**STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE** International Student Guide



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When your potential is multiplied by a university built for collaboration, anything can be achieved. YOU TO THE POWER OF US "Imagine yourself suddenly escaping everything you know and setting down with a few personal possessions in a new room, with new people, in a new country. Then imagine this space becoming full of memories and life-changing experiences. This was the transition I experienced being on exchange at Macquarie University. It is a place of adventure, friendship and unmatched passion."

Nathan Cole EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM UNIVERSITY OF EXETER UNITED KINGDOM



# THE EXPONENTIAL POWER OF """





(Times Higher Education and QS World University Rankings, 2022)



#### 6 SUBJECTS RANKED IN THE TOP 100 GLOBALLY

(QS World University Rankings by Subject, 2022)



#### MORE THAN 150 PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

for student exchange in more than 40 countries



\$1 BILLION INVESTED TO CREATE A COLLABORATIVE CAMPUS with world-class facilities and infrastructure



190,000 ALUMNI IN OUR INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY from more than 140 countries



MORE THAN 44,000 CONNECTED STUDENTS including more than 10,000 international students

# **(YOU)<sup>us</sup>CAN STUDY IN SYDNEY**

If you are looking for a safe and friendly destination offering a dynamic and multicultural experience while you study, look no further than Sydney.

#### STUDY IN THE BUSINESS CAPITAL OF AUSTRALIA

Sydney is home to more global firms than any other Australian city. A gateway to Asian economies, the city houses regional headquarters for more than 500 multinational companies. If you are looking to learn from the best business minds in the world, you have come to the right place.

#### EXPERIENCE A LIFESTYLE LIKE NO OTHER

Impressive beaches, iconic buildings, frequent events, beautiful weather and a thriving sports culture, Sydney has it all! Experience a relaxed lifestyle, visit astounding landscapes and enjoy high living standards in this diverse and cosmopolitan destination.

#### **IMMERSE YOURSELF IN A MULTICULTURAL POPULATION**

More than 28%\* of Australians were born outside Australia, contributing enormously to the nation's rich cultural diversity. In Sydney, you can experience first hand a multicultural lifestyle through a wide range of languages spoken and understood, international cuisine options and year-round festivals.

\*Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian Government



#### TOP 3 **MOST LIVEABLE CITIES** IN THE WORLD

**TOP 5** 

SAFEST CITIES

IN THE WORLD

The Economist Intelligence Unit, 2019

The Economist Safe Cities Index, 2021

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#### **TOP 10 BEST STUDENT CITIES** IN THE WORLD

QS Best Student Cities, 2022

#### SYDNEY WEATHER





WINTER

9-17°C

48-63°F



SPRING

SUMMER (DEC-FEB) 19-26°C 66-78°F

(MAR-MAY) (JUN-AUG) 15-22°C 58-79°F

AUTUMN

(SEP-NOV) 11-23°C 59-73°F

Average temperature ranges

# A CAMPUS BUILT FOR (YOU)

Our 126-hectare campus is home to more than 45,000 students and 3000 staff. We have invested more than \$1 billion in our world-leading facilities and infrastructure, so you can thrive in an environment that's inspiring and switched on to the latest digital technologies.



**ARTS PRECINCT** The Arts Precinct provides a transformative learning and research environment for the Faculty of Arts, giving students and researchers enhanced learning facilities and an immersive environment for languages and culture.



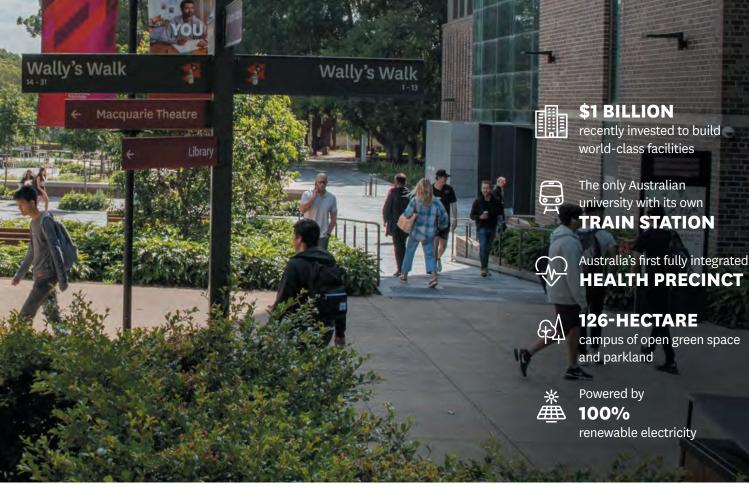
**MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY INCUBATOR** The incubator is a dynamic space where researchers, students, staff and industry partners collaborate to foster innovation and entrepreneurship.



#### LIBRARY

Our state-of-the-art Library features millions of academics resources; group and quiet study areas; computers, printers and copiers; presentation practice pods; a café; and Australian-first high-tech robotic cranes that deliver books in minutes.

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**CENTRAL COURTYARD** The new Central Courtyard in the heart of the campus: Designed by award-winning design studio Architectus, the new buildings serve a variety of functions and deliver modernised social and educational infrastructure.



MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL Australia's first not-for-profit teaching hospital on a university campus. The hospital is part of MQ Health, a fully integrated academic health science centre fostering excellence in academic research and industry practice.



**TRAIN STATION** 

Macquarie can be easily accessed by public transport. We have our very own Sydney Metro train station on the corner of Herring Road and University Avenue, which is a two-minute walk to campus.

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Experience a world-class education at one of Australia's leading universities on your exchange! When you study abroad with us, you will be empowered to have a life-changing experience, build employability skills and create friendships that last a lifetime. You can choose from a diverse range of units that spans multiple disciplines and includes practical components. Outside of class, we also connect you with students from around the world through student and sport clubs, and provide you with a comprehensive support system.

#### That's **YOU** to the power of us

# LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCES DESIGNED SOR (YOU)

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## Study Abroad program

#### **STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM**

Macquarie offers a diverse and flexible Study Abroad program with a wide range of courses and subjects. You can choose to mix and match from available units to suit your interests and ambition. You can enrol in the Study Abroad program for one or two semesters at Macquarie.

#### **IDEAL FOR YOUR GAP SEMESTER OR GAP YEAR**

If you're currently not going to university and don't want to commit to a long-term degree, you can still choose to study abroad at Macquarie University. By undertaking a semester or two at Macquarie, you can explore different areas of study without tying yourself down to a particular university or degree.

Choose from any of our 1000-level courses for a basic introduction to several interesting subjects.

For more information, visit coursehandbook.mq.edu.au

#### **TUITION FEES**

Study Abroad students are required to pay a fee in advance that includes tuition and administration fees. Please speak to your university, provider or check the Macquarie University website for current fees.



"I love the liveliness in Sydney – there's a buzz whenever you go to the city and there's always something to do. I enjoy going to Circular Quay and watching the sun set next to the Harbour Bridge and Sydney Opera House. I don't think I'd ever get sick of it!"

Melissa Gojer (India) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE





### Exchange program

If you are studying at one of our partner universities, you can choose to spend one or two semesters experiencing a world-class education on our beautiful campus, with support from your home university and Macquarie University.

Macquarie University has more than 150+ exchange partner universities worldwide. We offer stimulating subjects that will add a unique global edge to your academic transcript, and a beautiful campus environment that brings together students from around the world in one global community.

To check if your university is our partner university, visit: mq.edu.au/study/exchange-partner-universities

#### **TUITION FEES**

Exchange students from Macquarie University's exchange partners do not need to pay tuition fees to Macquarie as you will pay the standard fees at your home institution.

# COURSES MADE BY (YOU)<sup>us</sup>

#### **ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Ancient history Anthropology Archaeology Cultural and global studies English literature Environment and society Geography Indigenous studies International relations Modern history Philosophy Politics Sociology and social policy Urban planning

#### BUSINESS

Accounting Actuarial studies Business administration Business analytics Commerce Economics Finance Human resources International business Management Marketing

#### EDUCATION

Early childhood education Educational leadership Indigenous education Primary education Secondary education Special and inclusive education Teacher professional development Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

#### ENGINEERING

Civil and environmental engineering Electrical and electronic engineering Mechanical engineering Mechatronic engineering Software engineering

#### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES**

Computer science Cyber security Data science Games design and development Software development Web and app development

#### LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS

Ancient languages Linguistics Teaching English as a second language Translation and interpreting

#### LAW

Commercial law Criminal law Environmental law Governance Human rights and social justice International law Law and the media Public policy and law

#### MEDIA, COMMUNICATIONS AND PERFORMING ARTS

Communications Creative writing Film and Screen production Interactive design Journalism and non-fiction writing Media and society Music Performing arts and entertainment industries Podcasting and radio production Public relations and social media Sound production

#### **MEDICINE AND HEALTH**

Chiropractic Community services Human sciences Medical sciences Medicine Physiotheraphy Public health Speech and hearing

#### SECURITY, INTELLIGENCE AND CRIMINOLOGY

#### SCIENCE

Astronomy and astrophysics Biological sciences Biotechnology Chemistry Conservation and sustainability Earth and environmental sciences Mathematics and statistics Molecular sciences Physics

#### SECURITY, INTELLIGENCE AND CRIMINOLOGY

Counter terrorism Criminology Cyber security analysis Intelligence Security, strategic and defence studies

#### **PSYCHOLOGY AND COGNITIVE SCIENCE**

Cognitive and brain sciences Psychology

# **(YOU)<sup>us</sup>CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT AUSTRALIA**

Choose from some of our most popular units to explore the history and cultures of Australia, by learning about Indigenous Australian culture, current news and political affairs, or the Australian media landscape.



#### INTRODUCING INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIA (ABST1000)

This unit offers a broad introduction to the history and cultures of Indigenous Australia, from an Indigenous standpoint. This unit presents as a thought-provoking and challenging cultural experience of Indigenous Australian history, culture and worldview and, as such, provides a solid theoretical foundation for anyone wishing to pursue further Indigenous studies.



#### **AUSTRALIAN AND GLOBAL SOCIETIES (SOCI1000)**

This is an exciting and innovative unit about Australian life and global societies. It also provides new and engaging ways to develop your understanding of the deep social relationships that bind us together and which, at the same time, underlie the expression of conflict and inequality. In the unit we focus on key areas of social life such as family, gender and sexuality, religion, age, crime, media, work, globalisation and social policy.



#### **AUSTRALIAN POLITICS IN GLOBAL CONTEXT (POIR1010)**

In this unit, we introduce Australian politics through the lens of debates about globalisation and, in so doing, we examine key Australian political institutions, ideologies and contemporary issues. What is globalisation and to what extent has it blurred the boundaries between domestic and foreign policy issues? What is the nature of Australia's key political institutions such as the Constitution, the High Court, Federalism and Parliament?



#### INTRODUCTION TO MEDIA AND MASS COMMUNICATIONS (MMCC1040)

The Introduction to media and mass communications unit addresses the major transformations and continuities in the Australian and global media and communications environment. Interrogating the role of media in everyday life, in both local and global contexts, the course offers a vital introduction to media and communications studies.



# (YOU)<sup>us</sup>CAN BE GLOBAL LEADERS

#### ENHANCE YOUR STUDY EXPERIENCE

As a Study Abroad or Exchange student, you'll have the opportunity to join Macquarie's Global Leadership Program (GLP). The GLP will provide you with unique opportunities to enhance your study experience by developing important leadership and intercultural skills. You will develop new friendships and grow your networks while becoming part of the Macquarie campus community.

#### AWARD WINNING PROGRAM

Macquarie's Global Leadership Program (GLP) has been recognised as Australia's flagship tertiary global leadership program, receiving the prestigious 2017 Institute of International Education award for Innovation in International Education – 'Internationalising the Campus', as well as the StudyNSW (NSW Government) 2018 International Student Community Engagement Award.

#### YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:

- easily complete the program over one, or two semesters
- choose four workshops (Colloquia) from a variety of topics
- attend free GLP keynote speaker events where you'll hear from senior diplomats, innovators, and leaders

#### **OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDE:**

- day trips to multicultural areas of Sydney
- a four day conference held in Canberra (Domestic Symposium)

#### HOW TO JOIN

There is no cost to join or complete the GLP, and there are no assessments or academic entry requirements. Students who complete the program requirements receive a certificate, GLP transcript and reference letter. Please note, some optional activities may incur a subsided cost and require a competitive application.

Find out more at mq.edu.au/glp





# LIFE CUSTOMISED FOR (YOU)<sup>us</sup>

#### **VIBRANT AND DYNAMIC STUDENT LIFE**

University is about much more than graduating with a degree. It's also about awakening your adventurous side and trying new things, creating networks on campus and around the globe and, most importantly, making friendships that last for life.

- **Orientation** A week-long Orientation program runs the week before classes start. You can find out about student groups, support services and extra-curricular programs while meeting new friends from around the world.
- **Student clubs** With more than 130 student groups and sports clubs, Macquarie offers ample opportunities to meet new people, experience other cultures, test ideas and develop personal skills.
- **Competitive and social sports** If you enjoy team sports, competitions run each session and include sports such as basketball, futsal, netball and touch football. Our sports clubs also offer a range of competitive and beginner programs in Australian Football League (AFL), cheerleading, cricket, soccer, skiing and many more.

#### **COMPREHENSIVE SUPPORT AND SERVICES**

Studying at university is an exciting time but adjusting to university life can sometimes be challenging. To help out, Macquarie offers a range of resources and support programs that you can access while on campus.

• **Mentors Program** – one of Australia's longest-running peer support programs, helping you adjust to university life and find your way around the campus.

#### mq.edu.au/mentors

• Learning Skills Unit – free workshops, drop-ins and online resources to help with academic writing, referencing, exam strategies and more.

#### mq.edu.au/learningskills

• **Student Wellbeing** – offers a suite of health and wellbeing services including counselling, disability, welfare, advocacy, medical and religious support.

#### mq.edu.au/wellbeing

• **Medical clinic** – on-campus General Practice (GP) clinic in our own Macquarie teaching hospital offering comprehensive and convenient healthcare services for you during your studies.

## A campus you can call home

Macquarie University is a campus you can call home. Uni life includes more than study. It's an experience in itself. There's no better way to get the most out of your time at Macquarie than living in our on-campus premium accommodation.





#### **NEW ON-CAMPUS STUDENT RESIDENCE**

Opened in early 2021, our new student accommodation is all the buzz around campus. Designed as part of the Central Courtyard precinct, our premium accommodation offers 342 rooms with the option of studio, twin-, four- or six-bedroom apartments.

The University-owned and managed accommodation was created to set you up for success at University and beyond. Our secure, inclusive and healthy environment brings you the best of all worlds. Enjoy a busy social calendar, make friends from across the world and excel at university with our unparalleled on-site support. Adjacent to campus, Macquarie Centre is Sydney's largest Sydney suburban shopping mall with over 350 stores and services.

#### WHY CHOOSE US?

- Join a diverse and welcoming university community.
- Feel safe in a secure building with a 24/7 onsite service team.
- Enjoy exceptional facilities such as games rooms, communal kitchens, study spaces and fast internet access.
- Meet other students through a fun, vibrant and diverse Residential Life Program.
- Access on-site residential advisers, peer mentors, tutoring options and support workshops.
- Seamlessly transition to an independent lifestyle with our support.

#### **OTHER ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS**

#### **DUNMORE LANG COLLEGE**

An all-inclusive college with a strong focus on artistic, recreational and educational pursuits. Full board options, gym membership and tutoring are included.

#### MORLING RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE

The 100-bed facility, situated next to campus, offers a wide range of affordable accommodation options, from catered to independent living.

#### MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY VILLAGE

Combines independent, apartment-style living with a busy social events calendar and a 24-hour support network. Enjoy living just minutes from class.

#### **ROBERT MENZIES COLLEGE**

The college offers both self-catered and fully catered accommodation in private, fully furnished study bedrooms with shared bathrooms or private ensuites.

#### **PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION**

Private off-campus accommodation is offered exclusively to Macquarie students and vetted by the Macquarie Accommodation team.



# Frequently asked questions

#### WHAT ARE THE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS?

You'll need a WAM of 60% for admission to the Study Abroad or Exchange program. Certified transcripts from your home institution/recognised representative are required, along with proof of English proficiency at IELTS 6.5 (or equivalent) and a copy of your passport.

#### I AM A POSTGRADUATE STUDENT, CAN I STUDY AT MACQUARIE?

Macquarie University offers stimulating subjects at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. If you have completed your bachelor studies and are currently studying or about to start a masters degree, choose from our postgraduate units.

#### I AM STILL AT HIGH SCHOOL, CAN I JOIN THE STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM AT MACQUARIE?

If you're not currently going to university and don't want to commit to a long-term degree, you can enrol in the Study Abroad program at Macquarie. Undertaking a semester or two at Macquarie will allow you to explore different areas of study without tying yourself down to a particular university or major.

#### **HOW DO I TRANSFER CREDIT?**

As a general guide, the four-unit program at Macquarie is equivalent to 16 credits (USA) or 30 ECTS (Europe). Upon completion of your studies at Macquarie, you will be provided with an official transcript of your results. Always check with your home university whether you can transfer Study Abroad or Exchange credit towards your degree before applying.

#### DO I NEED A VISA?

Yes, a student visa, or appropriate alternative, is required for your stay in Australia. Macquarie University will provide a Confirmation of Enrolment (COE) for the student visa application when you accept your offer. For personalised visa information, contact the Department of Home Affairs.

homeaffairs.gov.au

#### **DO I NEED HEALTH INSURANCE?**

Yes, all international students studying in Australia must have an appropriate level of health insurance for the duration of their studies. For most students, this means taking out Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) with a governmentapproved provider. Medibank is Macquarie University's chosen provider of OSHC, and we will organise your policy on your behalf.

#### **CAN I WORK WHILE I'M STUDYING?**

As an international student visa holder in Australia, you're entitled to work up to 40 hours per fortnight (two-week period) during academic semesters and unlimited hours during scheduled semester breaks. Casual and part-time job opportunities can be found on campus or in the nearby Macquarie Centre shopping complex, and the University's Career and Employment Service can provide free assistance with perfecting your résumé and practising your interview skills.

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#### Questions? Ask us anything...

#### MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY STUDENT MOBILITY TEAM

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# How to apply

#### STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

Choose your academic option

#### EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Your home university will nominate you as an exchange student and provide you with the online application link.

#### **STEP 1: APPLY ONLINE**

- · Complete the online application form
- Upload your certified academic transcripts, proof of English language proficiency (if applicable) and passport copy

#### **STEP 2: ACCEPT YOUR OFFER**

Once we have assessed your application we'll send an offer within two weeks. Simply accept your offer and pay your tuition fees (if applicable) minus any scholarship. You also need to provide a copy of your Overseas Students Health Cover (OSHC).

#### **STEP 3: PLAN YOUR TRAVEL**

- Apply for your visa as soon as you receive your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) from Macquarie
- Buy your plane tickets and pack your bags!

#### **STEP 4: ARRIVE FOR ORIENTATION (O WEEK)**

Arrive for orientation, one week before classes

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### SESSION 1

**FEBRUARY:** Classes commence

Please note: Compulsory orientation and enrolment is held the week before classes commence

**APRIL:** Mid-session break (2 weeks) **JUNE:** Exam period

APPLY BY 30 NOVEMBER

#### **SESSION 2**

JULY: Classes commence

Please note: Compulsory orientation and enrolment is held the week before classes commence

SEPTEMBER: Mid-session break (2 weeks) NOVEMBER: Exam period

✓ APPLY BY 30 APRIL





# (YOU)<sup>us</sup>

At Macquarie, we have discovered the human equation for success. By knocking down the walls between departments, and uniting the powerhouses of research and industry, human collaboration can flourish. This is the exponential power of our collective, where potential is multiplied by a campus and curriculum designed to foster collaboration for the benefit of everyone. Because we believe when we all work together, we multiply our ability to achieve remarkable things.

That's **YOU** to the power of us.

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