



STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA



ACU

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY



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MELBOURNE ✓
SYDNEY ✓
BALLARAT ✓
CANBERRA ✓

SIX CAMPUSES, FIVE CITIES, ONE GREAT EXPERIENCE

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WELCOME TO ACU

Australian Catholic University (ACU) is a unique institution, offering a broad range of high-quality academic courses to our dynamic student population. With our strong focus on social responsibility, students will find a place to learn and experience Australian life in both an academic and social setting. Our six campuses are located in the state capital cities of Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane; the national capital Canberra; and Ballarat offering you an exciting choice of study locations in different parts of Australia.

Whether you undertake an internship through your Study Abroad experience, or participate in one of our community engagement initiatives, we know your time with ACU will be memorable and one which will enhance your future career prospects.

Explore your world and experience ACU.



ABOUT AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

ACU is an Australian government-funded, public university open to students of all beliefs, nationalities and cultures. We offer a wide range of courses in our four faculties - **Education and Arts, Health Sciences, Law and Business, and Theology and Philosophy**. With six campuses available to international students, each one is small enough to allow for a close working relationship between students and academic staff, with smaller classes enabling academic staff to give individual attention to students.

Our history is built on 155 years of tradition in educational excellence. In 1857, religious orders in Australia first began training teachers and nurses and started building ACU's foundation. Since then we have grown into a vibrant, modern and multi-cultural institution which is one of the fastest growing universities in Australia and one of the largest Catholic universities in the English speaking world.

ACU students enjoy our friendly campuses with outstanding student support services. Study areas in the Study Abroad Program include a great range of exciting field trips and practical components that offer you an experience and insight into the Australian lifestyle, culture and environment.

Students undertaking more than one semester of study with us may study each semester at a different campus, provided the selected units are available.

Key dates:

	ACU SEMESTER 1 – Northern Hemisphere (Spring)	ACU SEMESTER 2 – Northern Hemisphere (Autumn/ Fall)	International July School
Orientation	Mid-February	Mid-July	Late June
Semester (teaching weeks)	February-June	July-October	July
Vacation week	April	September	N/A
Exams	June	November	July

The ACU advantage

- Choice of six campuses - Brisbane, Sydney (2), Canberra, Melbourne, Ballarat
- More than 32,000+ students from over 96 countries
- Strong ethics content in courses
- Opportunity to take classes in all four faculties: Education and Arts, Health Sciences, Law and Business, and Theology and Philosophy.
- A strong international focus with over 200 partner institutions across 40 countries
- Competitive Study Abroad fees
- Option of transferring between campuses for students studying one year at ACU



"I chose ACU because it is a University with a good reputation. And the course I'm studying is really interesting."

"When I'm not in class, my favourite thing is to meet up with friends and go to the beach or to the bar and enjoy my time here in Australia meeting people and making new friends from all over the world."

"I would recommend Study Abroad or Exchange at ACU to any of my friends or family back home. It is an amazing experience and I have learned so much here."

Michiel Huisman, Exchange student, VU University (Vrije Universiteit), The Netherlands

WHY ACU?

HISTORY & TRADITION

1

MODERN UNIVERSITY, STRONG TRADITION

ACU was one of the first education providers in Australia

1857

Colleges established in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne Ballarat & Canberra

ACU has its origins in the mid-19th century, when Catholic orders and institutes became involved in preparing teachers for Catholic schools and, later, nurses for Catholic hospitals

1991

Merger of colleges to create ACU

ACU celebrates 25 years & is one of Australia's fastest growing universities

2015

ACU is now the largest Catholic university in the English-speaking world & is ranked in the world's top 10%*.

* University Ranking by Academic Performance (URAP).

LOCATION & LIFESTYLE

2

MULTICULTURAL

32,000+ students in total

9% international students

96 nationalities

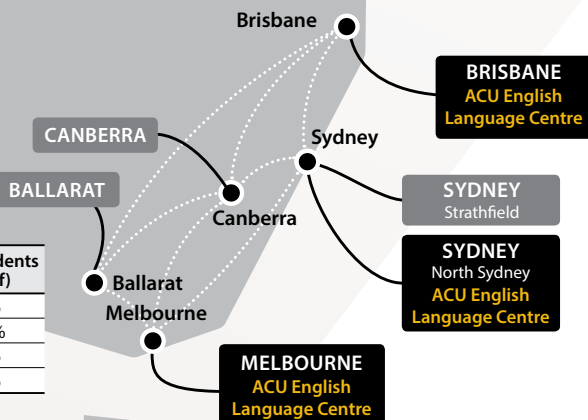
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CHOICE OF LOCATION

Study in six of the most exciting cities in Australia.

State	City	All students	Int. students (% of)
QLD	Brisbane	5,738	7%
NSW	Sydney	10,850	13%
VIC	Melbourne/Ballarat	11,037	9%
ACT	Canberra	1,204	4%

As at March 2016



QUALITY

4

INTERNSHIPS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Our Study Abroad Plus program gives you the option to work with a business or community organisation for credit as part of your Study Abroad program. Gain valuable professional experience and get a much greater understanding of the local communities.

5

CONNECTED

Enrolled students receive FREE internet access through ACU's wired & wireless networks at speeds of up to 54 Mbps. ACU Library also participates in reciprocal borrowing schemes that allow students to borrow from other universities across Australia.

OUR CAMPUSES

ACU CANBERRA

CAMPUS – SIGNADOU

City population - 389,000+
ACU student population - 1,204
(including 4% international students)

Canberra, the national capital, is an international city with more than 70 diplomatic missions. For students, Canberra provides excellent facilities for study including access to the National Library, the largest in Australia. For bicycling enthusiasts, Canberra's well-planned bike paths make this a great way to get around. Canberra has warm, dry summers and cold winters.

Conveniently located only five kilometres from the city centre and well-served by public transport, Signadou is one of ACU's smaller campuses. With approximately 55 friendly staff on site, students thrive in an intimate, welcoming campus environment. Campus facilities include a swimming pool, canteen, computer labs and a chapel.

www.acu.edu.au/canberra



ACU BALLARAT

CAMPUS – AQUINAS

City population - 150,000 +
ACU student population - 948
(including 5% international students)

Ballarat is a picturesque rural town located in the Central Highlands Region of Victoria, approximately 110 kilometres north-west of Melbourne (75-minute drive). It is one of Victoria's most popular provincial destinations. Ballarat has a safe and peaceful environment, an informal and friendly local community, and a cosmopolitan atmosphere with some wonderful restaurants and cafes, a thriving arts scene and many festivals and events to celebrate local wine, food, history and music. What marks the town, though, is its rich historical heritage – as the centre of Australia's 19th century goldrush, the town has stunning architecture, heritage listed buildings and magnificent statues. Ballarat has a similar climate to Melbourne with slightly cooler temperatures in winter. The campus, which is set in beautiful gardens, is near the commercial centre of Ballarat and within easy reach of facilities. The small campus is a cheerful place for students to meet, study and socialise. With over 940 students, the campus offers quality teaching facilities including simulated nursing labs, computer labs, library, canteen, visual art rooms, gallery, bookshop and gym as well as dedicated student accommodation.

www.acu.edu.au/ballarat



SYDNEY

ACU student population - 10,850 (including 13% international students)

Sydney, the state capital of New South Wales, is Australia's largest and oldest city. A much sought-after destination, Sydney has everything going for it – fantastic weather, beautiful landscape, interesting neighbourhoods and impressive architecture.

Best known through pictures and photographs for its stunning harbour spanned by an equally impressive bridge, the dazzling Opera House, nearby mountains, golden beaches with plenty of surf and plenty of great restaurants, bars and nightlife, Sydney is Australia's international darling. It is the home of one of the world's most diverse societies, and its people come together to create a rich fabric of cultural life. Be it Chinese newspapers, Lebanese, Thai and Korean restaurants, Greek Orthodox churches or English, Irish and Italian traditions – in Sydney you will find it all. Sydney has a strong outdoor culture as well as a vibrant arts scene with world-class galleries, theatre, dance and, of course, the Sydney Opera House.

For more information about Sydney, visit:
www.sydney.com

ACU NORTH SYDNEY

CAMPUS – MACKILLOP

A five-minute train ride over the famous Sydney Harbour Bridge from Sydney's city centre, the campus is conveniently located in the North Sydney business precinct. North Sydney campus life is centred around a large outdoor courtyard and student recreational

area where students congregate between classes. The campus is small, multicultural and friendly, and is accessible by excellent bus and train services.

www.acu.edu.au/northsydney

ACU STRATHFIELD





CAMPUS – MOUNT ST MARY

Situated in one of the older, established suburbs in Sydney, the Strathfield campus is located 15 kilometres west of the Sydney city centre. It is only a 20-minute train ride from the city centre, and an eight-minute trip on the ACU shuttle bus from Strathfield train station. Historic buildings and beautifully landscaped grounds make an attractive and stimulating place to study. Rugby and soccer ovals, a cricket pitch and a central lawn provide a common meeting space and an area for student activities all year around.

www.acu.edu.au/strathfield

Climate

- ✦ Lies within the temperate zone and enjoys a moderate climate unlike other parts of Australia – neither too hot nor too cold.
- ✦ Enjoys more than 300 sunny days in a year and an average annual rainfall of approximately 1,210mm.

SEASONS		Avg. max. °C (°F)	Avg. min. °C (°F)
	SUMMER Dec–Feb	26.1 (79)	19.2 (67)
	AUTUMN Mar–May	23.1 (74)	15.3 (60)
	WINTER Jun–Aug	18.1 (65)	9.4 (49)
	SPRING Sep–Nov	22.6 (73)	14.2 (58)

Source: Bureau of Meteorology. Data reflects average temperatures recorded from 1981–2010.



City population -
over 4.8 million



Population of NSW -
over 7.59 million





MELBOURNE





Melbourne, the state capital of Victoria, is a rich and culturally vibrant city. Recent surveys have established that approximately 40 per cent of Melbourne's population was born outside of Australia in more than 130 other countries. The ethnic diversity of Melbourne's population greatly influences the lifestyle of people living here.

Be it cuisine, shopping, the arts or outdoor life, there is plenty to occupy yourself with. Melbourne is famous for an inexhaustible variety of restaurants and cafes that will satisfy every taste and fit any pocket. Boutique stores line the city and suburban streets, defining the original character of the city. The juxtaposition of stunning architecture, from traditional Victorian to funky post-modern, emulates Melbourne's character as a true 'melting pot'. Theatres, art galleries, museums, street artists, clubs, literary events, interest-groups and festivals give the city a vibrant creative scene. Parks and gardens create a soothing sense of space. 'Melburnians' love to commute by trams that criss-cross the city, while cycling is equally popular.

For more information about Melbourne, visit:
www.visitmelbourne.com

Climate

- Known for having four seasons in one day, weather can vary from a wet morning to a sunny afternoon and mild evening. Melbourne has warm dry summers and cool wet winters.

SEASONS		Avg. max. °C (°F)	Avg. min. °C (°F)
	SUMMER Dec–Feb	25.3 (78)	13.2 (58)
	AUTUMN Mar–May	20.3 (69)	10.4 (51)
	WINTER Jun–Aug	13.7 (57)	5.9 (43)
	SPRING Sep–Nov	19.3 (67)	8.6 (47)

Source: Bureau of Meteorology. Data reflects average temperatures recorded from 1981–2010.

ACU MELBOURNE

CAMPUS – ST PATRICK'S

ACU student population - 10,089, (including 10% international students)

ACU's Melbourne campus is conveniently located close to Melbourne's Central Business District (CBD). It is a short walk from the popular and bustling Brunswick Street and Smith Street, known best for their cafes, shops and art galleries. The main campus building is a multi-storey complex that provides students and staff with purpose-built facilities. It is a modern, compact study environment that bustles with activity. A new \$75 million building opened at the Melbourne Campus at the end of 2012. Aiming for a 6 Green Star Energy rating, the National Centre for Health and Wellbeing incorporates rainwater harvesting and wind turbines as part of ACU's environmentally sustainable initiatives. It also includes state-of-the-art learning facilities, a gym, bookshop, chapel, student centre and rooftop garden.

www.acu.edu.au/melbourne



City population -
over 4.4 million



Population of VIC -
over 5.91 million





BRISBANE





Brisbane is Australia's fastest-growing city and the state capital of Queensland. As with the rest of Queensland, Brisbane is well known for its coastline and sunny blue skies. The city's climate lends itself to a cosmopolitan outdoor lifestyle. From parklands and botanical gardens to a relaxed and friendly city with shopping centres, art galleries and restaurants, it has something for everyone.

Brisbane is near the coast and close to the world-famous Surfers Paradise stretch of coastland. Living in Queensland means you are not far away from the world's most lush rainforests and stunning tropical reefs including the Great Barrier Reef.

For more information about Brisbane, visit:
www.studybrisbane.com.au

Climate

- Warm year round, with an annual average of eight hours of sunshine each day and an average of 245 clear sunny days each year.
- November to March: average rainfall of about 1,400mm annually, majority of which falls in the summer.

SEASONS	Avg. max. °C (°F)	Avg. min. °C (°F)
 SUMMER Dec–Feb	29.8 (86)	21 (70)
 AUTUMN Mar–May	26.8 (80)	16.9 (62)
 WINTER Jun–Aug	22.3 (72)	10.5 (51)
 SPRING Sep–Nov	26.7 (80)	16.1 (61)

Source: Bureau of Meteorology. Data reflects average temperatures recorded from 1981–2010.

ACU BRISBANE

CAMPUS – MCAULEY

ACU student population - 5,738
(including 7% international students)

Situated in the northern suburb of Banyo, the ACU campus is set on 40 hectares of beautifully landscaped grounds and historic buildings. Facilities include landscaped parklands, indigenous garden, swimming pool and gymnasium. The campus is located just 12 kilometres from the centre of Brisbane and one kilometre from the Banyo train station. It is easily accessible by public transport and by the ACU shuttle bus which is free to all students.

www.acu.edu.au/brisbane



City population -
over 2.27 million



Population of QLD -
over 4.76 million





Miguel Cordero Residence, Sydney



Photo: Semester in Australia

LIVING IN AUSTRALIA

ACU's six campuses are situated across five cities, with various housing options available to suit different lifestyles and budgets. Housing options include:

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

Specialised student apartment accommodation is available near most ACU campuses. With this kind of accommodation, the fees you pay usually cover utility bills and, in many cases, wi-fi access. For more information please visit: www.acu.edu.au/int_accom

Semester in Australia

Semester in Australia is a provider of student accommodation that offers guaranteed places to ACU Study Abroad and Exchange students. For more information please visit: www.semesterinaustralia.com/acu

HOMESTAY

Homestay accommodation gives you the opportunity to live with a local family while studying in Australia. It is available from a few weeks to many months. By living with

an Australian family, you will get a better understanding of Australian life. For more information please visit:

www.homestaynetwork.org/acu-students

RENTAL ACCOMMODATION (SHARED AND PRIVATE)

Temporary housing

You may like to book short-term accommodation for your arrival in Australia, particularly for the first one or two weeks. This option provides you with housing on arrival and gives you the opportunity to search for permanent accommodation once you have settled in. www.acu.edu.au/int_accom

Private/shared housing

You should budget approximately A\$150-\$300 per week to rent a property shared with others. Utilities and food are not included in this estimate. Rental prices vary depending on location. You may choose to live in private rental accommodation near your campus or in the city, depending on your budget. We do not recommend securing private or shared housing before arriving in Australia as it is best to view each property in person. www.acu.edu.au/int_accom

ACU STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

ACU student accommodation is available in Sydney for students who wish to stay for 6 or 12 months. The *Miguel Cordero Residence* is located in the student hub of Camperdown, which is very close to Sydney's city centre. It offers an enriching university experience and the chance to make lifelong friendships.

This residence features furnished apartments in a secure building, communal lounges, study spaces and an atrium meeting place, public transport access to North Sydney and Strathfield campuses, onsite management team and high-speed internet. For more information please visit: www.acu.edu.au/490012

Please note: reference to any specific company or services is for the information and convenience of students/visitors and does not constitute endorsement, recommendation or favouring by ACU.



find suitable permanent accommodation.

For more information visit:

www.acu.edu.au/int_living_costs

OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER

The Australian government requires all international student visa holders and their dependants to obtain health insurance for the duration of their visas. If you are not a student visa holder, you do not need Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

For more information please visit:

www.acu.edu.au/453135

Please note: OSHC will not cover any pre-existing conditions (i.e. those which existed within 18 months before the student began study). The university's preferred OSHC provider is Allianz Global Assistance: www.oshcallianzassistance.com.au

LIVING COSTS

ONGOING EXPENSES/ ITEMS	COST PER WEEK IN \$AUD
Accommodation	\$150-300+
Food	\$60-100+
Transport	\$15-40+
Extras	\$50-80+
Students are also advised to allow a semester budget for books or supplies.	\$400 per semester
Yearly Total	\$15,900 – 28,640+

Please note: All costs are in Australian dollars and can vary greatly depending on location. They are a guide only.

One of the biggest challenges when moving to study in a new country is managing a budget. You can reduce your living costs by:

- ✦ sharing accommodation and meals with other students
- ✦ avoiding suburbs that are close to the CBD or the beach
- ✦ shopping carefully.

Rent is based on sharing a privately rented house. Initial expenses for the first few weeks for temporary accommodation will be higher than those listed in the table, until students

VISAS

You must have a valid visa to enter and study in Australia. You may use a Visitor's Visa to undertake up to 12 weeks of study. A Working Holiday Visa or Work and Holiday Visa will allow you to study up to 16 weeks. If you intend to study for a longer period, you will need a student visa. For more information on how to apply and what visa types might be suitable for you, please contact your nearest Consulate, Australian Embassy or High Commission which you can find at:

www.border.gov.au

EMPLOYMENT

Under Australian immigration regulations, international students with a student visa may work up to 40 hours per fortnight during the term time and full-time during holiday breaks. If you are not a student visa holder you should check the conditions of your visa to see whether you are permitted to work.

Please visit: www.acu.edu.au/564468

For further information on working in Australia see www.border.gov.au

SUPPORT SERVICES

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

Attendance at orientation is essential. You should make every effort to attend.

Orientation will provide you with advice on studying in Australia, and on the conditions of your student visa, it will help you adjust to Australian culture and assist you with academic skills. It will also include tours and events designed to familiarise you with your campus and fellow classmates.

WHILE YOU ARE STUDYING

You will find dedicated ACU international offices in Brisbane, North Sydney and Melbourne. At ACU International, you will be able to access staff who can offer specifically tailored advice for international students. They can also provide information on enrolment, course selection, accommodation and general student visa advice. Across all of our campuses, you will also have access to a network of International Student Advisers who are available to assist and support international students with a variety of issues.

BEYOND YOUR STUDIES

At ACU we aim to maximise your learning and development opportunities and make you feel at home. We offer a number of academic and social support services to ensure that you achieve your academic and personal goals.

For further information about our Support Services, please visit the following:

Academic Skills Support

<https://students.acu.edu.au/academicskills>

ACU Alumni Association

<https://students.acu.edu.au/alumni>

Airport reception

www.acu.edu.au/int_airport

AskACU Centre

<https://acu.service-now.com/kb>

Campus Ministry

<https://students.acu.edu.au/campusministry>

Career Development Service

<https://students.acu.edu.au/careers>

Counselling Service

<https://students.acu.edu.au/counselling>

Disability Services

<https://students.acu.edu.au/disability>

Non-Sporting Clubs, Societies and National Programs

<https://students.acu.edu.au/clubs>

Office of Student Success

https://students.acu.edu.au/services_And_support

Student Advocacy Service

<https://students.acu.edu.au/advocacy>

Student Associations and Clubs

<https://students.acu.edu.au/studentassociations>

Student Life - DiscoverU

https://students.acu.edu.au/student_life

ACU Postgraduate Students Association (ACU PGA)

<https://students.acu.edu.au/806562>



ACU'S INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

The ACU International Mobility Ambassador Program (iMAP) offers Exchange and Study Abroad students the opportunity to polish their communication and inter-cultural skills by promoting ACU's Exchange and Study Abroad program to prospective, current and international students.

Students in this program perform special volunteer duties with the ACU International office allowing them to accrue points to obtain a certificate of completion and a letter of recommendation which they can use for employment purposes.



ACU STUDY OPTIONS

You can study one year, one semester or just 2-4 weeks. ACU can help you find the right program to suit your academic needs. All programs are for academic credit with official ACU transcripts provided to you after the completion of your studies.

More information

Please refer to our website for further information on tuition costs and entry requirements for our Study Abroad and Exchange courses:

www.acu.edu.au/international/59577

For more information about the different courses and fees of our English Preparation courses please visit:

www.acu.edu.au/international/316244

For more information about the International July school, please visit:

www.acu.edu.au/international/july_school

For more information about how to apply for our programs, please visit:

www.acu.edu.au/international/study_abroad_and_exchange/how_do_apply

OPTION 1

STUDENT EXCHANGE

- ✦ Open to students who are enrolled at their home university and whose university is an official exchange partner of ACU. Students must be enrolled full time and pay tuition fees only to their home university (ACU tuition fees do not apply).
- ✦ Applications are submitted on your behalf by your home university once your exchange placement has been approved.

OPTION 2

STUDY ABROAD

- ✦ Open to all students wishing to take one or two semesters of study at ACU. Students must be from a recognised university or college.
- ✦ Students must be enrolled full time and are subject to ACU Study Abroad tuition fees per semester.
- ✦ Applications are submitted directly to ACU or through one of our partner institutions or official Study Abroad Agents.



OPTION 3

STUDY ABROAD +

Unlike our standard Study Abroad program, Study Abroad + allows students to add either a community engagement or internship placement to their academic studies.

+ Internship: Brisbane campus only
+ Community engagement: Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne campus

- ✦ Open to all students wishing to take one or two semesters of study at ACU. Students must be from a recognised university or college.
- ✦ Students must be enrolled full time and are subject to ACU Study Abroad tuition fees per semester - no extra fees apply for the community engagement or internship component.
- ✦ Applications are submitted directly to ACU or through one of our partner institutions or official Study Abroad Agents.
- ✦ Study Abroad plus community engagement combines three weeks of lectures and a 90 hour placement in a not-for-profit community organisation while also being enrolled in two to three academic units.
- ✦ Study Abroad plus internship combination allows you to enrol in two to three academic units while also taking a 120 hour-professional internship at a local company.
- ✦ Both the internship and community engagement units are for credit and will appear on the official ACU transcript.

OPTION 4

ENGLISH PREPARATION

- ✦ Open to students who do not meet the English eligibility requirements for the Study Abroad and Exchange program or for students who simply want to improve their English before beginning their academic semester.
- ✦ Courses include General English, IELTS Preparation and English for Academic Purposes.
- ✦ Most programs run for 10 to 20 weeks but the length of the course can vary depending on your English proficiency.
- ✦ Students can choose this as a stand alone program or undertake it prior to a standard Study Abroad semester.

OPTION 5

INTERNATIONAL JULY SCHOOL - SYDNEY

- ✦ Open to both Exchange and Study Abroad students, The International July School allows students to enrol at ACU for 2 weeks and complete one of our most interesting units.
- ✦ The program includes an orientation and social program, and accommodation packages are available.
- ✦ Students who are doing a full semester of Exchange or Study Abroad can join the International July School before or after their semester studies. For more information visit:
www.acu.edu.au/international/july_school



WHAT CAN I STUDY?

Studying Abroad at ACU offers you a fabulous range of units to choose from. Students have the opportunity to take classes from any of our four faculties provided they meet all of the necessary pre-requisites.

Each campus is different with not all study areas offered on each campus.

Please note: Classes are subject to change and unit availability may vary each semester.

KEY

BALLARAT = BALL

BRISBANE = BRIS

CANBERRA = CAN

MELBOURNE = MELB

NORTH SYDNEY = N SYD

STRATHFIELD = STRAT

Faculty of Education and Arts

Australian Studies	BRIS		STRAT		
Communication	BRIS	MELB	STRAT		
Digital Media		MELB			
Digital Journalism	BRIS	MELB			
Drama	BRIS	MELB	STRAT		
Early Childhood	BRIS	MELB	STRAT	CAN	BALL
Economics		MELB	STRAT		
Family Studies		MELB			
Geography			STRAT		
Global Studies		MELB	STRAT		
History	BRIS	MELB	STRAT		
International Development		MELB	STRAT		
Literature	BRIS	MELB	STRAT		
Mathematics		MELB	STRAT		
Music	BRIS	MELB			
Politics		MELB			
Sociology	BRIS	MELB	STRAT		
Teaching	BRIS	MELB	STRAT	CAN	BALL
Technology			STRAT		
Visual Arts and Design	BRIS	MELB	STRAT		
Youth Work		MELB			

The Faculty of Education and Arts offers students a range of highly regarded programs taught by dedicated, well-qualified staff, who are committed to student-centred teaching and the pursuit of academic excellence.

"... fantastic high educational environment and facilities"

Man Pan Leong, Bachelor of Visual Arts and Design

Faculty of Health Sciences

Biomedical Science	BRIS	MELB		N SYD		
Counselling	BRIS	MELB	STRAT			
Exercise Science	BRIS	MELB	STRAT			
Nursing	BRIS	MELB		N SYD	CAN	BALL
Psychology	BRIS	MELB	STRAT			
Public Health	BRIS	MELB		N SYD		
Social Work	BRIS		STRAT			

We have a vision to be recognised for outstanding courses that supply caring, prepared and qualified graduates. All students have field and clinical experience that is supervised by specially qualified practitioners.

"ACU creates a relaxing atmosphere to study and provides help with nursing practice in local hospitals."

Rouslan Izmailov, Bachelor of Nursing

Faculty of Law and Business

Accounting	BRIS	MELB	N SYD
Financial Services			N SYD
Business Administration	BRIS	MELB	N SYD
Commercial Law		MELB	N SYD
Human Resource Management	BRIS	MELB	N SYD
Business Information Systems			N SYD
Marketing	BRIS	MELB	N SYD
Law		MELB	N SYD

The Faculty offers a diverse range of law and business courses. Our programs are designed to equip you with the business and leadership skills required for the changing demands of the contemporary business environment.

"All the staff who work on the campus are friendly and always ready to help. What surprised me the most was that my lecturers were calling me by my first name!"

Marion Vernet, France, Faculty of Law and Business Graduate

Faculty of Theology and Philosophy

Theological Studies	BRIS	MELB	STRAT	CAN	BALL
Study of Religions	BRIS	MELB	STRAT	CAN	BALL
Philosophy	BRIS	MELB	STRAT	CAN	BALL

We take great pride in the quality of our teaching and our courses. Our goal is to foster a love for the academic disciplines of Theology and Philosophy, but also to provide professional and executive education for current and aspiring leaders.

"All the lecturers that I have met are experts in their fields and they really know how to teach. I have enjoyed my study of Theology at ACU."

Chukwudi Chinenye Chinaka, Bachelor of Theology

ACU English Language Centres

English for Academic Purposes	BRIS	MELB	N SYD
IELTS Test Preparation	BRIS	MELB	N SYD
General English	BRIS	MELB	N SYD
English for the Workplace	BRIS		

ACU has accredited English Language Centres in Melbourne, North Sydney and Brisbane. All ELICOS courses are taught on campus and students have access to all university facilities, including library and wi-fi.

"The teachers are very friendly. They teach us not only English but also how to do a presentation, how to write an academic essay, how to tackle an assignment – I'm very happy."

Jahed Khan, English for Academic Purposes

Academic progress

A student's enrolment in a course may be deferred, suspended or cancelled in accordance with University regulations. These regulations are detailed in the yearly handbook, accessible via:

www.acu.edu.au/142401



ACADEMIC INFORMATION

The Study Abroad and Exchange program at ACU is flexible, allowing you to enrol in units from different areas of study, enhancing your academic experience even more. Whether they are core classes or electives, you can select what's right for you. All Study Abroad and Exchange students must be enrolled as a full-time student for the length of their program. Students undertaking a full year of study must successfully complete their first semester in order to continue with their second semester. These regulations are detailed in the yearly handbook, accessible via: www.acu.edu.au/142401

At ACU a normal full-time load for one semester is four units (40 credit points). Enrolment in more than four units will attract additional fees. The minimum allowable enrolment for students is three units (30 credit points).

TERMINOLOGY

ACADEMIC TERMINOLOGY		
Course	The program of study	e.g. Bachelor of Business
Unit	The individual unit of study taken as part of a course. Sometimes referred to as class, subject or module	e.g. MKTG100 - Principles of Marketing

Sample comparison of credit points system:

ACU	ECTS	USA
1 Unit = 10 credit points	7.5 credits	3-4 credit hours

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT OF RESULTS

At the completion of your semester or year abroad, a transcript is automatically issued by the University and includes details of grades achieved.

EXPLANATION OF GRADES

Student performance in scheduled units is recorded using the following system:

ACU GRADE	RANGE OF MARKS
High Distinction (HD)	85-100%
Distinction (D)	75-84%
Credit (C)	65-74%
Pass (P)	50-64%
Fail (F)	0-49%

STUDY AND ASSESSMENT METHODS

Methods at Australian universities may differ from those in other countries. Tertiary study is largely autonomous and students are encouraged to develop independent thoughts and ideas. At the same time some units may require group presentations or submissions as part of assessment.

At ACU, students must attend lectures, tutorial classes and seminars, sit for examinations, and undertake practical and field trips as prescribed. (Field trips may incur additional costs above already paid tuition fees).

FINDING THE RIGHT UNIT FOR YOU

Looking for and finding the right unit for you can be a difficult and time consuming process. Be patient! It does take time to review any University Handbook but we are here to help. Please review our unit selection guide on our Study Abroad and Exchange website:

www.acu.edu.au/international/59577



"Many of the people I met were through the international student outings hosted by ACUMates and during international orientation week. That time provided a great opportunity to socialise with other international students going through the same cultural change experience.

I built up friendly relationships with the international student coordinators and met other Australian students through my classes and began branching out my own network of friends.

Successfully completing my course is a huge confidence boost as well as a rich experience."

Martin Harrison, Study Abroad student from South Africa

APPLYING TO ACU

FEES

Exchange students coming to ACU will participate in an established exchange arrangement with an overseas university and are subject to their home institutions' tuition fees. If you are unsure whether your university has an exchange with ACU, please contact your university's International office for more information.

Study Abroad students pay tuition fees directly to ACU for the semester or year they wish to study in Australia. Unlike Exchange students, Study Abroad students can come through either established Study Abroad partners or non-affiliated institutions.

ACU Study Abroad fees are among the most competitive in Australia and are set at the one annual rate regardless of whether you are studying undergraduate or postgraduate units or units across various disciplines.

For current ACU fees please refer to the Schedule of Tuition Fees:

www.acu.edu.au/international/59750

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students from all countries are welcome to apply to the ACU Study Abroad Program. Entry requirements are based on your educational background and English language proficiency. It is also a good idea to speak to your Academic Coordinator at your home institution to ensure that units studied at ACU can be credited back to your course if required.

General requirements:

- ✦ Completion of one full year of study at university level with satisfactory grades.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Please note: some areas of study, like Law, may require higher English scores.

For undergraduate study:

- ✦ IELTS: 6.0; 6.0 for Writing and Speaking; 5.5 for Reading and Listening
- ✦ TOEFL IBT: 79; 22 for Writing
- ✦ TOEFL PBT: 550; 59 for Writing
- ✦ TOEFL CBT: 213; 25 for Writing
- ✦ ACU English Language Test: C
- ✦ Pearson Test of English (PTE): result of 54 with a minimum of 50 in writing and speaking and a minimum of 42 in reading and listening.

For postgraduate study:

- ✦ IELTS: 6.5; 6.0 in all sections
- ✦ TOEFL IBT: 90; 25 for Writing
- ✦ TOEFL PBT: 577; 62 for Writing
- ✦ TOEFL CBT: 233; 26 for Writing
- ✦ ACU English Language Test: B
- ✦ Pearson Test of English (PTE): result of 61 with a minimum of 50 in all sections.

For more information on the English Language requirements please visit:

www.acu.edu.au/international/316244

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Semester 1 – November 15

Semester 2 – May 15

International July School – April 30



APPLICATION STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

1. Study Abroad or Exchange?

Read page 16 to decide which program is right for you.

2. Discuss the Study Abroad program with your home university

Consult with your home university to understand the application and credit requirements of studying abroad. Students from exchange partner universities will also need approval to participate in the exchange.

3. Choose campus and units

Review information in the guide and website to select the appropriate ACU campus and study plan for your program in Australia.

4. Apply to ACU

You can apply to the Study Abroad or Exchange program online at:
www.acu.edu.au/iapply

5. Letter of offer & acceptance

ACU will assess your application within one to two weeks and if you are successful, we will email your official Letter of Offer. This offer letter may come via your Study Abroad Representative at your home university. The Letter of Offer will include specific advice given by the Course Coordinator on unit selection or availability. You will need to return your completed Acceptance Form to ACU to confirm your place.

6. Confirmation of Enrolment

If you have applied for a one or two semester program:

Upon receipt of fees and signed acceptance, the University will issue an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE). This will allow you to apply for a Student Visa online. If you have applied for the International July school, an eCoE is not required.

7. Apply for Student Visa

Students enrolled in the International July School are not required to apply for an Australian student visa. All other students can apply for a Student Visa online or from the nearest Australian High Commission, Consulate, Embassy or Diplomatic Post. Once your student visa has been approved you should finalise your travel arrangements.

8. Pre-departure

The Study Abroad and Exchange Coordinator will send you a Pre-Departure Guide, and provide information regarding accommodation, airport reception and orientation activities. At this stage, ACU will also pre-enrol you in three to four of the pre-approved units listed on your signed acceptance.

9. Arrival and orientation

Arrive in Australia and attend our orientation activities which are compulsory for all students. You will be issued with your student ID and be able to finalise your enrolment.

We look forward to welcoming you!

CONTACT US:

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