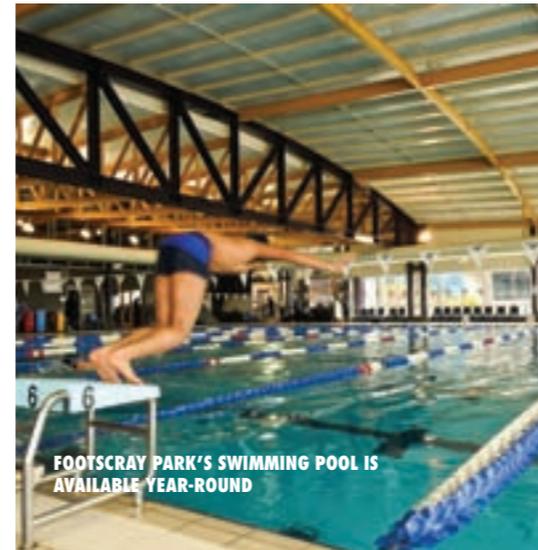
### ACCOMMODATION AND LIVING COSTS

Finding the right accommodation to suit your budget is a challenge for international students.

You should factor the cost of housing into your budget before you come to Australia, and have access to funds to cover possible rent increases while you are here.

### UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION

For information about our Student Housing Service and Victoria University Accommodation options, go to: [vu.edu.au/housing](http://vu.edu.au/housing)



FOOTSCRAY PARK'S SWIMMING POOL IS AVAILABLE YEAR-ROUND



OUR CAMPUS CAFES ARE EXCELLENT PLACES TO MEET FRIENDS AND SOCIALISE



WE HAVE A VARIETY OF STUDENT ACCOMMODATION CLOSE TO SOME OF OUR CAMPUSES

### COST OF UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION

Based on a 26-week stay

	INITIAL SET-UP A\$	WEEKLY RENT A\$
Student Village	from 3485	from 155
Victoria Place	from 2205	from 267

### LIVING COSTS

In addition to the estimated costs in the table, please consider:

- Overseas Student Health Cover: AS230 for a single, 7-month policy
- Books and stationery: AS650 approximately

For updated estimates on what it costs to rent through the private market in Melbourne, go to:

[http://www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/living\\_in\\_melbourne/money-and-finances](http://www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/living_in_melbourne/money-and-finances)

### MINIMUM LIVING COSTS

Based on a 26-week period (one semester).

	WEEKLY A\$	SEMESTER A\$
Accommodation	150	3,900
Food and drinks	100	2,600
Public transport – Zone 1	30	780
Personal care	20	520
Entertainment, sport, hobbies	20	520
Mobile phone and internet	30	780
Utilities (gas, electricity, water)	10-30	260-780
<b>Estimated Minimum Total</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>9,360</b>

OUR CITY FLINDERS CAMPUS IN THE HEART OF MELBOURNE'S CITY CENTRE PUTS YOU AT THE CENTRE OF LEARNING



## CITY FLINDERS CAMPUS

Our City Flinders Campus is a modern building in the centre of Melbourne's busy CBD. We offer multimedia and postgraduate business courses at this campus, which is ideally situated with city businesses on all sides.

City Flinders is also in a perfect location for food and cafes, and it overlooks Melbourne's grand Flinders Street Station, the Yarra River and the Southbank precinct. That puts it within easy reach of transport, shops and great food. City Flinders is alive with academic studies and city 'buzz'.

### WHERE

300 Flinders Street, Melbourne

### HOW TO GET THERE

By train, bus and tram services from all parts of Melbourne.

[www.vu.edu.au/campuses/city-flinders](http://www.vu.edu.au/campuses/city-flinders)

FOOTSCRAY PARK'S INSTITUTE OF SPORT, EXERCISE AND ACTIVE LIVING IS AT THE FOREFRONT OF RESEARCH IN SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE



## FOOTSCRAY PARK CAMPUS

The oldest and largest of Victoria University's campuses has extraordinary facilities and offers a great lifestyle to students. Footscray is Melbourne's multicultural hub, and the village-like campus has everything from restaurants and cafes to state-of-the-art lecture theatres and a student learning commons.

The campus is a short walk from Footscray Station. At Footscray Park we offer a vast number of courses. It is home to our aquatic and fitness centre and housing services, where we can help you find a place to live in our student accommodation or elsewhere.

### WHERE

Ballarat Road, Footscray

### HOW TO GET THERE

By train, bus and tram services from all parts of Melbourne.

[www.vu.edu.au/campuses/footscray-park](http://www.vu.edu.au/campuses/footscray-park)

OUR ST ALBANS CAMPUS IS A MULTICULTURAL HUB WITH A FOCUS ON RECREATION AND HEALTH SCIENCE



## ST ALBANS CAMPUS

Our St Albans campus is one of the bigger ones, and offers a brilliant lifestyle to students studying there. The extensive grounds are next to a local creek surrounded by native grasslands and trees.

The campus specialises in arts and science programs, and it has modern research centres, including a sleep laboratory and a 'wet lab' for marine studies.

### WHERE

McKechnie Street, St Albans

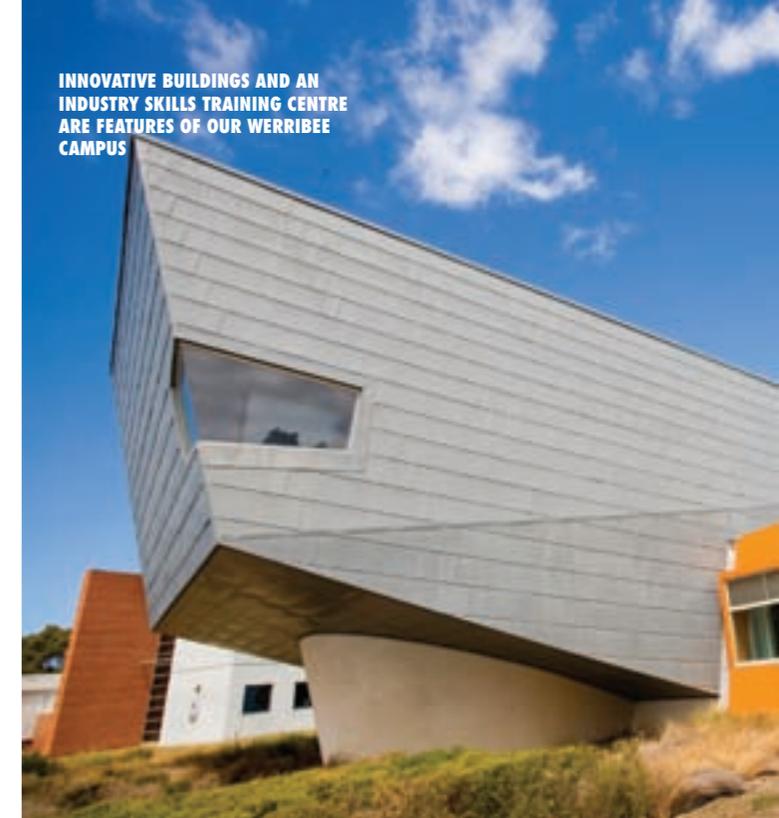
### HOW TO GET THERE

Train to St Albans Station (Sydenham line, 30 minutes from the city).

St Albans Campus is approximately 10 minutes walk from St Albans Station down McKechnie Street.

[www.vu.edu.au/campuses/st-albans](http://www.vu.edu.au/campuses/st-albans)

INNOVATIVE BUILDINGS AND AN INDUSTRY SKILLS TRAINING CENTRE ARE FEATURES OF OUR WERRIBEE CAMPUS



## WERRIBEE CAMPUS

The work our students and researchers do at our Werribee Campus makes a major contribution to the local and international scientific community. Situated in the Werribee technology precinct, the campus has specialised facilities for teaching and research including major research centres for the Faculty of Health Engineering and Science.

The campus has an Industry Skills Training Centre and a Sport and Fitness Centre.

### WHERE

Hoppers Lane, Werribee

### HOW TO GET THERE

By train to Hoppers Crossing (Werribee line, 40 minutes from the city).

The campus is five minutes walk from Hoppers Crossing Station, down Hoppers Lane.

[www.vu.edu.au/campuses/werribee](http://www.vu.edu.au/campuses/werribee)

# HOW TO APPLY

## 1. CONTACT YOUR HOME INSTITUTION OR AGENT

Find out if you are eligible as a Study Abroad or Exchange student.

## 2. SELECT YOUR UNITS OF STUDY

See [page 2-4](#) for instructions.

## 3. COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FORM

Ensure you attach all supporting documentation. You must prove that you meet the entry requirements by attaching the relevant documentation, which can include:

- Evidence of your English language proficiency
- Certified copies of your academic transcripts

Download an application form from: [www.vu.edu.au/international/apply-student-exchange](http://www.vu.edu.au/international/apply-student-exchange)

## 4. ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

You will receive a letter of offer with an acceptance agreement. Send that to [educationabroad@vu.edu.au](mailto:educationabroad@vu.edu.au)

If you are a Study Abroad student you will need to attach a receipt for payment.

## 5. APPLY FOR YOUR VISA

If you are applying for a Student Visa we will provide you with a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).

## 6. ARRANGE YOUR FLIGHT AND ACCOMMODATION

When you arrive at Melbourne Airport, we can meet you and take you into the city for free. Just complete the Airport Reception Request form at least ten days before you intend to arrive.

Further information is available at: [www.vu.edu.au/international-students/life-at-vu/before-you-arrive/request-airport-reception](http://www.vu.edu.au/international-students/life-at-vu/before-you-arrive/request-airport-reception)

# AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA IS A COUNTRY LOCATED IN THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE, AND THE SIXTH-LARGEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD.

A HIGHLY DEVELOPED COUNTRY, AUSTRALIA IS THE WORLD'S THIRTEENTH LARGEST ECONOMY AND HAS THE WORLD'S SIXTH-HIGHEST PER CAPITA INCOME.

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