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## **Deadlines 2015**

	Semester 1, 2015 (February – June)	Semester 2, 2015 (July – December)
Exchange Students	1 November 2014	1 April 2015
Study Abroad Students	1 December 2014	1 May 2015
Housing (all students)	10 December 2014	10 May 2015

### **Semester Dates**

Semester 1, 2015

Melbourne Welcome Friday 13 February – Tuesday 17 February

SAEX Enrolment Day (required) Friday 20 February

University of Melbourne Orientation week Tuesday 24 February – Friday 27 February

Semester One Teaching Monday 2 March - Sunday 31 May
Non-teaching Period Good Friday 3 April – Sunday 12 April
Examination Period Tuesday 9 June – Friday 26 June

Semester 2, 2015

Melbourne Welcome Monday 13 July – Friday 17 July

SAEX Enrolment Day (required) Monday 20 July

Orientation (required)

Semester Two Teaching

Non-Teaching Period

Examination period (including swot vac)

Tuesday 21 July – Friday 24 July

Monday 27 July – Sunday 25 October

Monday 28 September – Sunday 4 October

Monday 2 November – Friday 20 November

Please note:

Orientation is mandatory: <a href="www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/life/enrolment-orientation.html">www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/life/enrolment-orientation.html</a>
<a href="mailto:Melbourne-welcome">Melbourne Welcome</a> is optional: <a href="http://www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/life/melbourne-welcome.html">http://www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/life/melbourne-welcome.html</a>

All students are required to remain in Melbourne until the conclusion of the Examination Period. Return airfares should be booked for dates after the end of the exam period, rescheduling of exams is not commonplace and may only be approved in very special circumstances.

For more information see: http://www.unimelb.edu.au/unisec/PDates/acadcale.html#2015

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- Completion of 2 semesters of full time tertiary study outside Australia at the time of entry to the University of Melbourne.
- Above average results, the equivalent to a minimum 'C' average in the European system or 3.0 grade point average from the North American system.
- Proof of English language ability.
- Admission into some subjects requires completion of prerequisites prior to commencing studies at the University of Melbourne.

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## **English Language Requirements**

The language of instruction is English. Applicants can satisfy the English language requirements in a number of ways and this information is available on our website at:

http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/admissions/entry-requirements/language-requirements.

Please note that the language requirements for undergraduate students and graduate students are not the same and graduate students should ensure they meet the minimum requirements for the school from which they are taking a majority of subjects.

## **Application**

Students should apply online at <a href="www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/apply/">www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/apply/</a> Please send your student(s) the Student Instructions to use when applying. They can be downloaded from the website at <a href="www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/2015Unimelb\_StudentInstructions.pdf">www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/2015Unimelb\_StudentInstructions.pdf</a>

Note that while we require students to upload all their supporting documentation into the online application, you must still send a copy of their transcripts to us by email or fax together with the Nomination form. DO NOT POST original documents to us unless requested by us at the time.

## **Subject Load**

## **Terminology**

- **Course**: A degree or program studied, for example, the Bachelor of Arts is an undergraduate course. Courses vary in length from three to seven years.
- **Subject**: A unit within a course, for example the subject "Aboriginal Art" can form part of the Bachelor of Arts course. You can search for undergraduate subjects using the online handbook.

Students should take a full subject load of 50 points (usually 12.5 points x 4 subjects) for one semester. The minimum enrolment for student visa purposes is 37.5 points for one semester.

**Study Abroad:** Students are welcome to take subjects from any area as long as the subject is open and the student meets pre-requisites.

**Exchange:** If the exchange agreement between the home institution and the University of Melbourne is restricted to one faculty (for example Business), it may be necessary to get permission to take subjects outside that faculty. If the exchange agreement is a general agreement students are usually able to take subjects from any area as long as the subject is open and the student meets pre-requisites.

Students are not permitted to take more than 50 points per semester.

For more information about selecting subjects and course load please visit this link: www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/your-studies/selecting-subjects.html

Transcripts are sent directly to the home institution approximately 5 weeks after the end of the exam period.

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# **Grading System**

Grade	Standard Mark (%)	Explanation
H1	80-100	First Class Honours
H2A	75-79	Second Class Honours Division A
H2B	70-74	Second Class Honours Division B
H3	65-69	Third Class Honours
Р	50-64	Pass
N	0-49	Fail

### **Schools and Faculties**

The University has seven campuses around Victoria and 13 Faculties or Schools:

- Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning
- Faculty of Arts (Humanities and Social Sciences)
- Faculty of Business and Economics
- Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences
- Faculty of Science
- Faculty of the Victorian College of the Arts and Melbourne Conservatorium of Music (VCA and MCM)
- Faculty of Veterinary Science
- Melbourne Business School
- Melbourne Graduate School of Education
- Melbourne Law School
- Melbourne School of Engineering
- Melbourne School of Government
- Melbourne School of Graduate Research

For more information about Schools and Faculties please see:

www.unimelb.edu.au/az/faculties.html

Special requirements may exist for students wanting to study with some faculties and a few areas are open only through exchange partnerships. See this link for additional information:

www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/apply/faculty-requirements.html

www.mobility.unimeib.edu.au/mbodila/appiy/facuity-requirements.ntm

For a list of all subjects available for study, use the University of Melbourne Subject Handbook: <a href="https://www.unimelb.edu.au/handbook">www.unimelb.edu.au/handbook</a>

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#### **Overseas Student Health Cover**

It is an Australian Government requirement that all international students must have health insurance, known as OSHC, from an approved Australian provider. No confirmation of enrolment documents will be issued until a student has either purchased Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) through the University of Melbourne or provided evidence of having this insurance.

For more information please see:

www.services.unimelb.edu.au/international/visas/oshc.html www.health.gov.au/internet/main/Publishing.nsf/Content/Overseas+Student+Health+Cover+FAQ-1#Do

## **Visa Requirements**

Students coming from overseas to study at the University of Melbourne must have a student visa unless they are an Australian or New Zealand citizen. Students on study abroad or exchange apply for visa **sub-class 575**, **non-award**. They can do this once we issue a document called a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE). We don't issue this until students have accepted their offers and met any conditions required.

In addition, the Australian government has recently introduced a new visa processing arrangement which enables them to issue visas more quickly. In order to do that, however, students may be required to provide more information to us before we can issue the CoE. The information can be about their health, if they have sufficient funds to support themselves while studying in Australia, what ties they have to their home country or country of residence to demonstrate that they will be returning there at the end of their time in Australia and if they have ever been refused an entry visa to a country. We will contact students and/or their agents/representatives if we feel we need to ask these questions.

#### **Arrivals**

The closest airport to the University of Melbourne is Tullamarine Airport which is about 20km from the city. The University offers an airport pick-up service for study abroad and exchange students, however, they must make a reservation. Please see this link for more information:

http://services.unimelb.edu.au/international/life-and-study/apply-for-airport-pickup

### **Housing**

It is imperative that students organise their housing early. As soon as the admissions application has been submitted students should begin to organise housing. They will need their Application ID (Student Number) and can begin as soon as they have received this number. Students who wish to receive assistance to find housing should contact <a href="mailto:saex-housing@unimelb.edu.au">saex-housing@unimelb.edu.au</a> as the University of Melbourne has a staff member dedicated to helping study abroad and exchange students.

The vacancy rate in Melbourne's rental market is currently very low and students are encouraged to research and secure housing early to ensure they get the option that bests suits their needs. Housing for students can be broadly categorised into residential college housing and "off-campus" housing which is student housing, in some cases across the road from the campus, or private rental accommodation in surrounding suburbs. It is best that they begin their research online, which will have the most up-to-date information on housing options, including application deadlines: <a href="https://www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/life/housing.html">www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/life/housing.html</a>.

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# **Cost of Living**

For information about current living costs in Melbourne look at: <a href="http://services.unimelb.edu.au/finaid/planning/cost\_of\_living">http://services.unimelb.edu.au/finaid/planning/cost\_of\_living</a>

## **Emergency Contact Details**

If there is an emergency regarding an international student at the University of Melbourne, you can call the following numbers:

Business hours: 8.45 am - 5.00 pm (Melbourne time), Monday to Friday

**Tel.:** +61 3 8344 7452

#### After hours:

Tel.: +61 3 8344 6666

If using this number, ask to leave a message for Melbourne Global Mobility, and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

### **More Information**

Please visit this link: www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound

To order brochures, posters and other promotional material for your office or fair please email: <a href="mailto:studyabroad-exchange@unimelb.edu.au">studyabroad-exchange@unimelb.edu.au</a>

To download or order a Study Abroad and Exchange brochure, see this link: http://schoolprograms.unimelb.edu.au/internationalorderform.aspx

## **Contact us**

The Melbourne Global Mobility team consists of ten staff members and each region has a dedicated advisor. Please visit our website for up to date contact details for your regional advisor:

www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/about/index.html

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