

# LIVING COSTS

The table below provides an estimate of how much it will cost to live in Melbourne while studying. Please note that these costs are presented as a guide only, and should be considered the minimum amount required.

You will need money for other spending related to moving to Melbourne, such as airline tickets. Overseas Student Health Cover charges are based on the 2011 fee for one year's cover.

For up-to-date information on living costs, visit: [WWW.VU.EDU.AU/FACILITIES-AND-SERVICES/HOUSING-SERVICES/HOUSE-HUNTING-ADVICE](http://WWW.VU.EDU.AU/FACILITIES-AND-SERVICES/HOUSING-SERVICES/HOUSE-HUNTING-ADVICE)



Above: Docklands, Melbourne

## COST OF LIVING ESTIMATES (A\$)\*

	RENTING	STUDENT VILLAGE
<b>ESTABLISHMENT COSTS</b>		
Bond/Damages deposit	A\$480.00	A\$400.00
Rent/Accommodation fees (Approx two months in advance**)	A\$480.00	A\$1050.00
Application fee and other charges		A\$433.50
Furniture, linen, crockery etc...	A\$525.00	A\$150.00
Books, stationery	A\$630.00	A\$630.00
Overseas Student Health Cover	A\$349.00	A\$390.00
Telephone connection	A\$59.00	
	A\$2,523.00	A\$3053.50

	PER WEEK	PER SEMESTER	PER WEEK	PER SEMESTER
<b>WEEKLY COSTS</b>				
Rent/Accommodation Fees	A\$120.00	A\$3120.00	A\$114.45	A\$2,334.15
Food and beverages	A\$80.00	A\$2080.00	A\$80.00	A\$2080.00
Public transport	**A\$25.30	A\$657.00	A\$30.00	A\$780.00
Personal health, chemist, haircut	A\$15.00	A\$780.00	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
Hobbies, Sport, Entertainment	A\$10.00	A\$260.00	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
Mobile Phone	A\$15.00	A\$390.00	NOT AVAILABLE	NOT AVAILABLE
Utilities (gas, electricity, phone, water)	A\$25.00	A\$650.00	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT APPLICABLE
<b>ESTIMATED MINIMUM LIVING COSTS PER SEMESTER</b>	<b>A\$10,460.00</b>		<b>A\$8,206.15</b>	

\* ESTIMATED MINIMUM ANNUAL LIVING COSTS ARE FOR 2010 ONLY. AMOUNTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IN 2011.

\*\* Based on zone 1 monthly met ticket within Melbourne's public transport system.

\*\*\* Utilities (gas, electricity, phone, water) are included in this fee