Global Mobility Guide

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Why study overseas?

The University of Sydney has one of the largest global student mobility programs in Australia*. From in-person to virtual programs, there is a global experience for every student during their studies. Broaden your academic experience and set yourself up for a global career, while having the experience of a lifetime.

"Just two words: DO IT. I have not met one person who has regretted their overseas experience. It is simply not possible to live/study overseas without gaining something out of it. Whether it is new friends or important lessons learned. Usually both! Living and studying overseas is a once in a lifetime opportunity that will change you for the better.”

Yasmin Dowla
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Economics
University of Edinburgh, Scotland

70% of students said studying abroad significantly developed their employability through**: inter-cultural skills, flexibility, adaptability, self-awareness, curiosity and confidence

92% of employers value the transferable skills developed through studying overseas**

2/3 Australian graduates state that an international experience helped them land their first job**

Develop your self-confidence, independence and cross-cultural understanding.

Experience new ways of learning and access different academic opportunities.

Gain a global perspective for a competitive edge.

* Australian Universities International Directors’ Forum Learning Abroad Benchmarking 2019 (in 2020)
*** European Commission (2014). The Erasmus Impact Study: Effects of mobility on the skills and employability of students and the internationalisation of higher education institutions
Our global mobility programs

You can choose from hundreds of programs, virtual and in-person, in more than 40 countries. Spend a summer or winter break, semester, or a full year undertaking a global experience. Explore your opportunities at sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-programs

Semester and full year

Exchange programs
We have more than 250 exchange partners* in over 40 countries. During your exchange program, you remain enrolled and continue to pay your tuition and Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) fees to the University of Sydney. A student from partner institution does the same in reverse, and the result is an exchange of students and places.

* 130 of our exchange partners are listed among the top 200 universities in the world (Times Higher Education World University Rankings, 2022).

Programs types

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Short-term (2-6 weeks)

Exchange programs
You can also complete a short-term exchange program during the summer or winter break. With all exchange programs, you remain enrolled and continue to pay tuition and SSAF fees to the University of Sydney. Academic credit approval is also mandatory for all exchange programs.

Non-exchange programs
Many of our short-term programs are non-exchange which means you can apply to receive academic credit towards your University of Sydney course but it’s not mandatory. For non-exchange programs, you enroll and pay tuition fees directly to the partner institution or program provider. Fees for many in-person programs also include accommodation and excursions at your host destination.
In-country language immersion

You can learn another language with an intensive in-country unit as part of the Open Learning Environment (OLE).

Along with six credit points toward your course, you’ll gain unique and first-hand experiences through a combination of formal language classes and cultural activities, including visits to museums & theatres, virtual cooking classes and historic walks.

Past destinations include Spain, Germany, Italy, Indonesia, Jordan, Japan and South Korea.

For eligibility information check: sydney.edu.au/arts/ole-in-country

Industry and Community Project Units (ICPUs) global intensives

ICPU global intensives are elective units where you will have the opportunity to spend two weeks working intensively in interdisciplinary groups undertaking relevant research and presenting solutions to a real-world challenge.

Throughout the project, you will have the opportunity to engage with and learn from industry experts who will provide helpful information, guidance and feedback. For eligibility information check: sydney.edu.au/students/industry-and-community-projects/types-of-project-units.html.

“Exchange was the single best thing I could have done at University. It opened my eyes to a whole different way of life and broadened aspirations in life.”

Ryan Bogatez
Bachelor of Commerce (Liberal Studies)
University of California, Santa Barbara

“When I went into it, I was expecting to just sit in front of the laptop and learn grammar and stuff, but they introduced so many more cultural and local elements. It was a wonderful experience!”

Rose-maree Rodgers
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Advanced Studies
OLE, Virtual Experience Italy

Faculty programs

There are a number of faculty-run international programs offered. Each of these programs have different eligibility and admission criteria, and you’ll need to apply directly to the faculty, school or centre. Some past programs include:

- Business School Industry Placement Program
- Global Engineering Field Work for undergraduate engineering students
- Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) Abroad program for undergraduate and postgraduate health sciences students
- Offshore units from Sydney Law School
- Interdisciplinary field schools in Southeast Asia
- Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences program at St Xavier’s College, Mumbai.

sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-programs

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Getting credit towards your course

Study overseas and online to experience a new culture while earning credit towards your course.

Credit approval for global programs

**Semester exchange**
The availability of subjects at your host institution is an important factor in choosing where you’d like to go for a semester exchange. When researching your preferred semester exchange destination, consult the partner institution’s course/unit catalogue to confirm that there are sufficient units of study available to exchange students in your field and level of study in the semester for which you are applying. You can find links to these catalogues on the Global Mobility Database.

Due to enrolment quotas and other restrictions, the availability of subjects during semester programs cannot be guaranteed, therefore studying elective units on exchange may provide more flexibility. There is a conditional credit approval process you will go through as a part of your exchange application.

**Short-term exchange**
You can find information about the units of study offered during short-term exchange programs on the Global Mobility Database (sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-programs). You will also have to go through a credit approval process in your application for a short-term exchange program.

**Non-exchange programs**
You can apply to receive academic credit towards your University of Sydney course, but it is not mandatory for non-exchange programs. If you wish to obtain credit for a non-exchange program, there will be the option to request conditional credit approval during the application process.

**Non-credit programs**
Develop skills from leadership to language proficiency by participating in non-credit bearing internships, summer schools, competitions and other external international experiences.

**Credit transfer**
After you return, your faculty will use your official overseas transcript and any other required documentation to credit your results towards your University of Sydney course.

**Have more questions?**
Attend an information session and application workshop which are held throughout the semester and run by our Sydney Abroad Advisers.
Choosing your destination
When short-listing your preferred programs consider the following:
− in-person or virtual program options
− availability of suitable subjects for your course and level of study
− language of instruction
− cost of living in the destination
− scholarships and loans available
− accommodation options
− lifestyle opportunities
− student support services available
− what you hope to get out of the experience

You can research and find information about subjects, languages, housing, cost of living and lifestyle for each program at:
− sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-programs

Steps to apply
We encourage you to start planning early to ensure you can have a variety of global experiences during your course. This gives you enough time to research your options, plan your enrolment, and get the advice you need before applying.

5 steps to apply for a global program
1. Attend an information session to explore your global program options.
2. Find your mobility window – the best time in your course to have an international experience.
3. Research what you can study, where you can go and the programs that will suit you, using the Global Mobility Database.
4. Talk to a Sydney Abroad Adviser for further help and advice.
5. Complete your application by the deadline.

Find your mobility window
Your mobility window is the time in your course that is most ideal to complete a global experience. To find your mobility window, it’s important that you understand the requirements and structure of your course (and major/s). This information can be found in your course handbook.
From there you can see which program (semester, year or short-term) or combination, best fits into your course.

Find more information on eligibility criteria under each program at:
− sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-programs

“An overseas experience is an amazing way to spend either a semester or a uni break abroad. You get to broaden your perspective and meet people from so many different countries.”
Angela Zha
Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Advanced Studies
Tsinghua University Summer Program, China

“Learning Indonesian in Java was incredibly enriching. The opportunity to practice classroom content at local markets and warungs pointed out to me the invaluable power in language and its role in connecting to people. This programme also ignited in me interests in Indonesia and its role in global politics.”
Shalomy Sathiyaraj
Bachelor of Civil Engineering/Bachelor of Arts
OLE - Indonesia
Key dates

Application for short-term and semester programs

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* Final application deadlines will be announced closer to these dates for each year

What kind of support will I get?

From helping with your application to arriving at your destination, your Sydney Abroad Adviser will work with you throughout the process. The first step is to attend an information session to begin the journey.

If you access any student support services at the University of Sydney, it is important to ensure before you apply that your chosen program will offer a comparable level of support. Your Sydney Abroad Adviser can help answer any questions or email sydney.abroad@sydney.edu.au.

“Take the time to consider whether it is for you, and if it is for you do your research when looking for where you might want to go! It is an experience that I nearly didn’t apply for but I am so grateful that I did. Embrace the adventure of it all!”

Cameron Menzies
Bachelor of Arts
University of Liverpool, UK
Our Super Exchange Partners

Have a global experience with one of our seven ‘Super Partner’ universities, with many ranked in the top 50 in the world.*

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**Agreement with the UC system, including: Berkeley, LA, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Irvine, Davis, Santa Cruz, Riverside, and Merced.
Scholarships and costs

There are millions of dollars in scholarships and grants available to help with the program fees for virtual programs or your living and travel costs while overseas. There are also government funded OS-HELP loans.

Vice Chancellor’s Global Mobility Scholarship
Students applying to a semester exchange or selected short-term programs will automatically be considered for a VCGM Scholarship under one of the following categories.

Super Partner Scholarships
Students will receive $2000 if they are accepted into the semester exchange program at one of our seven Super Exchange Partners:
- National University of Singapore
- University of California
- University of Copenhagen
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Hong Kong
- University of Toronto
- Utrecht University.

Academic Merit Scholarships
Students who have achieved a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 75 or above are eligible for up to $1500 when they participate in the semester exchange program or an eligible short-term mobility program.

Short-term scholarships
Scholarships of up to $1500 are available to students participating in selected short-term mobility programs either in-person or in virtual delivery mode.

Students may not be eligible if they receive another travelling scholarship or grant from the University of Sydney for the same mobility program. For detailed information, including eligibility criteria, see:
- sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-programs

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander scholarships
The University of Sydney Indigenous International Exchange Scholarship is valued at $5000 for eligible students accepted into the semester exchange program. Short-term scholarships are also available and cover the total external program fee for virtual programs and internships.

Faculty and external scholarships
In addition, exchange and travelling scholarships may be offered by faculties, exchange partner institutions, the Australian Government, foreign governments, and corporate sponsors.
- sydney.edu.au/scholarships/exchange

Vice Chancellor’s Global Mobility Award
The VCGM Award is valued at $5000 for the semester exchange program in-country or up to $2500 for eligible short-term programs either in-person or in virtual delivery mode. The Award will be offered to students who entered the University of Sydney through the E12 Scheme or Broadway Scheme under the category: Financial hardship. Recipients may hold this award in conjunction with another travelling scholarship or grant.

Dalyell Scholars Global Mobility Scholarship
Dalyell Scholars are entitled to a Dalyell Global Mobility Scholarship of up to $2000 towards your participation in a semester exchange or short-term program where you’re receiving academic credit towards your degree.

Australian Government grants
Through the New Colombo Plan, eligible students can obtain a grant of up to $7000 for semester exchange programs, and up to $3000 for short-term programs across the Indo-Pacific region.
- sydney.edu.au/study/mobility-grants

Centrelink
If you currently receive Centrelink benefits, you may be able to continue receiving benefits while studying full time overseas.

OS-HELP loans
OS-HELP is a loan available to eligible students enrolled in a Commonwealth supported place who have been approved to undertake some of their study overseas for credit.

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If you’re travelling to Asia and studying an Asian language, you can request an additional $1133 to fund your language study in preparation for your overseas program. Amounts are subject to change, check the website for latest information:
- sydney.edu.au/study/os-help

Costs and fees
While on an exchange program you pay tuition fees to the University of Sydney and tuition at the host partner is waived. You will be responsible for all other costs, including the airfare, accommodation, living expenses and extra travel. If you commence a non-exchange program, you will be required to pay tuition fees directly to the partner institution or program provider.
The New Colombo Plan is a signature initiative of the Australian Government, which aims to lift knowledge of the Indo Pacific in Australia by supporting Australian undergraduates to study and undertake internships in the region. The New Colombo Plan involves:

- A prestigious scholarship program for study of up to one year and internships or mentorships, and
- Mobility grants program for both short and longer-term study, internships, mentorships, practicums and research.

The University of Sydney has many programs and opportunities funded by the New Colombo Plan so keep an eye out for these programs as you start exploring your options!

“"A key piece of advice would be to spend money on things you really want to do. At the beginning there can be some pressure to say yes to everything but this really isn’t necessary and you will have a much better time if you keep true to yourself.”

Annalise Blatchford
Bachelor of Design in Architecture
McGill University

Scholarship, Grant and Funding options

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Global Citizenship Award

The Global Citizenship Award (GCA) is an extracurricular program that provides unique international and leadership opportunities to prepare you to be a global citizen.

You will:

- hear from influential leaders across a range of fields
- strengthen your intercultural competencies
- create meaningful international networks
- maximise your overseas study and/or work experience
- prepare yourself to compete in increasingly global labour markets
- understand your role as a global citizen
- receive recognition on your graduation statement.

As a GCA participant you will earn points for participating in a range of virtual, local and overseas events and activities focused on one or more of the program. You’ll be encouraged to seek an experience abroad during your time at the University. You can complete the program without going abroad through globally focused opportunities available in and around the University.

You also gain access to GCA Development Seminars, delivered by University of Sydney experts and external facilitators where you learn about a range of international issues, develop practical skills and participate in group and personal reflection activities. Some examples of seminars are:

- Knowing Self, Knowing Others: Developing Cultural Competence
- The Art of Arguing Well
- Digital Leadership: Introduction Design Thinking through Lego Serious Play

“Through the GCA I was offered an exclusive opportunity to attend the 2017 University Scholars Leadership Symposium in Bangkok. At this event, I was asked to speak in front of 900 delegates from more than 60 countries, and engage in discourse with international leaders and stakeholders.

“While I learnt a lot from the individuals who presented at the conference, I learnt the most about leadership from the students around me, who openly shared the issues facing their nations and the steps they were taking to make a change. This was an opportunity I wouldn’t have known about if I wasn’t a part of the GCA.”

Lauren Chapman
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws
Global Citizenship Award participant
What’s next?

Come along to a Sydney Abroad event and make the world your campus.

Information sessions and application workshops

We hold faculty and region-specific information sessions, as well as drop-in advising sessions, throughout the semester. Come along to meet a Sydney Abroad Adviser and learn more about the programs available before you apply.

− sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-programs

Sydney Abroad Fair

Attend the annual Sydney Abroad Fair to meet returned students who have had an international experience, ask your questions, discuss your options with the Sydney abroad team. More information about the Sydney Abroad Fair including virtual and in-person activities, will be shared on Student News.

Meet & Greet and Pre-Departure Sessions

After you have confirmed your participation in a program, you’ll be invited to special sessions to help prepare you for your global experience. You will meet other students and learn more about:

− visas, accommodation and insurance
− health, safety and security
− enrolment and credit transfer
− engaging with your host country
− culture shock.

“Without sounding clichéd, you’ll learn so much about yourself as a person and you’ll be challenged to get outside your comfort zone. I was a bit nervous at first, especially about making friends and making the most of my time there, but the transition doesn’t take long and, before you know it, you’re having the time of your life!”

Samantha Bear
Bachelor of Education/Bachelor of Arts
University of British Columbia, Canada
FAQs

Some of the more frequently asked questions about an international experience.

1. What is the difference between exchange and non-exchange programs?
Exchange and non-exchange programs vary in the way you pay your tuition fees. As an exchange student, you remain enrolled at the University of Sydney and continue your usual fee arrangement. A non-exchange program requires you to enrol at a foreign university and pay fees to that university directly.

2. Where do I stay in my host country?
There are many accommodation options, which vary depending on your chosen destination. From on-campus student housing to finding your own home off-campus, there’ll be one that suits your needs and lifestyle. Many short-term programs offer accommodation packages in the program fee.

3. Is it expensive?
Studying overseas doesn’t have to be expensive. Virtual programs also offer an alternative to in-person programs and the associated costs of travel. For in-person programs, you will be living and studying abroad, not travelling on holiday. Living costs vary across the world, even in different regions of the same country. Food, accommodation and transport can be much cheaper than Sydney in many locations. There are a number of scholarships, grants and loans available to help cover some of your expenses.

4. How can an overseas program be virtual?
Virtual programs provide an opportunity to engage with students and academics from across the world without the need to travel overseas. Through interactive classrooms, workshops and cultural activities you can gain many of the skills that will prepare you for a global career.

5. Will spending a semester abroad delay my graduation?
You remain enrolled at the University of Sydney during your semester exchange. Your results for approved subjects are then credited towards your course at the University of Sydney once you have satisfactorily completed your mobility program. If planned carefully, semester exchange should not delay your graduation unless you go abroad in your final semester, which can delay graduation or progression into honours.

6. How long can I go abroad for?
You can complete one or two subjects in as little as two weeks in
the winter or summer break or spend a semester or a full year overseas.

7. Can I go abroad if I am a postgraduate or international student? Yes, both postgraduate and international students can go abroad. For postgraduate students, it is possible provided there is scope in your course and/or approved by your supervisors.

8. Do I need to know another language to go on exchange? Many of our partners in non-English speaking countries across Europe and Asia offer a broad range of units taught in English, therefore you are not required to speak another language to attend. Check the Global Mobility Database to find out which partners offer subjects in English.

9. Do I need to find units of study that are an exact match of ones in my course? One benefit of spending a period at an overseas institution is that you can access units of study that may not be taught at the University of Sydney. For example, at the National University of Singapore, a film studies major could take an elective on South Asian Cinema, which is not offered at the University of Sydney.

10. Where can I get more information? There are on campus information sessions and drop-in advising sessions throughout the semester to help answer all your questions. You can find more information on these here: sydney.edu.au/studyabroad. You can also visit us at the Sydney Abroad Counter in the Student Centre, Level 3, Jane Foss Russell Building, Camperdown Campus or email: sydney.abroad@sydney.edu.au.
We have hundreds of programs, in-person and virtual, in more than 40 countries and partner with top ranking universities worldwide.

Studying overseas is a unique opportunity to see the world and graduate with a truly global perspective. You can take just one or two subjects on a short-term program, go for a whole semester or even a year as part of your course.

Start planning for your overseas study and visit us at:
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