

Study in Australia

Top Universities

Australia has 43 universities in total, out of which, 40 universities are public, 2 are international universities and 1 is a private university. The country has some of the most prestigious and high ranking universities in the world. As per the latest QS World University Rankings, 35 Australian universities are ranked among the world's top 500 universities' list and 6 are ranked among the world's top 100.

TOP 10 UNIVERSITIES FOR FOREIGN STUDY IN AUSTRALIA ARE:

- Australian National University (ANU)
- University of Melbourne
- University of Sydney
- The University of New South Wales
- University of Queensland (UQ)
- Monash University
- University of Western Australia (UWA)
- University of Adelaide
- Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT)

The University of Wollongong

When & How to apply

Applications for overseas education in Australian Universities are accepted all-round the year. Most universities accept new students in two intakes in each academic session, which are usually in February and July or November, with slight variations according to a university's academic calendar.

However, it is better to apply as early as possible because the visa process takes up to 12 weeks turnaround time. If you wish to begin your studies in Australia for February intake, you should aim to have your application completed and submitted by mid-November/late-December, depending on the institute. If you are targeting the July intake, you should complete your application by May.

Australian academic intakes:

- **Foundation courses:** Duration is 1 year and intake is in February (depends on the university).

- **Vocational Education and Training courses:** Duration is 6 Month-1year and intake are in Jan, May, June, Oct, TAFE Institutions
- **Undergraduate courses:** Duration is 3 years (4 years for honors degree) and intake is in Feb, July, and November, (depends on the university).
- **Postgraduate/Masters courses:** Duration is 1-2 years and intake is in March (depends on the university) Feb, July, and November.
- **Doctoral degrees:** Duration is 3-4 years and round the year intake as the supervisor or the project demands.

Eligibility Criteria

The general criteria for applications in Australian universities are mentioned below:

English language proficiency:

All applicants are required to take a recognized English language proficiency test. IELTS/TOEFL/PTE score is generally considered by Australian Universities.

- For undergraduate programs, a minimum IELTS band score of 6 with no less than 6.0 in each section is required and for post-graduate programs, a minimum IELTS band score of 6.5 with no less than 6 in each section is required.

Academic requirements:

Undergraduate study in Australia

- High-school certificate or Year 12 of school education
- Academic scores with a minimum 60 % or above in class XII
- Mathematics in-class XII as a prerequisite(for some sciences and technology courses)

Postgraduate study in Australia

- Recognized undergraduate certificate or 15 years of education
- Strong academic background
- Relevant work experience (some universities require this for MBA programs)

Document Check List

Following is the list of documents required for applying to universities:

Undergraduate Programme:

- Higher Senior Secondary and Senior Secondary school Mark sheet and Passing Certificate
- Passport Copy
- IELTS/TOEFL/PTE score (whichever applicable)
- Statement of purpose
- Portfolio of work (for courses in art, design, etc.)

The Australian Universities usually take around 2 days to 4 weeks to respond or to process a student's applications.

Students are advised to apply as soon as possible.

Student Life in Australia

Australia is well known for its multinational and safe environment in which students have ample scope to learn, grow and travel.

Safety for International students studying in Australia

Regardless of what you are studying or how long you are studying for, Australia's laws promote quality education and protection for international students.

Australia is one of the safest countries in the world for international students and has a comparatively low crime rate. In most places, lanes are clean, open and well-lit at night. The frequency of robbery and assault in Australia is relatively low, and there are strict anti-gun and anti-drug laws. Australian Universities have a student support cell that ensures and safeguards the interests of international students. They help and support in resolving academic or administrative grievances, provide medical assistance and other student welfare supports.

Universities provide following support for international students:

- Language tuition
- International student counselors
- Visa application and processing assistance
- On arrival orientation programs
- Health, counseling, lodging and employment service.