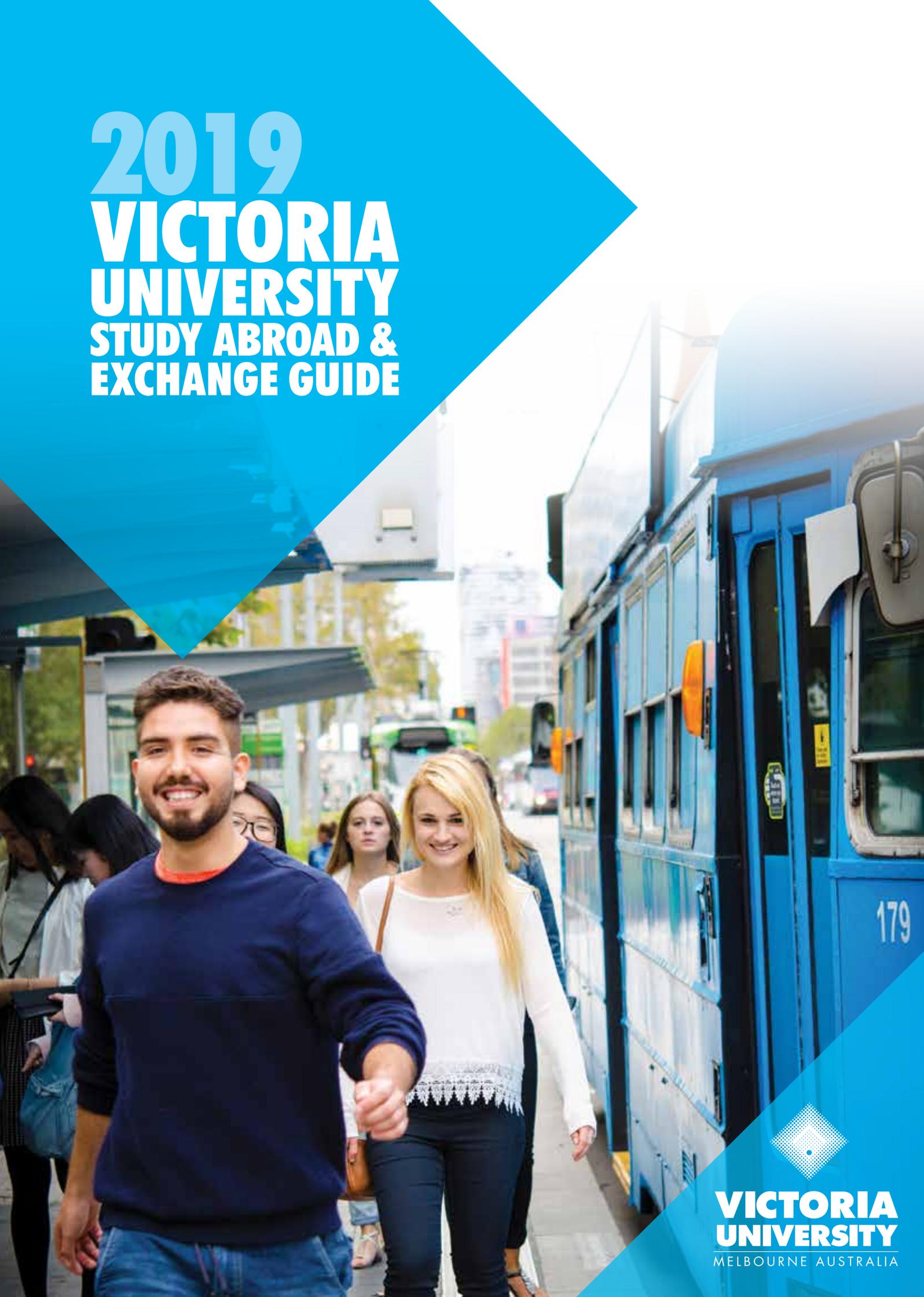


2019 VICTORIA UNIVERSITY STUDY ABROAD & EXCHANGE GUIDE



**VICTORIA
UNIVERSITY**
MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

WELCOME



A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRESIDENT

I am very pleased to introduce you to Victoria University (VU). Located in Melbourne, Australia, VU ranks in the top 2% of universities worldwide (*Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018*).

With more than 100 years of history as an education provider, we are proud to teach 40,000 students.

At VU, we are committed to ensuring you develop the practical skills and knowledge to succeed at university and in your future career.

That's why in 2018 we introduced an Australian-first style of teaching, the First Year Model, to help our undergraduate students succeed by providing a powerfully supportive learning environment in their first year at VU in Melbourne. With student satisfaction, retention and academic achievement dramatically improving, the Block Model will now be rolled out to all undergraduate and postgraduate coursework degrees by 2020.

Our education and research partnerships include universities and organisations throughout Asia, the Americas and Europe.

We have built an international reputation in disciplines as diverse as business, engineering, education, nursing, sports science, information systems and transport and logistics.

We believe the achievement of our students is demonstrated by their employability, entrepreneurship and leadership capability in a local and global context. We are creating leaders of the future.

Thank you for considering VU for your studies and I hope to welcome you in 2019.

Professor Peter Dawkins

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Dawkins".

Vice-Chancellor and President

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OUR CREDENTIALS

Ranking in the top 2% of universities worldwide, Victoria University is a world-class university. Our reputation for excellence is entrenched in our commitment to providing innovative, high-quality education for all students.



TOP 2%
of universities worldwide
Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018

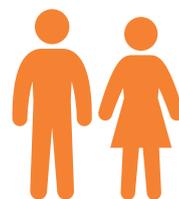


#53 in world's top
250 universities under 50 years
Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2018



Our English language centre ranks #2 in Australia and #5 in the world
i-graduate ELT Barometer 2018

#46 in the world
in Hospitality and Tourism Management
ShanghaiRanking Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2018



40,000
ENROLLED STUDENTS
domestic and international

1st 
and only Australian university teaching
university degrees one subject at a time

60+ student clubs
and societies

151-175
in Computer Science
*Times Higher Education
World University Rankings
by Subject 2018*



151-175
in Engineering and Technology
*Times Higher Education
World University Rankings
by Subject 2018*



STUDY IN MELBOURNE



World's most liveable city 7 years in a row

Economist Intelligence Unit
Global Liveability Ranking
2011-2017



TOP 3

Best Student City

QS Best Student Cities 2018



**Melbourne Cup
Carnival**



**Melbourne
Food & Wine
Festival**



Formula 1
Australian Grand Prix



**1 of 28 UNESCO
Cities of Literature**

**Sporting Capital
of the World**



SportBusiness Ultimate Sport City of the Decade 2016



Melbourne is located
in Australia - the **WORLD'S
SAFEST COUNTRY** for women
2018 Global Wealth Migration Review



**Melbourne
International
Comedy Festival**



**Melbourne
Fashion Week**

DISCOVER MELBOURNE

Melbourne has been ranked the world's most liveable city for the past seven years (Economist Intelligence Unit), and consistently in the world's top five best cities for international students (QS Best Student Cities Student Survey 2018).



AUSTRALIA'S BEST STUDENT CITY

Latest figures show there are 175,000 international students from 192 nationalities living and studying in Victoria. Students from over 100 nationalities currently study at VU, making it one of Australia's most culturally diverse institutions.

studymelbourne.vic.gov.au

MULTICULTURAL MELBOURNE

With a diverse melting pot of nationalities, Melbourne is home to large Chinese, Greek, Italian, Indian and Vietnamese communities. A truly international city, Melbourne hosts a full calendar of events and festivals to embrace ethnicity and diversity.

MELBOURNE FOOD SCENE

Melbourne is acclaimed for its spectacular and international selection of culinary delights, offering everything from world-class restaurants to secret bars and cafes along Melbourne's famous laneways.

Discover our cultural food precincts:

- **Footscray:** in the west of Melbourne and where our Footscray Park and Footscray Nicholson campuses are located, Footscray is a feast of global proportions with many cuisines to tempt your tastebuds, including African, Vietnamese and Ethiopian.
- **Chinatown:** minutes from our City Flinders campus, Chinatown is a major tourist attraction and home to a variety of restaurants offering cuisines from China, Thailand, Japan, Malaysia, Korea and more.
- **Lygon Street, Carlton:** known as Little Italy, Lygon Street has more than 100 restaurants, bars and cafés serving everything from pizza and pasta to gelato and cassata.
- **Lonsdale Street, central business district:** for Greek-style cakes, pastries and other popular desserts, Melbourne's Greek precinct is bursting with choices.
- **Victoria Street, Abbotsford:** a short tram ride from the city, Victoria Street is a bustling stretch of traditional Vietnamese eateries, bakers, butchers, fishmongers and grocers.
- **Foster Street, Dandenong:** known as Little India, Foster Street dazzles visitors with beaded saris, beautiful clothing and unique jewellery from numerous fashion outlets, and an array of Punjabi sweets and authentic spices.

THE CITY OF WONDER

Melbourne is renowned for its entertainment and creativity. Whether night or day, you can attend events in art, fashion, theatre, comedy, sport, food and wine, discover museums and galleries or relax at a café. The city is also a shopper's delight, with hundreds of global brands and unique local boutiques.

visitmelbourne.com

WORLD SPORTS CAPITAL

The Sporting Capital of the Decade (SportBusiness Ultimate Sport City Awards 2016), Victoria hosts some of the biggest and best international events including Australian Open Tennis, Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix, the Melbourne Cup, international cricket matches and the Rip Curl Pro Bells Beach World Tour surfing competition.

Watch some of the greatest sporting events at Melbourne's world-class sport and entertainment precinct, located just minutes from our City Flinders campus, or participate by joining a local sporting club.

visitmelbourne.com

VICTORIA AND BEYOND

Melbourne is the capital city of Victoria, and within hours of the city you can discover the Great Ocean Road, home to the iconic 12 Apostles.

You can also see the Little Penguins at Phillip Island, marvel at the panoramic Grampians or refine your tastes in the Yarra Valley, Victoria's famous wine region. Beyond Victoria, Australia offers a range of exciting destinations. If travelling interstate, many airlines offer discount airfares, making travelling to some of our world-renowned tourist destinations more affordable.

visitvictoria.com

WEATHER

Melbourne's climate provides four distinct seasons, although it is often remarked you can experience four seasons in one day! The average summer temperature is 26°C, autumn and spring is 20°C and winter 14°C.

bom.gov.au



STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE

Broaden your education by studying one or more semesters at VU.



UNITS OF STUDY

In some countries, “units” are known as courses, subjects or modules. At VU, “units” are the components of a “course” or program of study.

A collection of specific units constitutes a complete course of study, or qualification. You will have a wide choice of units across our academic colleges:

- Arts and Education
- Business
- Engineering and Science
- Health and Biomedicine
- Law and Justice
- Sport and Exercise Science
- VU College

DEVELOPING YOUR SCHEDULE

Some units may not be available for the semester you wish to study. Current timetables are available each semester (see link below), refer to current timetables as an indication of which units will be available during your intended semester at VU.

Timetables will be available in November for the first semester of the following year (late February – early June), in May for the second semester (late July – November), and September for the November trimester (PG business only). Check the timetables at:

vu.edu.au/timetables

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 from VU.

SELECTING YOUR UNITS

When you select your units, be aware that some have specific prerequisites or other entry requirements. You can check the prerequisites of any units you nominate by visiting the online handbook:

vu.edu.au/units/search

You are required to nominate six units in order of preference. These units must be approved by your home institution. Once you have arrived at VU you will be enrolled in a minimum of three units. Four units (48 credit points) is the normal full-time study load.

In 2019, we will begin the introduction of the Block Model of delivery for Year 2, Year 3, and Year 4 units. Please see the following page for how this may affect your selection of units.

VALUE OF UNITS

Credit equivalencies for a semester of full-time study:

PLACE OF STUDY	EQUIVALENT
Victoria University	48 credits
USA	12-15 credits
Canada	15 credits
UK	60 credits or 30 ECTS
Europe	30 ECTS
Japan	15 credits

UNIT DELIVERY MODES

In 2019, VU's units will be taught using two different delivery methods: Traditional Model and Block Model. When choosing your units you will need to pay attention to whether they are delivered in Traditional Model or in Block Model.

For 2019, the Block Model will apply to all Year 1 units and many units from Years 2 and 3 of our degrees; the Traditional Model of delivery will apply to units from Years 2 and 3 of our degrees that have not yet been converted to the Block Model.

You will need to choose either Block Model or Traditional Model units. It is not possible to undertake both Traditional Model and Block Model units at the same time.

TRADITIONAL MODEL

This is the standard model of delivery that most universities worldwide use: you study multiple subjects at the same time, and study each of them for an entire semester. At VU, this is usually studying three or four units. In 2019, units yet to be converted to the Block Model will be delivered using this model.

BLOCK MODEL

In 2018, Victoria University became the first and only university in Australia to introduce a new Block Model of teaching that will be rolled out to all undergraduate and postgraduate coursework degrees by 2020.



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.

Tuition fees are payable to VU. For more information, please contact Victoria Abroad at:

educationabroad@vu.edu.au

Student Exchange Program

You qualify as an exchange student if:

- you are enrolled at one of VU's international exchange partners; and
- you are nominated by your home university.

No fees are payable to VU: your home institution's fees will apply.

Our international exchange partners can be viewed at:

vu.edu.au/study-at-vu/study-abroad-exchange-in-melbourne

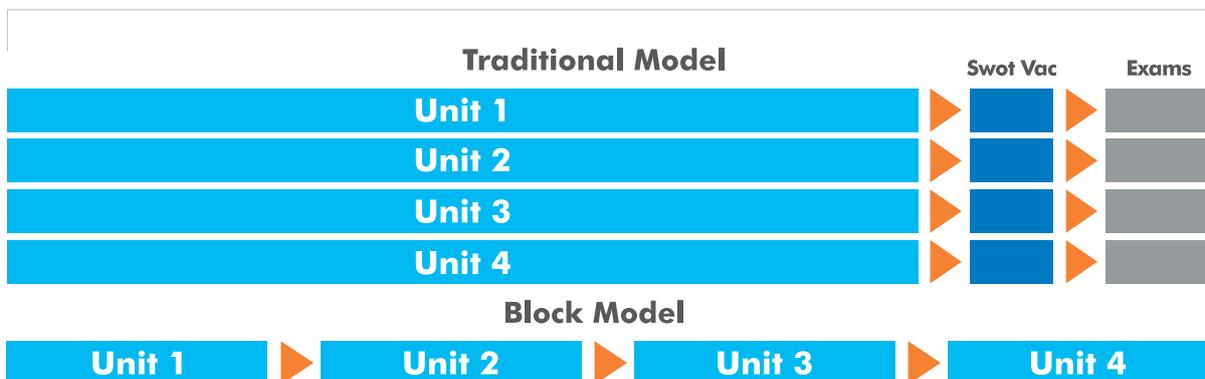
Under the model, students study sequential four-week units rather than juggling multiple subjects at the same time. In 2019, units that have been converted to Block Model delivery will be available in this format.

While an Australian first exclusive to VU, the Block Model of teaching has already been proven internationally in progressive educational institutions in places such as Sweden, Canada and the United States.

Our Block Model provides:

- block-style teaching so you can focus on one subject at a time
- personalised learning – no more large lecture theatres
- interactive activities with a focus on hands-on problem-solving
- one academic per unit, allowing you to get to know one teacher
- smaller class sizes so you can build friendships with your classmates
- fast feedback so you can track your progress before your next unit
- extra support such as peer mentoring, academic workshops and career preparation.

One Semester



When you choose your units, you will need to be careful to not mix Traditional Model and Block Model units. Our online application system EAAMS will assist you with this when you choose your units. Even if you do make a mistake, we'll help you to fix this before you enrol.

STUDY AREAS AND USEFUL INFORMATION



ARTS

- Australian Indigenous Studies
- Gender Studies
- History
- Languages: Vietnamese
- Literary Studies
- Political Science
- Sociology

ARTS – PERFORMING, CREATIVE

- Music
- Professional and Creative Writing
- Visual Arts

BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

- Accounting
- Banking and Finance
- Event Management
- Finance
- Hospitality
- Human Resources Management
- International Trade
- Management and Innovation
- Marketing
- Tourism
- Supply Chain and Logistics Management

COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA

- Communications
- Digital Media
- Screen Media

EDUCATION (TEACHING)

- Education

ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

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

ENVIRONMENT

- Ecology and Environmental Management

HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

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

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- Web and Mobile Application Development
- Computer Science
- Information Systems
- Mathematics

LAW

- Criminal Justice Studies
- Law

NUTRITION

- Nutrition and Food Science

PSYCHOLOGY

- Psychology

SCIENCE

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

SPORT

- Outdoor Education
- Recreation Management
- Sport Management
- Sport Engineering
- Sports Science

IMPORTANT DATES

Application closing dates

Semester 1/Trimester 1 2019

Deadline 18 January 2019

Semester 2/Trimester 1 2019

Deadline 14 June 2019

Trimester 3 (PG business only)

Deadline 4 October 2019

Semester dates (all areas, except PG business)

Semester 1 2019

25 February – 24 May

Exam period 27 May – 21 June

Semester 2 2019

22 July – 18 October

Exam period 27 October – 15

November

Trimester dates (PG business only)

Trimester 1 2019

4 March – 31 May

Exam period 3 June – 17 June

Trimester 2 2019

15 July – 4 October

Exam period 7 October – 18 October

Trimester 3 2019

4 November – 24 January 2020

Exam period 27 January 2020 –

7 February 2020

HEALTH INSURANCE

All international students require health insurance whilst studying in Australia.

The type you require is determined by the type of visa you require.

Student visas

It is a condition of your student visa that you have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the entire duration of your stay in Australia. OSHC gives you access to out-of-hospital and in-hospital medical services.

Allianz Global Assistance is the preferred provider for OSHC; the University has negotiated special rates for VU students who apply for the 'Essentials' cover, and additional inclusions beyond the standard policy coverage. New policies for OSHC in 2018 commence at A\$275 for a single adult for 5 months.

If you wish to arrange health insurance through your education agent or another provider, you should carefully compare the premium fee and the items covered by the insurance, since some health insurance policies do not cover all expenses that you may incur in the course of medical treatment that the VU-organised policy covers.

vu.edu.au/study-at-vu/how-to-apply/internationalapplicants/organise-health-cover

Working holiday visas

Allianz Global Assistance is also the preferred provider for Overseas Visitors Health Cover (OVHC). Only students entering Australia on a working holiday visa can purchase this type of cover.

ovhcallianzassist.com.au

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. Test results 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 language requirements, you can undertake an intensive course at Victoria University English (VUE):

vu.edu.au/vu-english

CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT (COE)

A CoE 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. If you are not applying for a student visa, you will not require a CoE.

HOW TO APPLY

Follow the steps on pages 18/19 of this guide to find out how to apply for our Study Abroad or Exchange programs.

REFUND POLICY

Find information about VU's refund policy at:

vu.edu.au/international-refunds

WORK WHILE YOU STUDY

Student visa holders can work a maximum of 40 hours per fortnight (two weeks) when their course is in session and unlimited hours when their course is not in session.

For information on work rights which relate to the Working Holiday Visa please visit the Department of Home Affairs website:

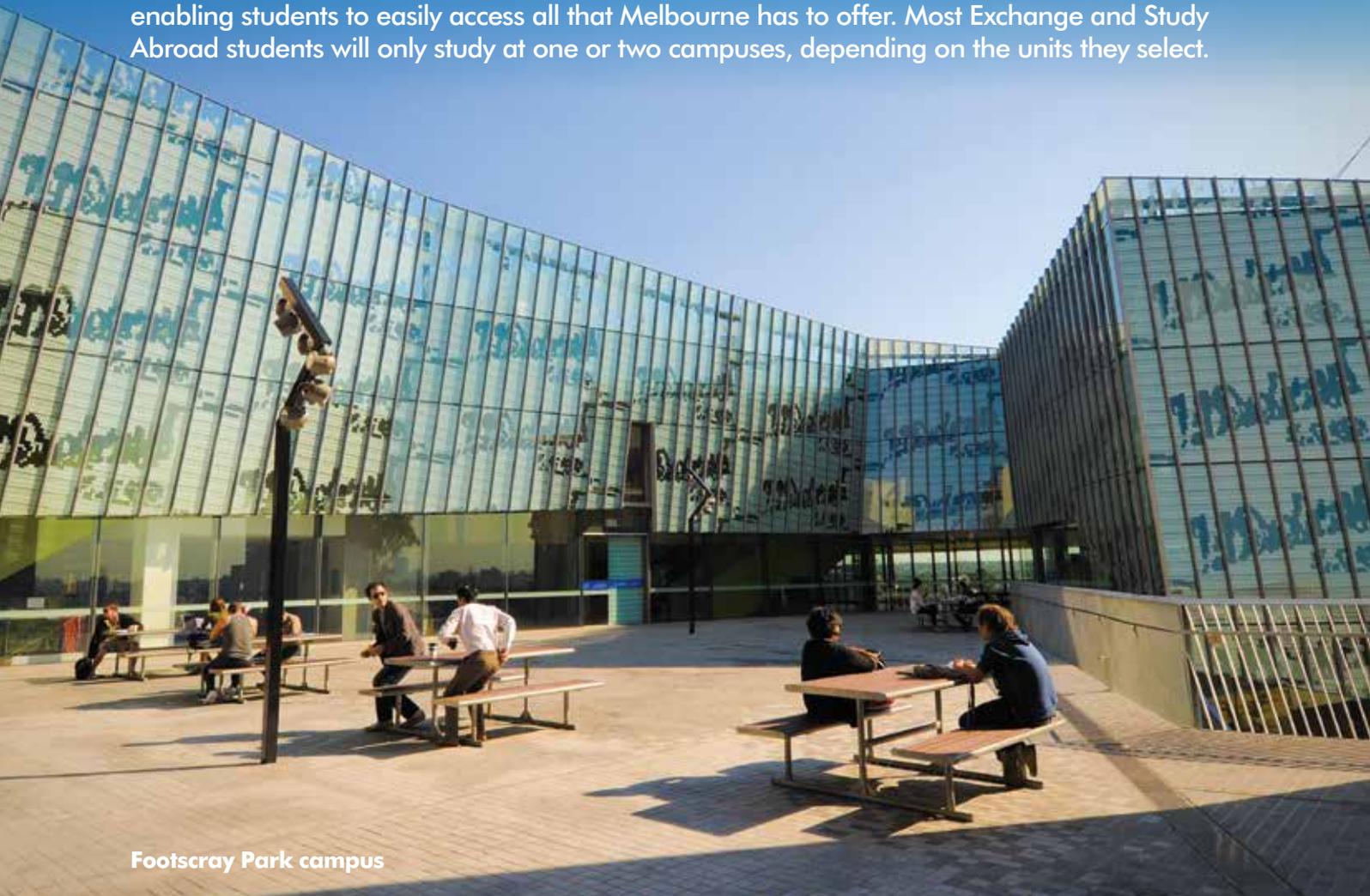
homeaffairs.gov.au

EXAMINATION METHOD	BACHELOR	POSTGRADUATE
IELTS (Academic Module): Overall score (no band less than)	6.0 (6.0)	6.5 (6.0)
TOEFL Internet: Test score (no section score less than)	67 (Listening 12, Speaking 18, Reading 15, Writing 21)	79 (Listening 19, Speaking 19, Reading 18, Writing 22)
Pearson Test of English (PTE): Overall score (no section score less than)	50–57 (50)	58–64 (50)
Cambridge English– Advanced (CAE): Overall CAE score (no band less than)	169 (169)	176 (169)
DAAD English Proficiency Test: In all four sections	B	B

Applicants should refer to: vu.edu.au/apply-international for the required individual test scores.

CAMPUSES

VU has six campuses at which Exchange and Study Abroad students study. Two of these campuses are located in the CBD and another two are within 10km of the city centre, enabling students to easily access all that Melbourne has to offer. Most Exchange and Study Abroad students will only study at one or two campuses, depending on the units they select.



Footscray Park campus

FOOTSCRAY PARK

Our largest campus, Footscray Park, features fantastic facilities and provides a great student experience. Located in Melbourne's multicultural hub of Footscray, the campus is only 10 minutes by train from the city. Footscray Station and UniLodge @ VU, our student accommodation, are within walking distance. The campus houses restaurants, cafés, world-class sports facilities, state-of-the-art lecture theatres and learning commons, and an aquatic and fitness centre. Subjects taught at Footscray Park include business, engineering, sports and exercise science, and education.

CITY FLINDERS

Occupying prime position in Melbourne's city centre, our City Flinders campus consists of two buildings on Flinders Street and Flinders Lane. Both buildings are just minutes from Flinders Street Station, the Yarra River and the world-class Southbank dining precinct. Courses in osteopathy, dermal sciences, business and information systems are taught here. City Flinders is also home to VU College, which delivers higher education diplomas, English language courses and foundation studies.

CITY QUEEN

The City Queen campus is made up of two historic buildings in Melbourne's legal precinct. The campus is located a short walk from Flagstaff Station. Home to the Victoria Law School and the College of Law and Justice, City Queen includes two moot courts, a law library, computer laboratories, lecture theatres and a student lounge. Several VU-run research centres, including the Sir Zelman Cowen Centre and the Mitchell Institute, are based here.

ST ALBANS

Located in a peaceful setting surrounded by native grassland, the St Albans campus is within walking distance to St Albans Station. The campus houses simulation laboratories and practical learning facilities for health science students, including trainee nurses and paramedics. Sports and recreation facilities, a childcare centre and café are among features of this picturesque campus.

FOOTSCRAY NICHOLSON

Amid Footscray's vibrant dining and shopping precinct, Footscray Nicholson is just a short walk from Footscray Station. You can take the train to the city in just 10 minutes. This campus is our vocational education and training hub. The campus offers contemporary classrooms, a café, meeting rooms, childcare centre and information and technology services.

WERRIBEE

Located in one of Melbourne's fastest-growing suburbs, our Werribee campus is part of a modern technology precinct and a short walk to Hoppers Crossing Station. Specialised facilities for teaching and research are housed here, including major research centres for water treatment, food science, biomedical science and fire safety. Other features include a café and childcare centre, a public osteopathy clinic and a health and fitness centre.

VU CAMPUSES

- City Flinders
- City King
- City Queen
- Footscray Nicholson
- Footscray Park
- St Albans
- Sunshine
- Werribee



City Flinders campus



Werribee campus



STUDENT LIFE



Beyond the classroom, we will support you to meet new people, make new friends and enjoy the Australian lifestyle. We want you to make the most of your time in Australia and have the best possible experience at VU.

ORIENTATION

Orientation, or O-Fest, is when you get to know VU, learn important information and make friends before classes start. International orientation and enrolment sessions are compulsory, so make sure you arrive in Australia 1-2 weeks before your course commencement date. We will contact you with the details of the orientation session a few weeks before your departure.

vu.edu.au/orientation

STUDENT MENTORS

Student Transition Mentors are current VU students, studying in your college who can help you:

- navigate our online learning system, VU Collaborate
- set up and/or access your timetable and student email
- use the VU and library websites
- join VU clubs and societies
- find the right person/department to speak to.

CLUBS AND GROUPS

VU has more than 60 clubs – including academic, social, sporting, religious, political and special interest groups. Joining a club is a great way to make friends and meet people with similar interests.

RELIGION

VU welcomes all faiths and beliefs. Each VU campus provides access to prayer facilities as well as multi-faith chaplains.

vu.edu.au/prayer-rooms-reflection-centres



SPORT AND FITNESS

We offer extensive sports and fitness services and facilities including:

- sports clubs, campus sport programs and competitions
- fitness centres and sports facilities at Footscray Park, St Albans and Werribee campuses
- heated 25-metre indoor swimming pool at Footscray Park
- remedial massage and myotherapy clinics at City King
- osteopathy clinics at City Flinders and Werribee.

In addition to our osteopathy clinics, we also operate beauty and dermal therapy clinics which are open to the public and run by students.

vu.edu.au/sport

VU SCOUT

VU Scout is an app developed by VU students for VU students. Free to download, the app is a great way to enhance your student life and learning at VU. Check-in to your classes to win daily prizes, unlock interactive games and make new friends!

vuscout@vu.edu.au

SAFETY

Our staff and security team will offer support, advice and assistance whenever you need it. All campuses are tobacco and smoke free.

- **Security Services**
Request a security escort, report an incident or seek emergency assistance on campus.
vu.edu.au/security
- **Safer Community**
We provide advice, assistance, referrals and personal safety tips.
vu.edu.au/safer-community
safer.community@vu.edu.au
- **Counselling**
vu.edu.au/counselling



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The VU International Student Association (ISA) is a student-run group that hosts events and activities for international students at VU. The ISA provides practical advice and support on issues you may experience during your time in Australia.



VU SAFE

All your safety and support services at VU are in one app! Features include:

- a silent alarm for urgent assistance
- safety notifications
- first aid requests
- VU shuttle bus tracker
- virtual safe walk function
- incident reporting
- campus maps
- emergency plans
- support services on and off campus.

Download for free for iOS and Android.

vu.edu.au/safety-app

VU SCOUT

A NEW APP FOR VU STUDENTS



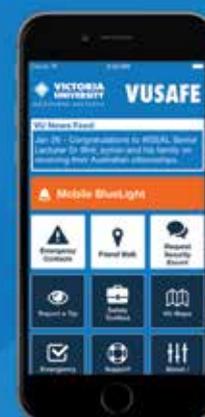
VUSAFE

CREATING A SAFER COMMUNITY

The free, official mobile safety app of Victoria University. VUSafe brings safety, security and support services at Victoria University to your fingertips.



vu.edu.au/safer-community



ACCOMMODATION



VU offers a safe, convenient and multicultural student residence with fully-furnished apartments and excellent living spaces. If you are moving to Australia, UniLodge @ VU is the perfect home away from home.

UNILODGE @ VU

UniLodge @ VU is directly across from our Footscray Park campus and a short walk to the Footscray Station, taking you to the heart of Melbourne and to our city campuses in approximately 15 minutes. UniLodge @ VU features fully-furnished apartments from A\$175 per week, with utilities and 50GB of Internet data monthly included in the rent.

Other features include:

- high-tech study rooms
- gourmet kitchens, dining rooms and TV lounges
- a barista café and rooftop garden
- basketball court, pool table, table tennis and foosball
- cinema room with cable TV, BluRay, Xbox, and PlayStation.

UniLodge @ VU was a finalist for best affordable housing in the 2018 Property Council of Australia Awards.

unilodge.com.au/lodge/vu/

PRIVATE RENTAL

If you decide not to stay in our student residence, other housing options include:

- Share house – your own room in a shared household
- Vacant properties – houses, units and apartments
- Homestay – as a guest living with a local family in their home. VU's preferred homestay provider is Australian Homestay Network.

homestaynetwork.org

HOUSING SUPPORT

Contact our Student Housing Service for:

- access to the VU student housing database – a free online guide with a list of property vacancies
- a student housing guide with tips, checklists and links
- information about moving in, staying, and moving out of your rental property
- support with any housing issues.

vu.edu.au/housing-accommodation

HOUSE HUNTING FRIENDS

The Victoria Abroad Facebook group is a good way to connect with other inbound Study Abroad and Exchange students seeking accommodation.

facebook.com/groups/exchangevu

UNILODGE @ VU RATES*

ROOM TYPE	FULL YEAR (52 WEEKS)
Studio Twin-share	From A\$175/week
6 bedroom Multi-share	From A\$260/week
2 bedroom Regular	From A\$290/week
Studio Regular	From A\$319/week
Studio Queen/ Accessible	From A\$351/week

* Rates are per person/per week, listed in Australian Dollars and 2018 indicative, and for a full year lease. Rates include: utilities and 50GB of Internet access monthly, Wi-Fi, all furniture, including bed, desk, wardrobe, TV, microwave and fridge; and secure swipe card access into the building and your private bedroom.

WEEKLY LIVING COSTS GUIDE (A\$)*

RENT	
UniLodge @ VU (includes utilities and 50GB monthly Internet access)	From \$175
1 bedroom unit - Footscray	\$280
1 bedroom unit - CBD	\$440
Share house	\$90-\$220
Food	\$80-\$200
Public transport (Zone 1+2)	
2 hour daily default fare	\$4.30
7 day pass	\$43
Electricity, water and gas for small apartment	\$30-\$50
Mobile phone and Internet	\$30-\$50

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. Some of these costs have been highlighted in the table on the top right of this page.

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

studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/money-and-budgeting

You might also need to consider the purchase of equipment, textbooks or clothing, such as a uniform, for some units.

Below is a list of additional costs that you'll need to factor into your budget:

- Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC): A\$275 approximately
- Books and stationery: A\$650 approximately
- travel to work placements
- library expenses (printing/scanning/ photocopying).



HOW TO APPLY

1 CONTACT YOUR HOME INSTITUTION OR AGENT

Find out if you are eligible to study at VU as a Study Abroad or Exchange student.

2 SELECT YOUR UNITS OF STUDY

Select a minimum of 6 units. See page 8 for a list of study areas and where to find unit descriptions.

vu.edu.au/units/search

3 APPLY ONLINE

Apply online and attach supporting documents using our online system.

The system also allows you to:

- check your application status
- respond to admission officers' comments
- accept your offer.

If more information is required after you apply, you will receive an email advising of a change of status in your application.

Register to apply online at

eaams.vu.edu.au/portal/

or through a VU-approved agent if you are not studying at a VU partner institution and wish to seek assistance with your application.

eaams.vu.edu.au/BrowseAgents.aspx



4 ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

Login to your account to check your application status. If you have a conditional offer, you must meet all conditions before accepting your offer.

Once you receive a full offer you need to:

- sign and return your International Student Written Agreement (the full document will need to be returned)
- pay tuition fee
- pay Overseas Student Health Cover (if applicable).

If your visa application requires a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE), VU will send a CoE to you after your acceptance has been processed.

5 ORGANISE VISA

Apply for a student visa.

Most prospective international students intending to study in Australia must have a student visa.

It is important that you state your full study intentions when applying. For detailed information on student visa requirements, how to apply, and related issues visit

homeaffairs.gov.au



DON'T FORGET

Allow enough time to apply for your visa

6 BOOK TRANSPORT

If you require VU to meet you at Melbourne Airport when you first arrive as a new student, complete the Airport Reception Request form at least 10 days before you intend to arrive.

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