



Partner Fact Sheet - 2019 Academic Year

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Exchange or fee-paying Study Abroad

Students coming on an <u>exchange</u> with a reciprocal agreement in place with Monash and non-partner <u>fee-paying study abroad</u> students follow the same processes for admission as outlined below.



Eligibility

To be eligible for admission to Monash for exchange or study abroad, students must have:

- completed at least one full year of study at their home university (variable for postgraduates);
- achieved a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or weighted average mark (WAM) of 60%, or home university
 equivalent to a credit average;
- met the Monash English language requirements; and
- be nominated by their home university or agent

Nomination process – new process

Please nominate your students via this <u>link</u> for students commencing Semester 1, 2019. There is no deadline to nominate students however please do send your nominations in advance of applications. Please complete a nomination for **each individual student**.

Nomination dates:

- Semester 1 (February June): 1 July 1 October
- Semester 2 (July November): 1 December 1 March

Please note: The nomination link changes each semester so please do not save it in your bookmarks. Please do not share this link with students directly.

Monash Abroad application form

Once you have made the nomination, Monash Abroad will email the nominated student and invite them to complete the Monash Abroad application form. They are instructed to send applications and all supporting documentation by scan/email (one PDF file) to MonashAbroad.InboundStudents@monash.edu

- Semester 1 (February June): 1 October
- Semester 2 (July November): 1 March

If you envisage having difficulties in meeting these deadlines please contact the regional International Education Coordinator.

Applications from students who have not been nominated will not be accepted.

Please note: Applications will not be considered unless the full application and supporting documentation is received.

Next steps

After Monash Abroad receives the completed application and all supporting documentation the student will receive an acknowledgment email confirming their Monash University ID number and next steps in the admission process. The study plan will be sent to the relevant faculty(ies) for approval of the units they have selected. Monash Abroad will then send a list of pre-approved units with the International Student Course Agreement (offer for admission).



Housing

On-campus accommodation

The Monash Abroad office will email students instructions on how to apply online for on-campus accommodation once they have successfully submitted their exchange or study abroad application; students should not apply directly to Monash Residential Services (MRS).

Off-campus accommodation

Students who choose to live off-campus can receive assistance/advice on searching for rental properties, setting up a share house, things to look out for before they sign a contract, an idea of comparable rental costs, how to budget, and how to get the essentials like internet, gas and electricity connected.

Monash Abroad orientation and enrolment

Monash Abroad hosts a free, compulsory orientation for all exchange and study abroad students each semester. This takes place one week prior to Monash University orientation and two weeks prior to classes commencing.

It is important that students advise Monash Abroad if they are unable to arrive by Monash Abroad orientation commencement. Late arrival will be subject to strict faculty approval. Students arriving late without formal faculty permission will not be allowed to enrol and therefore, their program will be voided.

Important dates

Find out more about key dates.

	Semester one	Semester two
For students living on-campus*, accommodation contract will begin and end	Saturday 16 February and Friday 12 July	Saturday 13 July and Saturday 7 December
Students to arrive on/before	Monday 18 February	Monday 15 July
Monash Abroad Orientation	Tuesday 19 – Friday 22 February	Tuesday 16 – Friday 19 July
Monash 'O' Week	Monday 25 February – Friday 1 March	Monday 22 – Friday 26 July
Classes commence	Monday 4 March	Monday 29 July
Mid-semester break	Friday 19 – Friday 26 April (Easter)	Monday 30 September - Friday 4 October
Classes conclude	Friday 31 May	Friday 25 October
Swot vac (study leave, no classes)	Monday 3 – Friday 7 June	Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November
Exam period	Monday 10 – Friday 28 June	Monday 4 – Friday 22 November

^{*} On-campus accommodation contract dates are for Monash University Residential Village – longer contracts are in place for Urban Community.



Visa

Students will need to complete and return the acceptance declaration in their International Student Course Agreement and receipt of payments where applicable. Monash Abroad will then email an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE) form. The eCoE is required to apply for a student visa (subclass 500). It is important, and the students responsibility, to fully understand their obligations and responsibilities when applying for a student visa. Students are advised to not book non-refundable travel until their visa has been issued.

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

OSHC is insurance to assist international students meet the costs of medical and hospital care that they may need while in Australia. OSHC will also pay limited benefits for pharmaceuticals and ambulance services. It is a condition of student visas that visa-length OSHC be purchased and maintained for the duration of that visa. Failure to purchase OSHC will result in students being non-compliant with their student visa requirements.

Students can arrange to pay for their OSHC when accepting their offer through Monash. Monash University's preferred provider is OSHC with Allianz Global Assistance and we would highly recommend students take this option. Students retain the right to choose their own OSHC provider which must come from the list of providers below. For more information on OSHC please see this <u>link</u>.

Non-Monash University OSHC preferred suppliers:

- Australian Health Management
- BUPA Australia
- Medibank Private
- NIB

Whichever option a student chooses, they must select the OSHC cover dates set out in Part B of their International Student Course Agreement.

Travel insurance

We strongly encourage students to take out comprehensive travel insurance before they leave for Australia as their OSHC will provide only basic medical and hospital cover whilst in Australia and does not cover any travel related claims. The OSHC does not cover students while travelling to or from Australia, their personal belongings or if they have an emergency and need to return home urgently. It is important to fully understand the terms and conditions of their travel insurance and what this covers.

Living costs

Information about living costs in Melbourne for international students can be found <u>here</u>. This information is primarily for international students completing full three-year degrees at Monash so there may be some variations for exchange and study abroad students. You can also get an idea of living costs in Melbourne <u>here</u>.

Employment

Holders of Australian student visas can work part-time for up to 40 hours per fortnight during the semester and full-time after exams have concluded. The visa work regulations place no restrictions on the type or nature of work that the student engages in and can be on or off-campus. Most students find part-time work in the service and hospitality industries.