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 courses from our four faculties of Education and Arts, Health Sciences, Law and Business, and Theology and Philosophy. 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.

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 ACU

As one of the fastest growing universities in Australia, ACU now has more than 33,000 students from 160 countries and more than 2,300 highly qualified and dedicated staff. The University has campuses in Adelaide†, Ballarat, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne and Sydney, and a campus in Rome, Italy.

We are a publicly-funded, world ranked university and we warmly welcome students and staff of all beliefs and backgrounds.

ACU was founded from Catholic tertiary institutions that had been training teachers and nurses since the mid-19th century. It is now globally connected and has relationships with more than 200 universities and educational institutions around the world, offering our students the opportunity to engage with their studies from a truly global perspective.

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 an experience and insight into the Australian lifestyle and culture.

Students undertaking more than one semester of study with us may study each semester at a different campus, enhancing the academic and social experience.

ACU FACTS AND FIGURES  (As at January 2017)

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WHY CHOOSE ACU?

WORLD RANKED
ACU is in the top 5% of universities worldwide and ranked in the Times Higher Education World Rankings, the Young Universities Rankings, and the QS World University Rankings.

AFFORDABLE
ACU is one of the most affordable universities in Australia. With accredited and recognised courses, we offer you an excellent return on investment.

SIX GREAT CAMPUSES
Our six campuses available to international students are located in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Canberra and Ballarat. You have the opportunity to transfer between campuses so you can experience more of our beautiful nation.

MULTICULTURAL
ACU welcomes students of all beliefs, nationalities and cultures. Currently we are home to more than 3,400 international students from 92 nationalities. Our campuses are vibrant and diverse environments where all our students can feel at home.

GLOBALLY CONNECTED
We have extensive links with more than 200 institutions in over 40 countries, opening a world of opportunity for study abroad experiences. Over 1,000 ACU students choose to go overseas each year as part of their degree.

\(^a\) Based on ACU’s ranking within the Top 800 universities on the Times Higher Education World Rankings (THE) and the total number of universities worldwide as assessed by UNESCO.

\(^b\) Not currently available to international students.
“My decision to attend ACU was focused on the small campus atmosphere. I wanted to immerse myself within the student body and make friends.

I have enjoyed the community atmosphere on campus, it has helped me with the uneasiness of being away from home. I have found the faculty and staff always willing to help.

I have had a great time at ACU.”

Devin Hamner, Exchange student, West Virginia University, USA
### OUR CAMPUSES

#### ACU BALLARAT
- **City Population**: 150,000+
- **ACU Student Population**: 952 (5% Int’l. students)
- **Free Parking**
- **Central Location**
- **Student Accommodation**

Ballarat is a beautiful town located in the Central Highlands region of Victoria, approximately 110 kilometres north-west of Melbourne (approximately a 75-minute drive or 90-minute train ride). It is one of Victoria’s most popular destinations for visitors who want to experience Australian town living at its best.

Ballarat has a similar climate to Melbourne, with slightly cooler temperatures in winter. The Ballarat campus (Aquinas) is set in beautiful gardens, near the commercial centre of Ballarat and close to facilities. The campus features a new purpose-built physiotherapy centre complete with wet labs. Ballarat campus is small and cheerful with a newly renovated cafeteria where students can socialise.


#### ACU CANBERRA
- **City Population**: 389,000+
- **ACU Student Population**: 1,198 (5% Int’l. students)
- **Free Parking**
- **Bus Services to Campus**
- **Student Accommodation**
- **5kms to City Centre**

Canberra, Australia’s national capital, is an international city with more than 70 embassies and high commissions. Canberra provides excellent facilities for study, including access to the National Library, the largest in Australia. If you like cycling, Canberra has many great bike paths, which are an excellent 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, the Canberra campus (Signadou) is one of ACU’s smaller campuses. You will enjoy the intimate, welcoming campus environment centred around beautiful gardens. The campus features a range of facilities, including a swimming pool, cafeteria, and campus lounge area with pool tables.


† As at January 2017.
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, Brisbane has something for everyone.

Living in Brisbane means you’ll be close to world-renowned rainforests and beautiful tropical reefs. Brisbane is also close to the world-famous Surfers Paradise stretch of coast.

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.
- Average rainfall of about 1,400mm annually, majority of which falls in the summer (November to March).

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Located in the northern suburb of Banyo, the Brisbane campus (McAuley at Banyo) is set on 40 hectares of landscaped gardens. The campus features a swimming pool, sports oval and ample parking, and boasts many new state-of-the-art facilities. It is located just 14 kilometres from the centre of Brisbane, and one kilometre from the Banyo train station. The campus is easily accessible by public transport and by the ACU shuttle bus.

www.acu.edu.au/brisbane

† As at January 2017.
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 landscapes, interesting neighbourhoods and impressive architecture.

Sydney is best known for its beautiful harbour, the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Sydney Opera House. It also has nearby mountains, more than 70 golden beaches with plenty of surf, great restaurants, bars and nightlife.

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

**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.

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The North Sydney campus (MacKillop) is located just over the famous Sydney Harbour Bridge in the North Sydney business precinct. Campus life is centred around a large outdoor courtyard and student recreational area. The most recent campus facilities include a new Co-op Bookshop, newly renovated cafeteria with pool tables, and dedicated new science labs. The campus is small, multicultural and friendly, accessible by excellent bus and train services.

www.acu.edu.au/northsydney

Located in the Sydney suburbs, the Strathfield campus (Mount St Mary) is 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 free ACU shuttle bus from Strathfield train station. Rugby and soccer ovals, a cricket pitch and newly landscaped central grounds provide an area for recreation and activities all year around.

www.acu.edu.au/strathfield

† As at January 2017.
Melbourne, the state capital of Victoria, is a rich and culturally vibrant city. There are plenty of things to enjoy in Melbourne, including great cuisine, shopping, art galleries and an outdoor lifestyle. Melbourne is famous for its wide variety of restaurants and cafes that will satisfy every taste and fit any budget. 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. People from Melbourne love to commute on the trams that criss-cross the city, and cycling is also very 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.

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The Melbourne campus (St Patrick’s) is conveniently located next to Melbourne’s central business district. It is a short walk from the popular and busy Brunswick and Smith streets, known best for their cafes, shops and art galleries. Some of Melbourne’s finest parks, gardens and recreational facilities are also within easy walking distance. The main campus provides students and staff with purpose-built facilities, including the award-winning Raheen Library. It is a modern, compact study environment that is full of activity. The $75 million six-star (Green Star sustainability rating) Daniel Mannix building is an outstanding building that provides state-of-the-art facilities to enhance your academic experience. The building is comprised of a 300-seat lecture theatre, specialist learning facilities in health sciences and psychology, a fitness centre, and a rooftop garden.

www.acu.edu.au/melbourne

ACU MELBOURNE

City Population
4.44 million

ACU Student Population†
10,496 (10% Int’l. students)

6 Tram Routes Nearby

20 Bus Routes Nearby

Train Station Nearby

Lockup Points for Bikes

Close to City Centre

† As at January 2017.
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**

It’s a good idea to book a short-term accommodation option 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 accommodation before arriving in Australia as it is best to view each property in person.

www.acu.edu.au/int_accom

**ACU STUDENT ACCOMMODATION**

**Miguel Cordero Residence** in Sydney 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:

- fully furnished studio and share apartments in a secure building
- communal lounges, library, study spaces and an atrium meeting place
- free academic, social, sporting and chaplaincy event programs
- close proximity to public transport for access to the Strathfield and North Sydney campuses
- 24/7 access to an on-site management team
- Up to 10 GB of free high-speed internet included per month.

www.acu.edu.au/490012

*Please note: Information regarding accommodation is provided for the convenience of students/visitors, and any reference to a specific company or services does not constitute endorsement, recommendation or favouring by ACU.*
ON GOING EXPENSES/ITEMS | COST PER WEEK IN $AUD
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Accommodation | $150-300+
Food | $50-90+
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 city centre 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 you find suitable permanent accommodation. For more information, please visit: [www.acu.edu.au/int_living_costs](http://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/int-health](http://www.acu.edu.au/int-health)

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](http://www.oshcallianzassistance.com.au)

**VISAS**

You must have a valid visa to enter and study in Australia. You may use a Visitor 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](http://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/working-in-aus](http://www.acu.edu.au/working-in-aus)

For further information on working in Australia see: [www.border.gov.au](http://www.border.gov.au)
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 also help you adjust to Australian culture and assist you with academic skills. It includes tours and events designed to familiarise you with your campus and fellow students.

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 (ISAs) 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 help 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
www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/support_services/academic_skills

Airport reception
www.acu.edu.au/int_airport

AskACU Centre
https://acu.service-now.com/kb

ACU Alumni
www.acu.edu.au/alumni_and_giving/alumni

Campus Ministry
www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/support_services/campus_ministry

Career Development Service
www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/work_experiences/career_support

Counselling Service
www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/support_services/counselling_service

Disability Services
www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/support_services/disability_services

Health, sport and wellbeing

PASS (Peer Assisted Study Sessions)
www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/support_services/peer_assisted_study_sessions

Student Advocacy Service
www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/support_services/student_advocacy

Student Associations and Clubs
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.
You can study at ACU for one year, one semester, or as little as two 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/study_abroad

For more information about the different courses and fees of our English Preparation courses, please visit:
www.acu.edu.au/study_english

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/study_abroad/apply

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.

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.
STUDY ABROAD +
Unlike our standard Exchange and Study Abroad programs, 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 Exchange and Study Abroad 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.

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.

INTERNATIONAL JULY SCHOOL
- Open to both Exchange and Study Abroad students, the International July School offers students the opportunity to complete one unit, taught intensively over two weeks.
- Students can enrol in the International July School as a standalone short-term program, or combine it with a full semester by joining the program before or after their semester studies.
- The International July School program includes an orientation and social program, and accommodation packages. For more information, please visit: www.acu.edu.au/international/july_school
Studying Abroad at ACU offers you a broad range of units to choose from. You have the opportunity to take classes from any of our four faculties provided you 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.

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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
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

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

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 has accredited English language courses offered in Melbourne, North Sydney and Brisbane. All 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
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

You will receive one of the following grades for each enrolled unit:

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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

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. Begin your search by reading our unit selection guide on the Study Abroad and Exchange website: www.acu.edu.au/study_abroad/units
“Many of the people I met were through the international student outings 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
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 affordable 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/study_abroad/info

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Students from all countries are welcome to apply to the ACU Study Abroad Program. You just need to provide evidence that you have the required 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 Education, Nursing and Law, may require higher English scores.

If you have not completed recognised studies in English, you will need to provide the following evidence of English proficiency:

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/study_abroad/info

APPLICATION DEADLINES
Semester 1 – November 15
Semester 2 – May 15
International July School – March 31
APPLICATION
STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

Study Abroad or Exchange?
Read page 16 to decide which program is right for you.

1

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.

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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.

2

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.

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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.

3

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

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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.

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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.

5

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.

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We look forward to welcoming you!
ACU prides itself on the high quality academic and support services provided to its students and conducts its activities in accordance with the Education Services for Overseas Students Act (ESOS) 2000: https://internationaleducation.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx

ACU and the courses offered by the University are registered on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS). CRICOS Registration: 00004G

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www.youtube.com/ACUinternational

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