



## COVID-19 testing requirements for travellers from China, Hong Kong and Macau

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Dear Chloe,

We hope you're feeling ready for a new year of study and we look forward welcoming you for Semester 1 2023. Whether you are returning to Sydney or arriving for the first time, we are so excited to see you on campus!

We're writing to you with updated advice about travelling to Sydney, your arrival and the University support that is available to you.

### Travel requirements

Many students will already be aware of the recently announced Australian Government COVID-19 testing requirements for travellers from China, Hong Kong and Macau. If you are travelling from these regions, you are currently required to undertake a COVID-19 test within the 48 hours prior to travel and show evidence of a negative test result when travelling to Australia.

For more information, read the [Australian Government COVID-19 testing requirements fact sheet](#) (PDF 214.67 KB). English, Traditional Chinese or Simplified Chinese versions are available. For the latest information on visas and travel restrictions, visit the [Australian Government's Department of Home Affairs website](#).

Each province/city may have different procedures for local COVID testing facilities so we recommend you familiarise yourself with the process in your location to ensure you meet the requirements to board your flight. You may also wish to check with your air carrier for the requirements and process for your check-in for your flight to Australia.

### Arrival in Sydney

The University is here to support you while you plan your travel, upon your arrival in Sydney and whilst you continue your studies. You can find information on the [Transition to Sydney website](#) that will help with your travel arrangements and preparation, including booking a [free airport transfer](#).

Your health, safety and wellbeing are our highest priority. Find out what COVID-19 support is available to you on our [COVID health and safety website](#).

### Student accommodation

We understand it can be difficult to organise accommodation before you arrive, and many housing options may already be full at this stage. To make the process a little easier, the University has

worked with Scape, a student accommodation provider, to secure a number of places for international students studying in 2023.

If you're interested in this option, make sure you [apply to live at Scape](#) as soon as possible.

## Our Welcome Program

We recommend you plan your arrival so that you can join our Welcome activities, which will take place between 6 and 24 February. You're invited to join us regardless of whether you are a new or continuing student. Use this opportunity to reintroduce yourself to your peers and to the campus and to register for events using the [Welcome Planner](#).

## We're here to support you

As an international student you have 24/7 on-demand access to wellbeing and safety professionals and resources through the [Sonder app](#). You can seek advice at anytime and anywhere in the world for any safety, medical or mental health concerns.

If you need advice about moving to Sydney and settling in, our [Peer Support Advisors](#) are ready and waiting to answer your questions.

[The Student Centre](#) is also here to help with any questions you may have about your studies. The Student Centre can be reached on +61 2 8627 1444 or you can [make an enquiry online](#).

For additional information about studying as an international student, [visit our website](#).

Kind regards,  
The University of Sydney

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