



AUSTRALIA



Study abroad and exchange

Your adventure starts at Swinburne

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Welcome to Swinburne

Ready to make Australia your home and study in Melbourne for one or two semesters? You'll get to live as the locals do, expand your horizons, make treasured life-long memories, explore the unknown and grow comfortable with it – all while continuing your academic progress.

Swinburne is where your adventure begins.



"I chose Swinburne for two reasons: it's in Melbourne and it has a high level of academia. When I arrived and started living my life as a Swinburne student it wasn't just the academia or the city that excited me, it was the great environment, my teachers, my new friends and all the experiences lived on and off campus."

Hector Lozano

Mexico



Swinburne's prestigious world academic ranking lists reflects our commitment to high-quality teaching and research and graduate outcomes.

We have an international reputation for quality research that connects science and technology with business and the community – this is why Swinburne attracts highly qualified academics and educational leaders.

You'll learn from academic staff who not only have industry experience, but who also bring that experience to life through their teaching.

**TOP
1%**
GLOBALLY

QS World University
Rankings 2024

**TOP
25**
UNDER 50

Times Higher Education
Young University Rankings 2024

**TOP
250**
GLOBALLY

Times Higher Education
World University Rankings 2024

LEADERS IN DESIGN

**TOP
150**
FOR
ART AND DESIGN

QS World University
Rankings 2023

ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE

**TOP
100**
AUTOMATION AND CONTROL
AND CIVIL ENGINEERING

Academic Ranking of
World Universities by Subject 2023

SUCCESSING IN BUSINESS

**WE ARE AACSB
ACCREDITED**
ONLY 5% OF THE
WORLD'S BUSINESS
SCHOOLS SHARE
THIS HONOUR

Association to Advance
Collegiate Schools of Business

Swinburne's home is the home of ...

... oh, so much. Melbourne is the culture capital of Australia. From the arts, food and live music to sport and fashion, there'll always be something new for you to experience in Melbourne.



International Comedy Festival



Australian Grand Prix
and Moto Grand Prix



Rip Curl Pro



International Arts Festival



The Australian Open



Aussie Rules football



Melbourne Food & Wine Festival



Melbourne Fashion Week



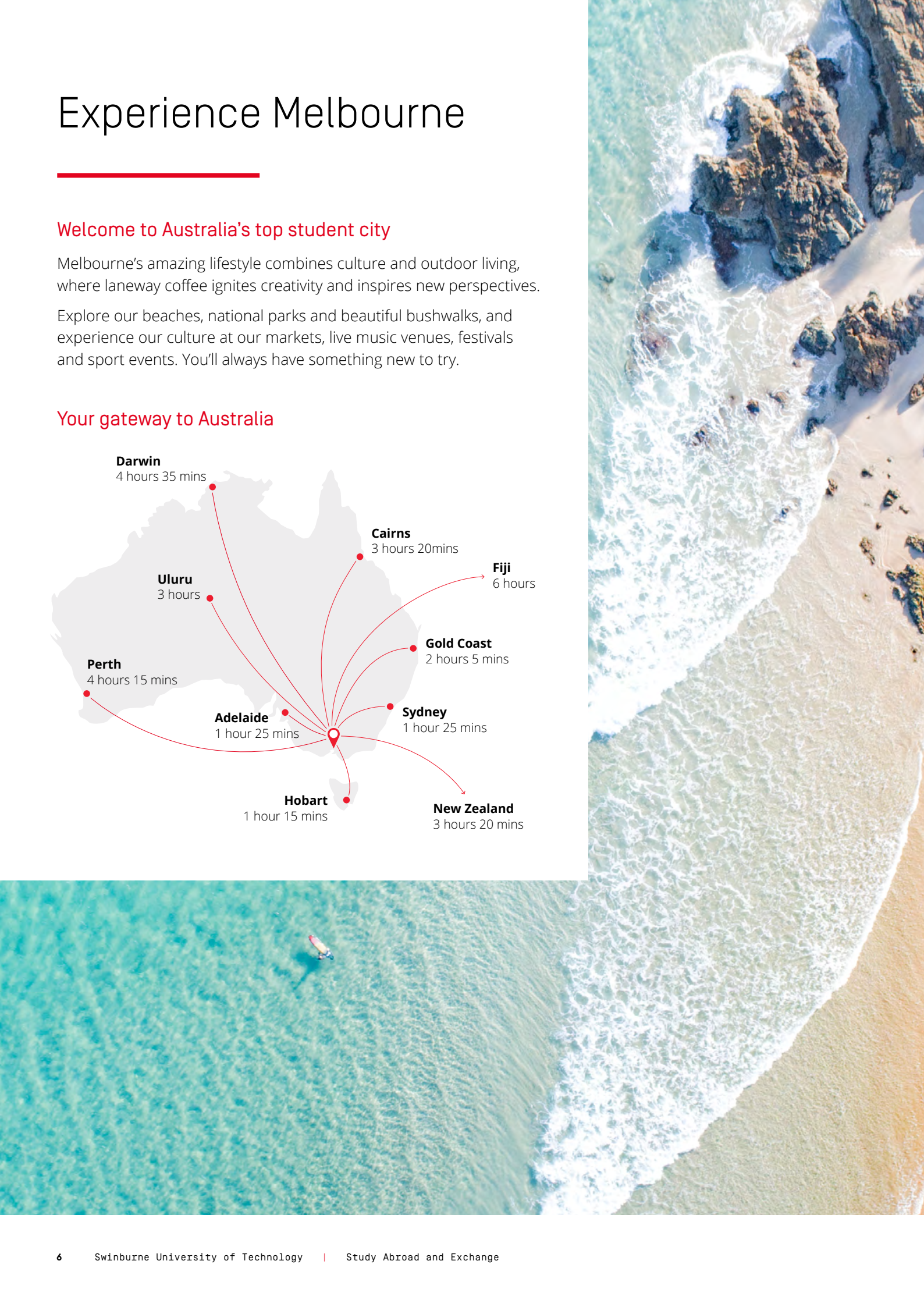
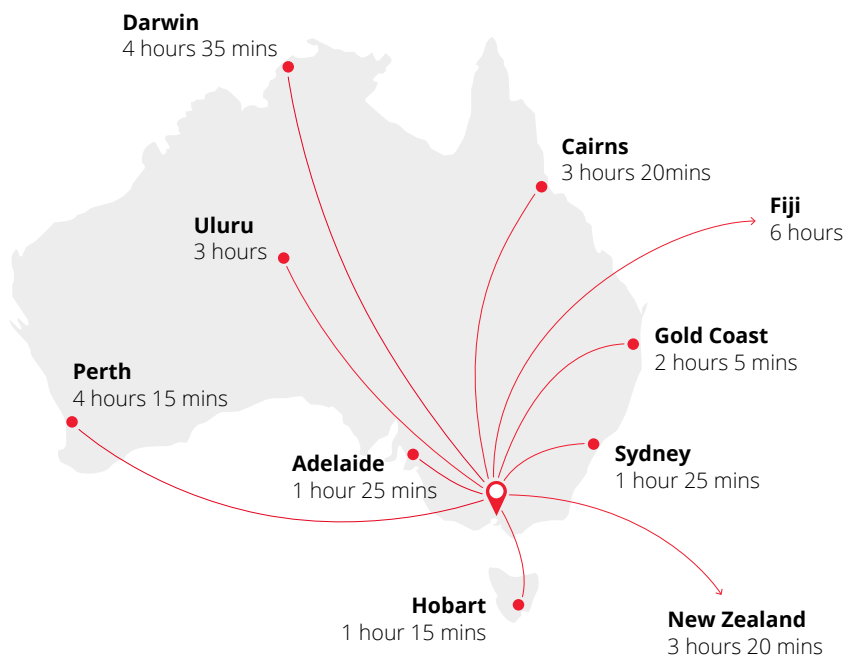
Experience Melbourne

Welcome to Australia's top student city

Melbourne's amazing lifestyle combines culture and outdoor living, where laneway coffee ignites creativity and inspires new perspectives.

Explore our beaches, national parks and beautiful bushwalks, and experience our culture at our markets, live music venues, festivals and sport events. You'll always have something new to try.

Your gateway to Australia





Your Aussie bucket list

Want to see everything Australia has to offer? You can start your #swinburneaventure with these events organised during orientation:

- ✔ Race Around Melbourne – It’s the Amazing Race, Swinburne style
- ✔ Tour Melbourne’s street art and other hidden secrets
- ✔ Make friends from all over the world

Swinburne Abroad also works closely with providers to offer a variety of “Aussie” activities:

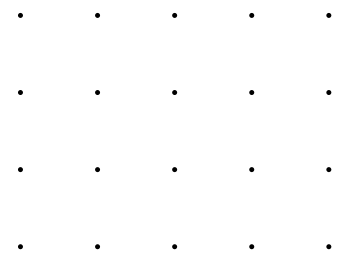
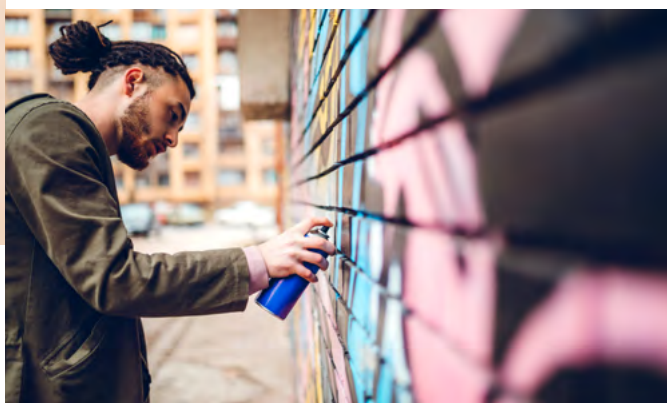
- ✔ A trip to Melbourne Zoo to check out Australia’s native wildlife
- ✔ Learn about Australia’s rich history on a Melbourne Museum tour
- ✔ Enjoy an Aussie Rules kick around and AFL game at the iconic MCG

Plus, our providers offer a number of day/weekend trips to explore Victoria, including:

- ✔ A weekend on the Great Ocean Road
- ✔ A surf adventure at the famous Torquay beach
- ✔ Witnessing the penguin parade at Philip Island
- ✔ Enjoying a relaxing day at the Peninsula Hot Springs

There's plenty more you can do

- Discover Indigenous culture and even throw a boomerang
- Photograph the iconic Brighton Bathing Boxes
- Sip a famous Melbourne coffee at one of Fitzroy’s hipster cafés
- Kayak or ride a bike along the Yarra River
- Take on the 1000 Steps in the Dandenong Ranges
- Go back in time to the gold rush at Sovereign Hill
- Taste wines throughout the Yarra Valley
- Go tree surfing on the Mornington Peninsula
- Explore Wilson’s Promontory
- Investigate the heritage State Library of Victoria
- Ride the world’s oldest continually operating roller coaster at Luna Park
- Bite into a hot jam doughnut at the Night Market
- Have a cocktail at one of many rooftop bars
- Head to New Zealand on your mid-semester break



Living in Melbourne

We'll look after you

Swinburne Abroad advisers will be your first point of contact when you arrive at Swinburne. They provide advice and support to help you adjust to life and study in Australia.

On your arrival at Swinburne, you'll have the opportunity to attend a welcome session where you'll be taken on a tour of the campus, given information about your studies and living in Melbourne, and have the opportunity to meet other students.

Orientation will take place the week before your studies commence and it will give you all the information you need to have a successful study abroad experience at Swinburne, but if in the meantime you have any questions, you can email us directly at intlgroupprograms@swin.edu.au

More information on living in Melbourne can be found [here](#).



Finding a home

You have loads of accommodation options in Melbourne – whether you want to live on campus, rent privately, or stay with a local family. For advice about accommodation, including how to make applications, managing communications with your landlord and what to look for in a rental property, contact our housing advisers at accommodation@swin.edu.au

	Private rental accommodation	Share accommodation	Homestay	On-campus accommodation
Description	Renting your own unfurnished apartment or house	Sharing a rental house or apartment with other students	Living in a furnished bedroom as a guest in a local family's home	Living in a single furnished room in an apartment or college, usually sharing the apartment with other students
Cost per week	Hawthorn rental prices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 bedroom median ~A\$420 • 2 bedroom median ~A\$560 Outer suburbs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 bedroom median ~A\$400 • 2 bedroom median ~A\$450 Bills (power, water, gas, internet): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ~A\$70 per week 	Hawthorn and inner-city: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ~A\$200–A\$400 plus bills Outer suburbs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ~A\$200–A\$350 plus bills 	Approximately A\$380–A\$410, including two to three meals per day and bills (except telephone and internet)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College room: A\$290 p/w • Shared apartment: A\$295–A\$335 p/w • Studio apartment: A\$385–A\$425 p/w
Contract	Minimum 12 months	Varies	Minimum four weeks	Varies
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent • Can choose what you want 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheaper than other options • Independent • Meet new friends 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn about the Australian lifestyle • Family-orientated environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close to university facilities • Meet friends • Shops, restaurants and public transport nearby
Disadvantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must buy furniture • May have to find share mate • Very difficult to break lease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living with people who you don't know and may have a different lifestyle from you 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited privacy • Have to fit in with the family's lifestyle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More expensive than other options
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Locate property. 2. Inspect property. 3. Lodge application. 4. Sign the lease contract. 5. Connect utilities. 6. Move in. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Locate property. 2. Inspect property. 3. Sign the lease contract. 4. Move in. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apply directly to the provider. 2. Receive an offer. 3. Move in. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apply online. 2. Receive an offer. 3. Move in.



Melbourne has warm summers, sunny springs, crispy leaved autumns and cool winters. There's something for everyone with snow in the mountains and sun at the beaches.



Sporting capital of the world

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Student city in the world

QS Best Student Cities Ranking 2024

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Student city in Australia

QS Best Student Cities Ranking 2024

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Most liveable city in the world

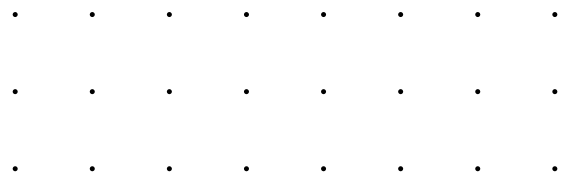
Global Liveability Index, 2023



"I love it here. Living in Melbourne is super convenient with amazing food all around. Having the train so close to campus makes it easy to get myself around pretty quickly and explore."

Cara

United States



In the heart of Melbourne




Our Hawthorn campus is conveniently located 10 minutes from the city centre in one of Melbourne's most vibrant inner-city suburbs.

Our campus is directly behind Glenferrie Road, where you'll find a diverse choice of restaurants and cafés, plus dozens of shops and boutiques. Two supermarkets and a number of international grocers mean you'll never have to go far for the essentials.

If you are looking to take a break from the books, you'll be spoilt for choice. You can watch a movie at Lido Cinemas located just across the road (they have a sweet rooftop bar too!) or go for a swim in the Hawthorn Aquatic and Leisure Centre (free for students!).

And if immersing yourself in Mother Nature is more your thing, just head around the corner to Central Gardens.

Key

- 1 Flemington Racecourse
- 2 Melbourne Zoo
- 3 Royal Park
- 4 City centre
- 5 Arts precinct
- 6 Melbourne Cricket Ground
- 7 Royal Botanical Gardens
- 8 Shrine of Remembrance
- 9 Port Melbourne Beach
- 10 St Kilda Beach
- 11 Yarra Bend Park
- 12 Yarra Flats Park
- 13 Swinburne campus
- 14 Hawthorn precinct
-  Glenferrie station (10 mins to city centre)
-  City-Swinburne metro line
-  Other metro lines





Your study options

At Swinburne, we're about empowering you to make the most of your study abroad experience.

Yes, we want you to study and learn, but we also want you to explore everything Melbourne and Australia have to offer. You may only get a few chances in life to fully immerse yourself in a new culture, meet unique wildlife, and form international friendships with people from the other side of the world. We're here to help you make these things happen.

You can study for one or two semesters, and also add a Summer or Winter Term program that will fast track your degree. You'll also have the flexibility to choose subjects from any of our study areas (see page 15).

And, when your time at Swinburne is up, it'll be sad to see you go, but you'll get an academic transcript you can take to your home institution for credit transfer.

Option 1:

Student exchange

You qualify as an Exchange student if:

- you are enrolled at one of our exchange partner universities, and
- you are nominated by your home university

You will continue to pay your home university fees and will not pay fees to Swinburne.

A list of our partner universities can be found [here](#).

Option 2:

Study abroad

You will be considered a Study Abroad student if:

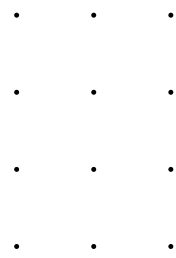
- Your home institution is not one of our exchange partner universities, or
- your home university is one of our exchange partners but you have not secured an exchange place

Study Abroad students pay tuition fees to Swinburne.



Scan here to find out more about making your study abroad dreams a reality at Swinburne.





Do you meet our entry requirements?

Our Academic and Language entry requirements are listed on the back of this brochure.

If you come from a non-English speaking background, you can choose to complete a preparatory English language course at Swinburne before your study abroad semester!

Key dates

You can choose to study at Swinburne for one or two semesters, beginning in either Semester 1 or Semester 2.

If you choose to start in Semester 1 (February–June), you'll get here in the last month of summer (so, bring shorts ... and a coat for the upcoming winter!), and if you arrive for Semester 2 (July–November), winter will be in full swing before we head into spring (so, bring a coat ... and shorts!).

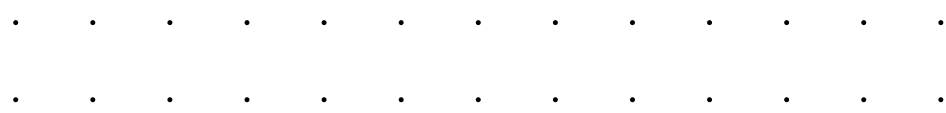
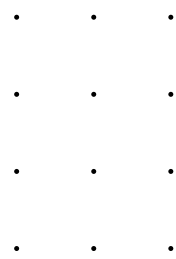
	Semester 1 (Northern Hemisphere Spring)	Semester 2 (Northern Hemisphere Autumn/Fall)
Key dates		
Orientation week (compulsory)	February–March	July–August
Teaching period	March–June	July–November
Mid-semester break (1 week)	April	September
Exams	June	November
Application deadlines		
Study Abroad	Late January	Late June
Exchange	31 October	30 April

A detailed overview of Swinburne's key dates and academic calendar can be found [here](#).

Summer/Winter Abroad

Want to speed up your degree? Swinburne Study Abroad students can enrol in a Summer or Winter term. These terms are taught in intensive mode for six weeks, allowing you to accelerate your degree during a semester break. There are a variety of subjects available, and you can either come just for the term or add it right after your semester experience.

Note – offerings are dependent on unit availability and assessed on a case-by-case basis.



Choosing your subjects

Now, here is the exciting part where you develop your study plan and choose your subjects.

Swinburne has a huge variety of study areas to choose from, and according to your interests, you'll be able to choose 3 or 4 subjects per semester.

Further information about choosing subjects can be found [here](#).

Step 1. Download our subject lists

Whether you are a Study Abroad or Exchange student, you can choose Swinburne subjects from any area of study (see opposite page). Contact our Study Abroad team or visit swinburne.edu.au/studyabroad to download a full list of units available for Exchange and Study Abroad students.

Note: Some study area restrictions apply based on your universities agreement with Swinburne. Please confirm whether any restrictions are in place with your home university before commence selecting your subjects.

Step 2. Check subject pre-requisites

When choosing your subjects/units, you need to be aware that some have specific pre-requisites or assumed knowledge.

You may meet the subject pre-requisites if you have taken an equivalent subject in the past, in your home university. This will be assessed at the time of application, and if any units are not suitable, our Academics will recommend alternatives.

You can check pre-requisites of all Swinburne units in our Unit Search: swinburne.edu.au/study/options/find/units or by clicking in the unit code of each unit in our subject lists.

TIP: Even though you may be planning to take 3 or 4 units per semester, we recommend that you list at least 6 units in order of preference, just in case one of them is not available or not suitable.

Step 3. Get approval from your home university

Once you have selected your preferred subjects, you should talk to a course adviser at your home university to make sure the classes you're planning to take will give you credit towards your degree.



Credit transfer

At Swinburne, the full study load per semester is between 3 and 4 subjects. This means that you will get between 37.5 and 50 Swinburne credits points.

At the end of your program, we will send your Swinburne academic transcript to your home university for credit transfer processing, and your home university will determine how credit will be transferred.

If you're from Europe

Swinburne subjects	Swinburne credits	European system ECTS
3	37.5 credits	22.5 ECTS
4	50 credits	30 ECTS

If you're from the U.S.

Swinburne subjects	Swinburne credits	US credits
3	37.5 credits	approx. 12 US credits
4	50 credits	approx. 15 US credits



You can choose your subjects from any of the below study areas

Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

- Climate and Social Justice
- Criminal Justice and Criminology
- Ethics and Technology
- History
- Indigenous Studies
- Media and Communication
- Perspective on Globalisation
- Philosophy
- Politics and International Relations
- Politics, Power and Technology
- Professional and Creative Writing
- Screen Studies and Popular Culture
- Sociology

Aviation

- Aviation Management
- Human Factors
- Professional Piloting

Built Environment and Architecture

- Architecture
- Building Design
- Building Information Modelling
- Construction Management
- Interior Architecture and Design
- Urban Design

Business

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Business Analysis
- Business Information Systems
- Data Analytics
- Data Management
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Event Management
- Finance
- Financial Planning
- Human Resource Management
- Information Management
- International Business
- Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- Management
- Marketing and Digital Marketing
- Project Management
- Public Relations
- Social Impact and Philanthropy
- Sports Management

Design

- Branded Environments
- Communication and Graphic Design
- Fashion
- Industrial and Product Design
- Innovation and Design
- Motion Design
- Photography
- User Experience and User Interface Design
- Visual Arts
- Visual Merchandising

Education

- Early Childhood Teaching
- Primary Teaching
- Secondary Teaching

Engineering

- Advanced Manufacturing Technology
- Architectural Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Product Design Engineering
- Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering
- Software Engineering
- Telecommunications

Film and Television

- Film and Screen Production
- Screen and Media

Games and Animation

- Animation
- Digital and Interactive Games
- Digital Media Technologies
- Games Development
- Games and Interactivity

Health

- Biomedical Science
- Clinical Technologies
- Exercise Science
- Forensic Behaviour Science
- Health Promotion
- Neuroscience
- Nursing
- Nutrition and Dietetics

Information Technology

- Computer Systems Technology
- Computer Science
- Cybersecurity
- Data Science
- Digital Media Technologies
- Information Technology
- Internet of Things
- IT Network Design and Technology
- Software Design
- Software Development
- Software Technology
- Systems Development
- Software Engineering
- Telecommunications

Law

- Criminal Justice and Criminology
- Justice
- Laws

Media and Communication

- Advertising
- Creative Writing and Literature
- Digital Advertising Technology
- Immersive Media
- Journalism
- Media Industries
- Media Studies
- Professional Writing and Editing
- Public Relations
- Social Media
- Sports Media

Psychology

- Clinical Psychology
- Forensic Behavioural Science
- Psychology
- Psychology and Forensic Science
- Psychology and Psychophysiology

Science

- Applied Mathematics
- Astronomy
- Biochemistry
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Laboratory Technology
- Physics
- Space Technology

Find out more about our courses at swinburne.edu.au/study

We're an Adobe Creative Campus

Whether you are taking Design, Business or Engineering subjects, as a Swinburne student you get free access to over 20 Adobe Creative Cloud apps and free consultations with our Adobe Digital Coaches.

We're the first university in Australia to become an Adobe Creative Campus. Why? Because we want you to stand out in a sea of CV-sameness by being the most digitally savvy of them all.

Whether it's creating content, solving problems or knowing fact from fake, you'll know what to do, when to do it and how to do it.



How to apply

Applying to Study Abroad at Swinburne is simple – just follow these steps. If you have any questions or need assistance with your application along the way, please get in touch with our team.

1. Check you are eligible to apply

Whether you are applying for Study Abroad or Exchange, you must have successfully completed one year of study at your home university.

Note: If you are from an exchange partner university, you must be nominated by your home university and meet their program requirements.

2. Check you meet our English requirements

If you are from a non-English speaking background, you will need to provide evidence of English proficiency.

General prerequisites include one of:

- IELTS: 6.0 overall (no band score below 5.5)
- TOEFL iBT: 60 with no band below 10 in reading, 9 in listening, 16 in speaking, 19 in writing
- PTE Academic: 50 with no communication skills less than 45

Exceptions for certain European partners apply. Ask our Swinburne Abroad team for advice on your situation.

3. Develop your Swinburne study plan

It's time to choose your units, and even though you'll only take three or four units per semester, we recommend you list at least six units in order of preference, in case one of them is not available or suitable. You should talk to a course adviser at your home university to make sure the classes you're planning to take will count towards your degree.

Contact the Swinburne Abroad team or visit swinburne.edu.au/studyabroad for a full list of available units.

4. Prepare your application

For your application, you'll need:

- Your most recent official academic transcript, with grading system
- Proof of English language proficiency, if applicable
- Copy of your passport
- Portfolio (This is applicable for some Design and some Film and TV subjects only)

5. Apply online

To complete your application, visit student-swinburne.studylink.com

Swinburne will assess your application and if successful, you will receive a letter of offer. Then all you need to do is accept your offer, and before you know it you will be in the heart of culture-filled Melbourne!

Visit swinburne.edu.au/study/international/offer to find out how to accept your offer.






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