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Study Abroad in Australia



Higher Education in Australia

- The Australian higher education system consists of independent, self-governing public and private universities, and higher education institutions that award higher education qualifications. The higher education system is based on the British model.
- The top ranked, research intensive universities in Australia are known as the 'Group of Eight' similar to the UK's Russell Group and include:
 - \Rightarrow ANU (Australian National University)
 - \Rightarrow University of Melbourne
 - \Rightarrow University of Sydney
 - \Rightarrow University of Queensland

- \Rightarrow UNSW Australia (University of New South Wales)
- \Rightarrow University of Adelaide
- \Rightarrow University of Western Australia
- \Rightarrow Monash University

Entry Requirements & Application Process

• There is no centralised application system for international students applying to universities in Australia. Instead, students should apply through UK representative Study Options

https://www.studyoptions.com/

The academic year in Australia starts in late February, rather than in September. Almost all degrees can be started in the first semester (February) whilst some start in the second (July). Some Australian universities also offer degrees starting in September and October. Candidates should apply between 5-18 months before their course is due to start.

- Students in Year 13/S6 can apply for a conditional offer (as with UCAS) which will be dependent on final exam grades. Students can also apply with their A Level exam results for an unconditional offer. Some specialist degrees, such as medicine and dentistry, have earlier deadlines.
- The majority of UK applicants will be assessed on their UK school-leaving qualifications alone. Additional tests are not usually required.
- Study Options help with every stage of the course search, applications and admissions process. It
 is free to use, candidates can send completed applications and supporting documents to their
 head office in Bristol. Applications are checked before being uploaded to the universities for
 assessment.
- Study Options will also certify academic documents and help candidates with every other stage of the process, from visas to arranging accommodation. Candidates who prefer can go to their offices in Bristol or London to talk things over in person.

Highest Ranked Universities

The Australian National University (27) The University of Melbourne (37) The University of Sydney (38)

https://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings/world-university-rankings/2022

Visa

Students will need a "<u>subclass 500 student visa</u>" which can be obtained via an online system Students must first obtain a Confirmation of Enrolment from their chosen university. This is issued after a formal offer has been made, accepted in writing by the student and the required deposit toward tuition fees has been made.

Fees

Each university sets its own tuition fees. These will vary considerably between different universities and locations. International students must pay tuition fees up-front in semester instalments (usually two payments each year). Most scholarships are offered by the universities themselves.

For an undergraduate degree expect to pay anything between A\$22,000 - A\$35,000 (£11,800 - £18,800) for arts/ humanities subjects and A\$26,000 - A\$40,000 (£14,000 - £21,500) for science and medicine.

Working

A student visa for Australia allows full time degree students (undergraduate and postgraduate) to work part time during the academic year, and full time over the summer holidays, provided their course meets immigration requirements.

Further Information

Study in Australia <u>https://www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/</u>

Study Options <u>https://www.studyoptions.com/study-australia</u>

To find a scholarship https://www.scholars4dev.com/category/country/australia-scholarships/