



The University of New South Wales Exchange Guide

Guide for Inbound Students

Never Stand Still





My semester at the University of New South Wales as an exchange student was simply life-changing. I have been wanting to go abroad since I was sixteen, so I was basically living my high school dream studying in one of the world's most liveable cities. I strategically chose UNSW as my first choice because it is one of the top-ranked universities in Australia, with leading research projects that impact the city on a wide scale.

I had the opportunity to befriend many international students from all over the world. There is always something going on not only on campus, but also in the city. The Aussie Mate program did an exceptional job at organising social events and outings to explore the cosmopolitan and natural beauty of Sydney.

On top of that, the state-of-the-art layout of the campus offered many resources for me to successfully enjoy my experience here. Some of my favorite parts about campus life include the variety of food, talking with friends on the lawn, happy hours at the Roundhouse, coffee at Caffè Brioso...I could go on.

Undoubtedly, I recommend UNSW as a model university for providing a myriad of opportunities and resources for students to live and thrive in Sydney, Australia. I thoroughly enjoyed the courses I have taken.

The only thing that is stopping you from going abroad is yourself. With that, I say it's now or never! I cannot wait to share my journey here with my university back home...thank you UNSW!

Anders
University of California, San Diego | USA



The choice for UNSW wasn't a tough one. The university combines two essential things in life: adequate education and fun. In a nutshell, work life balance.

Coming from one of Germany's best universities (University of Mannheim) I always put emphasis on the quality a university offers. I don't want to enumerate the rankings in which UNSW succeeded but tell you in my own words that lecturers both inspired and corrected me in a way that accelerated my personal development. Lectures are not just about saying how something is supposed to work, but also why it works like this, which is fundamental for a good university.

The university is located very close to the beautiful beaches of primarily Coogee but also Bronte, Gordons Bay, Maroubra and Bondi. As an European, the chance to combine studying with surfing and reading a good book at the beach is unique. It really helped me to find the right balance and enthusiasm to finish my assignments and prepare for my exams.

Before coming here I had always thought about a semester abroad, but not entirely convinced if it is worth it. Having spent half a year at the UNSW I feel ashamed having had these thoughts. I will never forget my time here and can recommend everyone to come to Sydney and the UNSW for a wonderful experience.

Dorian
University of Mannheim | Germany





Australia is on the opposite side of the world from my country. I had to travel for more than a whole day to get here, but it was totally worth it!! Since the first day I arrived, I have had friends from all over the world: one day I was having lunch with German friends, the next day I was traveling with people from China, France, Hong Kong, Vietnam...just amazing!

UNSW was the best choice for an exchange. Everyone is so friendly and willing to help, you just feel like you are at home. To be honest, I feel I haven't had enough time at UNSW. It's like I just arrived yesterday and it's almost time to go now. But I'm sure I'll be back as soon as I can.

Jennifer

Business | Tecnológico de Monterrey (ITESM) | Mexico

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Vice Chancellor's Welcome

Thank you for considering the University of New South Wales (UNSW) for your university exchange. This guide has been designed to introduce you to the study options available to you as an Exchange student and to help you make a very important decision.

Consistently ranked as one of Australia's leading research and teaching universities, UNSW attracts the best and brightest students from around the world and is renowned for the quality of its graduates.

Whether opting to study for a professional or research career, UNSW offers you a lifelong education pathway. With our extensive international links, close relationship with business and industry, and outstanding teachers and researchers, you can be confident that by choosing UNSW you will achieve an excellent global education.

I invite you to peruse this guide and hope that it serves as a useful introduction to our university. I look forward to the opportunity to welcome you to UNSW.

*Professor Frederick G Hilmer AO
Vice-Chancellor and President*





Student Exchange

The University of New South Wales (UNSW) manages a large and active exchange program with over 220 different student exchange opportunities in over 35 countries. UNSW embraces a policy of "internationalisation" across the whole university and we pride ourselves on being one of Australia's most International Universities.

Student Exchange gives you the opportunity to study in Sydney, Australia and transfer credit back to your degree at your home institution. We don't charge you any tuition fees as you continue to pay fees at your home university. You can study most courses at UNSW as long as you have the prerequisite knowledge and you will be studying alongside UNSW students. You can gain an international experience and immerse yourself in the academic life at UNSW.

If you are an overseas student from one of our partner universities, we encourage you to apply to spend either a semester or a year on exchange at UNSW.





About UNSW

The University of New South Wales is one of Australia's leading research and teaching universities. At UNSW, we take pride in the broad range and high quality of our teaching programs. Our teaching gains strength and currency from our research activities, strong industry links and our international nature; UNSW has a strong regional and global engagement.

UNSW is renowned for the quality of its graduates and its commitment to new and creative approaches to education and research. Its motto – *Scientia Manu et Mente* ("Knowledge by Hand and Mind") – encapsulates the University's central philosophy of balancing the practical and the scholarly.

UNSW is a member of the prestigious Group of Eight (Go8), a coalition of Australia's leading research intensive universities and a member of the Universitas 21, the leading global network of research-intensive universities working together to foster global citizenship and institutional innovation through research-inspired teaching and learning and student mobility.

Established in 1949, UNSW is now home to over 52,000 students and 6000 staff giving you access to the best lecturers, first class facilities and a university support network. UNSW offers more than 300 undergraduate and 600 postgraduate programs, and has developed an extensive network of alumni chapters throughout Asia.

Five Star Rating

The 2012 Good Universities Guide awarded UNSW the highest possible five star rating in key areas such as teaching, research and graduate starting salaries.

Kensington Campus

The main 38 hectare Kensington campus features award winning architecture, natural surroundings and exceptional sport and recreational facilities, including an Olympic sized indoor pool, courts, ovals, bars, food courts and medical clinic.

The Kensington campus is located 15 minutes from the CBD and airport and about 2 kilometres from Sydney's famous beaches, Coogee and Bondi.

The University also has two smaller campuses:

- The College of Fine Arts located in the heart of Paddington and recognised as one of Australia's premier art and design schools
- The Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) in Canberra which trains the best students for successful careers in the Navy, Army and Air Force. The ADFA campus is not available to exchange students

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Faculties

Exchange students can choose from eight Faculties – Arts and Social Sciences; Built Environment; Business; Engineering; Law; Science; Fine Arts and Medicine. All offer an extensive range of undergraduate and postgraduate programs.

Arts and Social Sciences

UNSW Arts and Social Sciences is one of the largest and most diverse faculties for humanities and social sciences in Australia. Recognized as a national leader, UNSW Arts and Social Sciences continues to produce highly employable graduates who are socially engaged, globally conscious and professionally equipped.

The Faculty comprises of 5 schools:

- Education
- The Arts and Media
- Humanities
- International Studies
- Social Sciences

www.arts.unsw.edu.au

Built Environment

UNSW Built Environment is one of the largest built environment faculties in Australia and is internationally renowned for its comprehensive range of multidisciplinary degree programs. Built Environment focuses on the design, construction and management of the 21st century city within the disciplines of:

- Architectural Computing
- Architectural Studies
- Construction Management and Property
- Industrial Design
- Interior Architecture
- Landscape Architecture
- Planning

www.be.unsw.edu.au

Australian School of Business

The Australian School of Business (ASB) at UNSW is Australia's leading business school and a powerhouse of business education and research in the Asia Pacific region. ASB attracts teachers, researchers and professional practitioners who are global leaders in their fields along with having the best and brightest students compete for entry into programs.

There are 8 schools to choose courses from:

- Accounting
- Risk and Actuarial Studies
- Banking and Finance
- Economics
- Taxation and Business Law
- Information Systems
- Marketing
- Management

www.asb.unsw.edu.au

Engineering

The Faculty of Engineering is the pre-eminent centre for engineering studies and research in Australia, offering the widest choice of disciplines and incorporating the latest developments. The Faculty of Engineering is the largest Engineering School in Australia and is consistently ranked the nation's best. Recognition as the leading provider of engineering education in the Asia Pacific region underpins our strong international reputation.

The Faculty of Engineering consists of 10 Schools:

- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Electrical Engineering and Telecommunications
- Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Petroleum Engineering
- Photovoltaic and Renewable Energy Engineering
- Surveying and Geospatial Engineering

www.eng.unsw.edu.au

Law

UNSW Law is an internationally recognised centre of academic excellence and a leader in legal education in Australia. The UNSW Law School leads and inspires change through public engagement, mutual respect and an inclusive sense of community. UNSW Law School offers legal education for all career stages, including undergraduate law dual degree programs, Juris Doctor for graduates, postgraduate coursework and postgraduate research.

www.law.unsw.edu.au

Science

UNSW is a leader in research, and its scientists are among the best in the world in climate change, sustainable materials, marine science, quantum computing, wildlife management, psychology and mathematics to name a few. If you have a curious mind and want to learn from world renowned researchers, look no further than Science at UNSW.

The 9 schools include:

- Aviation
- Biological, Earth and Environmental Sciences
- Biotechnology and Biomolecular Sciences
- Chemistry
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Optometry and Vision Science
- Psychology
- Physics

www.science.unsw.edu.au

College of Fine Arts

The College of Fine Arts (COFA) is one of Australia's premier art, design and media schools located in the heart of Paddington on stylish Oxford Street. COFA offers traditional options of Painting, Drawing and Sculpture alongside cutting edge courses in Time Based Art, Digital Animation, Film and Video and Design (including Jewellery and Textiles) in addition to Art Education and Art History and Theory (including Art Administration).

COFA is a 10 minute drive from the main campus and there is a free shuttle bus that runs during the semester between the two campuses.

COFA consists of the following schools:

- Art
- Design Studies
- Media Arts
- Art History and Art Education

www.cofa.unsw.edu.au

Medicine

As one of the nation's largest and most diverse medical faculties, UNSW Medicine enjoys close affiliation with a number of Australia's finest hospitals, research institutes and health care organisations. The School of Medical Sciences is the largest School at UNSW Medicine and has courses on offer for exchange students.

www.medicalsciences.med.unsw.edu.au



Student Services

The university provides a comprehensive range of services to ensure students get the most out of their studies. We provide a supportive environment where you can access everything from clubs and societies, internet workstations and help with assignments to health services, counselling and quiet areas. These services are available to all exchange students.

The Arc

Arc is your student organisation. Their mission is to make life at university more interesting and are there to provide everything you need outside of the classroom.
www.arc.unsw.edu.au

Learning Centre

The Learning Centre provides academic support services to students and assists international students adjust to the academic environment and expectations at UNSW, which may be different to what you are accustomed to at home. Assistance is available through academic skills workshops, academic English programs and individual consultations. All programs are free and consultations are confidential.
www.lc.unsw.edu.au

UNSW Health Service

The University Health Service is a fully accredited general medical practice located on the Kensington campus. It provides general medical practice, psychiatric services and dental facilities to students and staff. Students are encouraged to consult this service for advice on health matters. There are male and female doctors available for consultation.

www.healthservices.unsw.edu.au

Counselling Service

The UNSW Counselling Services provides a free and confidential service to all students including individual counselling, workshops and seminars for skills development and self-help resources to assist students to make the most of their university experiences. All the counselling staff are registered psychologists and experienced professionals

www.counselling.unsw.edu.au



Equity and Diversity

The Student Equity and Disabilities Unit provide a range of services to students with disabilities, including note takers, readers, examination provisions, library assistance, liaison with academic staff, and disability resource materials. A Resource Centre located in the Library provides a study and rest area and assistive technology. Services are offered to all students with disabilities and are provided on a free and confidential basis.

If you require support services you are strongly advised to contact the UNSW Student Equity Officers (Disability) prior to your departure to ensure suitable services are available. If bringing any medication, or aids, please check with your doctor and Australian Immigration prior to departure as health regulations and availability of medications may vary from your home country.

www.studentequity.unsw.edu.au

Campus Security and Safety

UNSW is committed to providing a safe environment and offers extensive services on campus to ensure the safety of students and staff. Free Unibeat escorts are available to students between 6pm and 6am all year round and can escort you from your building to car parks, bus stops, taxi ranks or areas of close proximity to the UNSW Kensington Campus. A free Security shuttle bus operates in session from 7pm – 11:30pm, Monday to Friday.

There is a lighted corridor that runs through the campus and emergency help points throughout the university. UNSW Security Services also supports victims of crime, emergencies and incidents.

www.facilities.unsw.edu.au/security-safety/about-unsw-security-services

Careers and Employment

Exchange students can work up to 40 hours a fortnight on a student visa while their course is in session and unlimited hours when their course is not in session. Careers and Employment has a list of employment opportunities available for students and assist students with resumes and interview preparation. Services also include consultations, career advising and education workshops.

www.careers.unsw.edu.au

Sport and Recreation

The UNSW Lifestyle Centre is a comprehensive recreation and sport centre. Located on campus it includes a 50 metre indoor heated pool, a weights/cardio room, a fitness studio, cycling studio and a large gymnasium with facilities for basketball, judo, fencing, table tennis, aerobics, karate, fitness classes, dance classes to name a few. The gym is open 7 days a week.

There is also a broad range of sporting and recreational clubs suitable for all levels. Clubs offer a great opportunity to meet other students and experience life on campus.

www.sportandrec.unsw.edu.au





Living in Sydney

Sydney life

Sydney is the capital of New South Wales and is located on the east coast of Australia. Sydney is a dynamic, energetic and multicultural city with plenty of activities on offer to suit almost everyone. It boasts fabulous harbour views and spectacular landmarks including the Harbour Bridge and Opera House, Circular Quay, Botanic Gardens, Darling Harbour, the Rocks, not to mention some of the best beaches in the world.

Sydney has a vibrant arts, cultural and restaurant scene where you can indulge in the many different flavours of Australia and the world. The popular café scene allows for outdoor eating where you can make the most of Sydney's beautiful weather.

UNSW's prime location means it is close to the CBD, Bondi and Coogee beaches and other major attractions and shopping areas in the Sydney city area.

Paddington is home to the College of Fine Arts and is only 10 minutes from the main campus. It is well known for its fashion boutiques and is regarded as the place to see the latest trends in fashion and design. Paddington along with the neighbouring suburbs of Surry Hills and Darlinghurst create a trendy atmosphere with their art galleries, cafes, pubs and fashion outlets.

Bondi Junction is a popular place for shopping and is located close to Bondi Beach. It is easy to access by public transport from UNSW and the city and has a huge shopping centre that houses all the major department stores and retail outlets in one convenient place. The centre also includes a large cinema and entertainment complex.

Bondi Beach is only 8 kms from the Central Business District and Coogee Beach is only 10 minutes from UNSW. Both beaches are perfect for swimming and body surfing. Learn to surf or take a walk along the promenades and experience the true Australian surf lifestyle! Don't forget to experience the spectacular ocean views along the popular coastal walk from Bondi to Coogee.

Moore Park is minutes away from UNSW and contains two major sports stadiums (Sydney Cricket Ground and Aussie Stadium), entertainment, dining and shopping venues. Next door is Centennial Park located on 189 hectares of beautiful parklands where people can walk, picnic, rest from the hassle and bustle of everyday life and enjoy outdoor activities.

There are express busses from UNSW to the city and Central Railway Station. Close to Central Railway Station is Sydney's China Town with an exciting mix of affordable restaurants and shops from all over Asia. Just a short walk away is Darling Harbour where you can find museums, Sydney Aquarium and plenty of speciality shops.

There is always plenty to do in Sydney, lots of friendly people and the great weather makes it the perfect destination to spend 6-12 months on exchange.

Transport

Sydney's public transport network consists of buses, trains, taxis, ferries and a few private bus companies serving outer suburbs.

Public transport to the University is by bus. There are numerous bus routes which connect the University with the city and nearby suburbs. The College of Fine Arts in Paddington is also well served by many bus routes. During the university session, there are special express buses between the University's Kensington campus, Central Railway Station and Circular Quay.

Transport planning – www.131500.com.au

CityRail – www.cityrail.com.au

Sydney Buses – www.sydneybuses.info



Climate

Sydney has four seasons, which range from 18 –35 degrees celcius in the summer and 8-18 degrees celcius in the winter. Due to the range of seasonal temperatures you should bring clothing that is suitable for both summer and winter. It is also advisable to bring some transitional clothing for the autumn and spring months.

Living Costs

UNSW estimates that students require approximately AUD \$9,000 – \$11,000 for one semester. We recommend that students prepare to bring AUD \$2,000 for initial 'set up' expenses and emergencies. Although International students are permitted to work on the Australian Student Visa, students should not depend on earnings from part-time work to meet their living expenses while in Australia.

www.international.unsw.edu.au/living-sydney/cost-living





Accommodation

Exchange students can choose to live on campus in one of the residential colleges or find their own off campus accommodation.

On-Campus Accommodation

In Australia, on-campus dormitories or residences are known as Colleges. Fully catered Colleges are usually single bedrooms with shared bathrooms. Self catered Colleges are apartment style with your own bedroom and shared living and cooking facilities. If you are interested in living on-campus, you should apply directly to each individual College you are interested in. Each College is autonomous and has its own application procedures.

As these residences are often in high demand, we recommend that you apply directly to the College of your choice as early as possible and that you take care in submitting your application to ensure it is complete.

Fully Catered

- The Kensington Colleges
www.kensingtoncolleges.unsw.edu.au
- Creston College
www.crestoncollege.edu.au
- New College
www.newcollege.unsw.edu.au
- Shalom College
www.shalomcollege.unsw.edu.au

- Warrane College
www.warrane.unsw.edu.au
- International House
www.ihunsw.edu.au

Self Catered

- UNSW Village
www.unswvillage.com.au
- UNSW Student Apartments and Terraces
www.rc.unsw.edu.au
- New College Village
www.ncv.unsw.edu.au

Study Abroad Housing

Exchange students may also apply for Study Abroad housing, however, places are limited. Application forms can be obtained through the Exchange Office and should be submitted directly to Study Abroad.
www.international.unsw.edu.au/living-sydney/accommodation/study-abroad-accommodation

Off-campus Accommodation

Many exchange students prefer to find share housing close to campus in the beachside suburbs of Coogee, Randwick, Kensington, and Bondi. Housing close to UNSW can take a few days to arrange, particularly in January and February. It is best to arrive 1–2 weeks before classes start to allow time to look for suitable accommodation.



Accommodation is a matter of personal choice and depends on individual preferences and circumstances. It is recommended that students view all lodgings in person before making any payments or signing any documents.

International Student Housing Assistance

International Student Housing Assistance (ISHA) offers assistance to find suitable accommodation to new international students at the start of each semester. ISHA lists a variety of properties varying in price, security, quality and proximity to campus and these can be

accessed at the Student Development International (SDI) office. During this period there is also a service available to drive new students around to inspect properties.

www.studentlifelearning.unsw.edu.au/sdi/arrival/accommodation.html

UNSW Classifieds

The UNSW classifieds is a free listing service for the UNSW community. Students can buy and sell items and also search for accommodation.

<https://classifieds.unsw.edu.au>





Applying For Student Exchange

How to apply

The UNSW Student Exchange application is online and in order to apply you first need to be nominated by the Exchange Office at your Home University. The contact person at this office just needs to log onto our application site and enter your details, thereby nominating you. An email is sent to you with information on how to complete and submit your UNSW student exchange application.

As part of the online application, you will be asked to upload the following supporting documents. You should also bring the original or certified copies with you to Australia:

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| 1 | Most recent academic transcript (with English translation if applicable) as one document in a PDF format |
| 2 | ID page of your passport |
| 3 | Proof of the English language proficiency if applicable |

Our application process is completely online. We do not require hard or scanned copies of any documents.

****Portfolios:** If you are applying for studio based art/design/architecture subjects (COFA or FBE) you also need to submit a portfolio of around 12 works on a CD. Portfolios should be posted to UNSW Student Exchange.

Application Process

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| Step 1 | Nomination by your Home University. An email with application instructions and logon details is sent to you |
| Step 2 | Logon and start your online application. Check the name on your application is the same as on your passport |
| Step 3 | Check the UNSW courses you wish to study are offered in the semester you will be at UNSW |
| Step 4 | Complete your online application and upload supporting documents |
| Step 5 | Submit your online application form. An email confirmation with a copy of your application is sent to you |
| Step 6 | Your application is assessed by Student Exchange. Once you receive your email acceptance, accept your offer online |
| Step 7 | Apply for the relevant visa |
| Step 8 | Book flights and arrive in time for Orientation |

Application Deadlines

To ensure efficient processing and turnaround of student exchange applications, it is important that online applications are submitted by the following deadlines.

UNSW Session 1 commencement (February – June)
– 15 October of previous year

UNSW Session 2 commencement (July – November)
– 1 April of same year

Language Requirements

Students from countries where English is not the language of instruction must satisfy UNSW English language admission requirements. Students are asked to supply proof of English as part of their exchange application. For further information please visit www.unsw.edu.au/english-requirements-policy

Academic Calendar

The academic year in Australia coincides with the calendar year and is divided into two semesters, each containing 13 weeks of teaching followed by the examination period. Orientation Week ('O-Week') is the week preceding Week 1 and includes Faculty Welcomes and student activities.

Semester One normally commences in late February and finishes in June. Semester Two starts in mid-late July and finishes in November. You should include orientation week and examination weeks when arranging your exchange at UNSW as it is not possible to arrange changes to the examination timetables.

<https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/resources/AcademicCalendar.html>

Choosing your Courses

A list of courses can be found on the UNSW online handbook www.handbook.unsw.edu.au. The handbook is searchable by course name, code and description. In some cases a more detailed course description, outlines, timetables and additional information may be found at individual faculty or school websites.

Each course description gives details of the Provider [Faculty, School and Campus], an outline of the course, whether it is undergraduate or postgraduate [Career], Units of Credit, Contact hours per week, Semester when offered and Resources for the course.

This is a great tool in assisting you to develop your study program at UNSW. It is important to list the correct course code and course name for each of your courses on your application form and to check that the course will be offered in the semester you will be on exchange at UNSW.

Enrolment

Student Exchange will assist you with your enrolment. We will contact the relevant UNSW Faculties to seek approval for your requested courses and we will email you about your enrolment prior to your arrival. You can also change your enrolment after arrival, up until the end of week one of the semester.

Enrolment is subject to course availability and students having the appropriate academic background for the courses requested. It is important that you are flexible with your subject choice and have sufficient back up courses as some courses do fill up quickly or may not be offered in a particular semester.

While most Faculties and Disciplines will accept suitably qualified exchange students, the following areas have some restrictions:

Restrictions/Notes

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| Arts and Social Sciences | <p>Students wishing to take stage 3 ARTS courses must be majoring in the desired field</p> <p>Enrolment in MDIA code courses is open to partner universities where we have a faculty specific agreement</p> <p>INST, DANC, EDST67xx courses are not available to exchange students</p> |
| Law | <p>Enrolment in Law subjects is open to partner universities where we have a law specific agreement. Students can select from a range of undergraduate and postgraduate elective courses</p> <p>Undergraduate law students can take up to 2 postgraduate elective courses and are required to enrol in at least 2 undergraduate courses</p> <p>Juris Doctor courses are open to students enrolled in a Juris Doctor Program at their home institution. Students are not able to take both LAWS and JURD courses simultaneously</p> |
| Australian School of Business | <p>The following courses are not available to exchange students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industrial Training courses including MARK2999, MARK3999, MARK4999, FINS3100, FINS3200 • MARK 6xxx courses • GBAT 9102 and GBAT 9106 |
| Medicine | <p>Exchange students cannot enrol in courses in the medical program however students can enrol in courses from the School of Medical Science</p> |
| Studio courses | <p>Studio based courses are often limited due to space and students should be flexible with subject choices</p> |

Closed to exchange students

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| AGSM MBA | Operates its own exchange program |
| The Australian Defence Force Academy, Canberra | Courses starting with 'z'. Students should select courses from the Kensington campus instead |
| Summer/Winter Session | Courses offered during the summer or winter session |
| Other | Online courses or courses that are part of Honours degree |

Credit Point System

The academic load at UNSW is based on Units of credit (UoC). To be considered as full-time, students must enrol in 24 UoC per semester or 48 units of credit per academic year. Most courses at UNSW are worth 6 units of credit each and a full-time student will be enrolled in 4 x 6 units of courses per semester.

All exchange students are required to enrol in 24 UoC per semester. Overloading may only be permitted in extenuating circumstances.

Internship Opportunities

The UNSW Study Abroad office offers some internship opportunities. The internships are weighted at 6 UOC or one course and students are expected to enrol in another 18 UOC to make up the full time study load.

Exchange students are able to apply however they will be charged the internship program fee. Details on how to apply can be found at

www.international.unsw.edu.au/study/inbound-exchanges/study-abroad-scheme/internship-program



Applying for Visas

All exchange students are eligible to apply for a student visa for a semester or year of study. Exchange students are enrolled as a non-award student while at UNSW.

It is extremely important to check the requirements of the student visa for your nationality. We don't recommend you leave applying for a visa to last minute. You must obtain your visa before you arrive in Australia.

Some students may be asked to take a medical test even if applying for a visa online. The cost of these examinations varies according to the approved medical officers fees and the examinations need to be completed before the visa can be issued.

Students may be required to provide English language test results and this can lengthen the visa process.

For all information on applying for a visa please consult the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) website – www.immi.gov.au/students/, or your nearest Australian Diplomatic Office.

Overseas Student Health Cover

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) is a student visa condition as required by the Australian Government and is compulsory for all student visas. OSHC provides medical and hospital cover similar to that available to Australian citizens.

It is important you purchase and maintain OSHC for the entire time that you are in Australia and for the duration of your student visa. Students who have been accepted into the Exchange Program will be given details on how to purchase their own OSHC online.

Swedish, Norwegian and Belgian students who have the following health cover do not need to take out OSHC:

- The Swedish National Board of Student Aid (CSN) or Kammarkollegiet OR
- The National Office for Social Insurance Abroad – Norway (FFU) OR
- The Reciprocal Health Care Agreement with Australia (Belgium)

As OSHC is an Australian Government requirement, health insurance from your home university or country is not sufficient to have the OSHC requirement waived.

<http://www.immi.gov.au/students/>

Obtaining a Visa

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| Step 1 | Purchase OSHC according to the dates set by Student Exchange |
| Step 2 | Upload your OSHC receipt to your online application form |
| Step 3 | Student Exchange will issue your Confirmation of Enrolment (COE) and email it to you |
| Step 4 | Apply for your student visa using your COE. Exchange students are eligible for Streamline Visa Processing |

Student Visa Conditions

Enrolment

Student visa conditions require students to be enrolled in a full-time course load while on exchange. Please see the 'Credit Point System' section for information on what is a full time study load at UNSW.

Working

Student visas allow you to work once you have commenced your course at UNSW. You can work up to 40 hours a fortnight while your course is in session and unlimited hours when your course is **not in session**.

ESOS Act

The Australian Government wants overseas students in Australia to have a safe, enjoyable and rewarding place to study. Australia's laws promote quality education and consumer protection for overseas students. These laws include the Education Services for Overseas (ESOS) Act 2000 and the National Code. The Act also provides for obligations and restrictions on students to comply with the conditions of their student visa. The University is required to notify the Department of Immigration (DIAC) if students fail to comply with their visa conditions.
<https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/resources/ESOSstudent.html>





Arriving in Sydney

Orientation

Orientation is compulsory for all exchange students and we hope, lots of fun. The program ensures that students are correctly enrolled and settled before the commencement of session. It is also a great opportunity for you to meet other students, attend social activities and get to know Sydney.

Once accepted into the Student Exchange Program you will be sent regular email updates with details on orientation and arriving in Sydney. We recommend you arrive 1-2 weeks before orientation to arrange accommodation and settle in as accommodation close to campus can be difficult to find at short notice.

Aussie Mate Program

Student Exchange coordinates the 'Aussie Mate' Program to help you to settle into Sydney and interact with other Exchangers and UNSW local students. The Aussie Mates are UNSW students who volunteer their time to help welcome you to UNSW and our wonderful city. Most of the UNSW students will be going on exchange in the following session, so they are keen to meet people from locations where they might be going.

Aussie Mates assist in organising social events for the program participants, provide you with some local knowledge and are a great way to meet our busy and active local students. If you are interested in being part of the program please ensure you sign up by the deadline.

Global Students Expo

Each year Student Exchange holds the Global Students Expo to give UNSW students an idea on the student mobility options available to them. This is a great way to represent your university and tell our students about your country. We always welcome participation from students.

Final Grades And Transcripts

At the end of your exchange we will send 3 copies of your academic transcript to the office at your university responsible for your exchange program. As we are unable to release your transcript if you have any outstanding fines (eg library fines), it is advisable to pay any fines prior to departure to avoid delays in receiving your transcript.

Transferring credits to your home university

Each university has its own process for transferring credits. Please consult your home university for details.



Practicum Exchange Program

The Practicum Exchange Program is designed for students from partner institutions who wish to come to UNSW for a limited period (usually 2-6 months) to obtain research experience.

As the program is for research purposes only, practicum students are not permitted to undertake coursework while enrolled in the program. Students who are interested in participating in the Practicum Exchange Program need to secure an appropriate and willing supervisor in the School/Department in which they would like to undertake their program.

Exchange students wishing to combine their exchange with a subsequent practicum can do so as long as their completed practicum application reaches our office at the same as their student exchange application.

Further Information

Email: practicum@unsw.edu.au

www.international.unsw.edu.au/practicum.html

How to Apply

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| Step 1 | Contact UNSW academics to find a suitable supervisor and negotiate start and finish dates for your practicum |
| Step 2 | If an academic agrees to take you on contact Practicum Exchange for application details |
| Step 3 | Complete your application form |
| Step 4 | Practicum Exchange will process your application |
| Step 5 | Once accepted, Practicum Exchange will send out a letter of acceptance to you and your supervisor |
| Step 6 | You will be asked to organise OSHC insurance if coming on a student visa and send your receipt to Practicum Exchange |
| Step 7 | Practicum Exchange will confirm receipt and send your Confirmation of Enrolment (COE) so you can apply for a student visa |
| Step 8 | Organise the appropriate visa for your stay in Australia. |
| Step 9 | Book flights and arrive in time for your orientation session |



Summer Down Under™

UNSW's Summer Down Under™ program offers students the opportunity to sample a variety of courses taught during Summer Session at the University of New South Wales – perfect for your December/ January holidays.

You will have the opportunity to experience a selection of courses from a variety of disciplines including Arts, Business, Design, Engineering, Law, and Sciences. In addition you will have an opportunity to take advantage of the many exciting cultural events that Sydney has to offer during the Australian Summer.

The Summer Down Under™ package includes:

- Studying up to 12 Units of Credit from a variety of disciplines
- On-campus accommodation
- Optional cultural excursions

Any international student who has completed a recognized secondary qualification can apply to UNSW Summer Down Under™.

How to Apply

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| Step 1 | Refer to the Summer Down Under™ Course Guide to select UNSW courses offered |
| Step 2 | Check course entry requirements and levels |
| Step 3 | Complete the application form and submit it to summerdownunder@unsw.edu.au |

If your most recent studies were not taught solely in English, you will also need to meet the minimum English language requirements of the University. A standard test result must be submitted as part of your application.

Further information

Email: summerdownunder@unsw.edu.au
www.summerdownunder.unsw.edu.au

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- myUNSW
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- zMail
- Handbook
- Academic Calendar

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- Student Life
- Arc
- UNSW Advantage
- Student Connection
- Residential Communities

STAFF

- Teaching Gateway
- Jobs@UNSW
- Human Resources
- Services Directory
- IT Services

Useful Websites

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- UNSW – www.unsw.edu.au
- Student Exchange – www.international.unsw.edu.au/study/inbound-exchanges/formal-student-exchange
- UNSW Residential Communities – www.rc.unsw.edu.au
- Course Handbook – www.handbook.unsw.edu.au
- Student Services – www.unsw.edu.au/currentStudents/undergrad/ced/csugservicesdir.html
- Student Union/organisation – www.arc.unsw.edu.au
- Faculty Web site listing – www.unsw.edu.au/gen/pad/faculties.html
- UNSW TV – <http://tv.unsw.edu.au>

Department of Immigration and Citizenship

- Information on visa regulations and work permission rules – www.immi.gov.au
- Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) – www.dfat.gov.au

Sydney Information

- www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au
- www.randwickcitytourism.com.au
- www.visitnsw.com/sydney.aspx

Mobile phones

Mobile phones and SIM cards are easily purchased and there are plenty of options to choose from. Some companies even allow you to organize your phone number before you leave home. The most common phone companies include but are not limited to:

- Optus – www.optus.com.au
- Telstra – www.telstra.com.au
- Vodafone – www.vodafone.com.au
- Virgin – www.virginmobile.com.au
- Global Gossip – www.globalgossip.com

Newspapers

- www.smh.com.au
- www.theaustralian.news.com.au
- www.news.com.au/dailytelegraph

Sydney Transport Information

- www.131500.com.au (131500 is also a telephone Information line on all transport services across Sydney. Call to find out where to get a bus, train or ferry and when it leaves next!)
- www.transport.unsw.edu.au
- www.sydneybuses.nsw.gov.au



Contacts Details

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Summer Down Under™

Email: summerdownunder@unsw.edu.au

UNSW CRICOS Provider Code: 00098G

Student Exchange CRISOC codes

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Practicum Exchange CROCIS codes

12 weeks: 019322D 26 weeks: 019324B

36 weeks: 022162M 52 weeks: 061131F



Notes



It was my first international trip and well, I guess this one has set the standards too high. I still remember the first day as I walked into UNSW campus in anticipation, and the way I was welcomed like a full-time student. I don't think any university opens up their facilities and support for an exchange student staying only for a couple of months as much as UNSW does. We were introduced to the cutting edge research carried out in the university and plethora of opportunities available to work on. But, the best thing I discovered was that motto behind this program is not only just academic, but it targets an all-round exposure to the city, its culture, and the quality of life people enjoy here.

To sum it up, this program is not only about research and academia, it's a once-in-a-lifetime experience where you will not only work but also have fun, make friends with people around the globe, and will spend quality time in one of the best cities in the world, Sydney!

Pranjal
Engineering | IIT Kanpur | India



UNSW is definitely a good choice and I really appreciate what I gained from my time at UNSW. I took several courses from the Australian School of Business and UNSW is a leader in this field. Lecturers and tutors gave me a deeper perception of finance and bank management. Team assignments and case studies helped me to apply what I learnt in the lecture. The tutors are very nice and helpful.

And of course there are tons of interesting extracurricular activities! I joined the Latin club and met lots of friends. I also joined the conversation group and discussion group, which aimed to help international students improve their spoken English. My semester at UNSW has been amazing. Just join exchange!

Yinglun
Shanghai University of Finance and Economics | China



Before I arrived in Sydney I was a little worried about accommodation and banking, but my worries were unfounded because everything just fell nicely into place when I arrived, especially with the generous help from the people there. I have really enjoyed my time at UNSW. To me, it's a wonderful opportunity to get to know international friends, experience a whole new culture, as well as a new school environment. The food here is awesome too! Just look at the mouth-watering chocolate fondue I had with my friend! Besides food, my other deepest impression is how welcoming and friendly the people are. Come and have a taste of this whole new experience!

Eunice
Science | National University of Singapore | Singapore



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