

Melbourne. A world-class education in a world-class city.

Find out why students love
to study in Melbourne!



Melbourne. Australia's Best Student City

Whether you're studying an undergraduate or postgraduate degree, an English language course or vocational education and training, Melbourne offers an unforgettable student experience.

As the capital of Victoria, Melbourne is Australia's largest city, known for its thriving arts, sports, food and coffee cultures and a welcoming multicultural community.



No.1

Best student city in Australia and #5 in the world

Source: QS Best Student Cities Rankings 2025



No.1

Ranked university in Australia

Source: QS World University Rankings 2025, Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2025



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Universities ranked in the world's top 50

Source: QS World University Rankings 2025, Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2025



No.4

Most liveable city in the world and #1 in Australia

Source: Economist Intelligence Unit's Global Liveability Index 2024



Students can also choose to live and study in country Victoria where regional cities offer spectacular natural beauty, friendly communities, extended post-study work rights, and a relaxed lifestyle.



Australia's Education State

Melbourne delivers outstanding student outcomes through its world-class education ecosystem, equipping students with the knowledge, skills and capabilities that industries need and employers value.

- 10 universities
- 12 TAFEs
- 400+ private providers
- 13 internationally recognised medical research institutions
- 18 government-owned tertiary training institutes
- 14 agricultural research centres.

World-class institutions

Victoria's 10 universities

- Australian Catholic University (ACU)
- Deakin University
- Federation University
- La Trobe University
- Monash University
- RMIT (Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology)
- Swinburne University of Technology
- University of Divinity
- The University of Melbourne
- Victoria University (VU).

Victoria's education ecosystem includes a strong network of government-funded TAFE institutes which deliver industry-focused vocational education, and independent education and training providers spanning higher education, research, vocational education and training, English language and professional training programs.



A Centre for research and innovation

Melbourne is home to Australia's leading research facilities like the Synchrotron and CSIRO. Victoria's universities excel in research, with expertise rated 'above world standards' across 96 disciplines in the Excellence in Research Australia (ERA) rankings.

Our world-class universities, research and development hubs, vocational education and training organisations and English language schools collaborate with overseas providers to deliver tailored education and training programs.

Melbourne is Australia's leading tech city, home to more than half of the country's top 20 technology companies. Victoria's ICT industry has over 8,000 companies, including international firms such as IBM, Microsoft and Intel. Victoria also boasts Australia's largest bioscience research community, with 13 major medical research institutes, 11 teaching hospitals and 9 universities.

Key initiatives, such as the Monash Technology Precinct and RMIT's Advanced Manufacturing Precinct, demonstrate strong collaboration between industry and higher education, providing hands-on learning and research opportunities.

Work while you study

If you hold a Student (subclass 500) visa, you are permitted to work up to 48 hours per fortnight during the semester and unlimited hours during term breaks and holidays. This ensures that you can focus on your learning while gaining valuable work experience.





Strong alumni networks

Victoria's international student alumni often become leaders in economic, political and cultural sectors. The strong international alumni network fosters lasting and meaningful connections with Victoria, enhancing global research development, trade, innovation collaborations and international engagement.



"Pursuing my studies in Melbourne is one of the best decisions I've made. The city offers a vibrant blend of world-class education and dynamic cultural experiences fostering creativity. With its thriving job market, bustling arts scene, and rich history, Melbourne provides a land of endless opportunities for my personal and professional growth."

Fazil Mohammed (India)

Cloud Operations Engineer at PwC Australia
Bachelor of Information Technology, Swinburne University of Technology



"As a recent international graduate in Victoria, I have been fortunate to have supportive mentors, colleagues, and even community members. Their guidance and encouragement have helped me grow exponentially, both personally and professionally, allowing me to navigate my career journey with confidence."

Yi Su (China)

Service Improvement Analyst at The University of Melbourne
Bachelor of Commence, Monash University

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"Studying in Melbourne has been an unforgettable experience. I found an amazing group of friends who felt like family. Whether it was discussing readings and our experiences, sharing stories over coffee, going on bushwalks, or jumping into random events, every moment was a chance to connect and grow."

Maria Noriega (Colombia)

Study Melbourne Student Ambassador 2024
Master of Urban Planning, The University of Melbourne

Make Melbourne your choice for study

The Study Melbourne Hubs support international students (current, future and alumni) studying or looking to study with a Victorian education provider. Join events to enhance employment options and network, access study spaces, or get assistance in connecting with support services and programs, all free of charge.

For international students in Victoria, the Study Melbourne Hub in the centre of Melbourne offers free support, advice, programs and events; including:

- A dedicated student services team who speak many languages
- Free professional development programs to get you ready for post-study work life
- Study spaces, free WiFi, tea and coffee
- A calendar of events to help you make friends, network and learn new skills
- Help and advice with a range of enquiries including financial hardship, accommodation, wellbeing and mental health support, employment, legal information and education provider problems.

Search courses and providers in Melbourne and Victoria using the Course Search Tool on our website



Study Melbourne Hub locations:

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Kuala Lumpur

South Asia

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