



THE UNIVERSITY
of ADELAIDE
COLLEGE

The University of Adelaide College

A GUIDE FOR PARENTS

The preferred pathway provider
to the University of Adelaide

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WELCOME!

Studying abroad presents a unique chance for a young person to develop a global mindset that can open doors to many future career opportunities. We know that is a big change for the whole family and requires some time to adjust. We also know that families truly want the best for their children. That is why everyone at the College are here to support you and your children to make the transition to life in Australia as smooth as possible.

To help you prepare for the exciting educational journey ahead, the University of Adelaide and the University of Adelaide College, have worked together to create this dedicated guide for parents of international students. It aims to answer some of the questions you might have about your child studying overseas, the level of support available and the application process.

You'll read about the student-focused schemes in place at both the College and the University, to help international students adapt and thrive in their new environment. The trust you put in us is not taken lightly. We hope this guide gives you an insight into the value of studying with us abroad and our commitment to helping you and your child become informed and empowered about this exciting next chapter.

Siobhan Guy
College Director
The University of Adelaide College



BENEFITS OF STUDYING ABROAD

The life experience that your child will gain when studying abroad is second to none when it comes to both personal and career development.

Immersed in a new environment, they will gain invaluable skills in being able to adapt to new situations, problem-solve and gain independence as young adults. They will have the chance to experience and understand different

cultural perspectives and practise and perfect their English language skills.

An international education at the University of Adelaide will also create global employment opportunities for your child. They will be equipped with the skills to think creatively, expand their views of the world and build networks that will prepare them for global careers.



ADELAIDE AS A WORLD-CLASS STUDY DESTINATION!

Adelaide is the state capital of South Australia and a very multicultural city, with a population of 1.3 million people. In fact, almost a third of all students are from overseas. People are warm and welcoming of different cultures which makes for a safe and enjoyable place to study, live and work. The city is consistently voted one of the world's most liveable and affordable.

SAFETY

Adelaide has a strong reputation for being a friendly and safe place to study, live and work, and is considered Australia's safest capital city¹. The University and the College also provide a range of services and responses to assist in student safety on campus.

TIME ZONE

Adelaide's time zone is closer to Asia and Europe than Sydney or Melbourne which will make it very easy to schedule calls with your child and stay in touch.

LOCATION

The city enjoys a stunning location with white sandy beaches to the west and rolling, green hills only 20 minutes to the east. The city centre itself is famous for its many cafes, restaurants, entertainment and festivals, which offer plenty of opportunities for students to make friends and socialise.

CLIMATE

With a year-round beautiful Mediterranean climate, the weather in Adelaide is beautiful and warm in the summer and mild in the winter.

TRANSPORT

Accessibility is an important factor for new students. Adelaide is very easy to navigate, with a well organised public transport network that includes trains, buses and trams. Public transport within the city centre is free. International students also receive 50% discount for other public transportation. With so many beautiful parks and green spaces, walking and cycling are safe and efficient ways to get around.

CAMPUS LOCATIONS

The College is centrally located, and only a short five-minute stroll from the University's main campus.

The University of Adelaide's main campus on North Terrace is famous for its beautiful and historic architecture. Right in the centre of Adelaide, the campus is walking distance to cafes, restaurants, shopping and various attractions.



Safest city in Australia¹



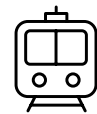
Multicultural²
27% of students in Adelaide are international



Most Liveable³ city in The World



Affordable⁴
Most affordable Australian mainland city



Accessible⁵
Free public transport within Adelaide CBD



Mediterranean⁶ climate

Maximum Average Temperature:
Summer 29°C | Winter 16°C

WHY STUDY WITH US?

We understand that moving overseas and undertaking a university program is a big investment.



WHY THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE COLLEGE?

As the preferred pathway provider to the University of Adelaide, international students have guaranteed entry to the degree of their choice, on successful completion of their program.

FLEXIBLE PROGRAM OPTIONS AND DEGREE PATHWAY

Students can choose from three intakes per year and a wide variety of subjects and courses on offer.

UNIVERSITY LEVEL EDUCATION AND ACCESS TO MODERN FACILITIES

Our syllabus is kept up-to-date with the latest content from degrees at the University of Adelaide. All College students receive a University of Adelaide student card giving them access to state-of-the-art facilities on offer at the University campus.

ADDITIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT SERVICES

A range of different services are available to ensure students are prepared for university-level academic English.

PREPARATION FOR UNIVERSITY

We provide an engaging, nurturing and academically stimulating environment to better equip students for a seamless transition to tertiary study in Australia.



Guaranteed pathway to the University



Flexible study options



Individual support



Preparation for University

WHY THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE?

The University of Adelaide is one of Australia's leading research-intensive universities and is consistently ranked among the top 1% of universities in the world.*

GROUP OF EIGHT

The University of Adelaide is a member of the Group of Eight, a coalition of Australia's leading research-intensive universities.

COMMITTED TO INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

The University began enrolling international students over 90 years ago and they now account for almost a quarter of all students.

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES

Students will benefit from medical and veterinarian training clinics, a full audio-visual technology suite, computer and learning facilities at Hub Central and the famous Barr Smith Library.



Top 1% of universities globally*



Group of 8 University



9,000+ International students from 100+ countries

*Times Higher Education, QS World University Rankings and the Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU).
^Upon successful completion of your course at the University of Adelaide College.



PATHWAY INTO A UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE DEGREE

For international students who do not meet the English language or academic requirements to progress straight to university, the University of Adelaide College offers your child a direct pathway.

Depending on your child's individual requirements, they can choose from Foundation Studies or Degree Transfer programs packaged with General Academic English and/or English for Academic Purposes (if required).

There is a diverse range of more than 120-degree opportunities available for international students who can then progress straight into first-year or second-year undergraduate study at the University.

To help streamline the application process, your child's pathway course and degree will be packaged into one program. This means that upon acceptance, the student will receive a joint letter of offer from the College and the University of Adelaide. Your child will then be able to apply for a student visa that will cover the full duration of their study program in Australia. This ensures they don't need to apply more than once or pay additional fees.



SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

SUPPORT ON ARRIVAL

- If your child is under 18 years of age, or if they would prefer the convenience, the College will arrange an airport pick-up
- Orientation to local sites and facilities
- Assistance with public transport
- Social welcome events to meet other students and make friends
- Orientation to the University of Adelaide campus

WELFARE WHILE STUDYING

Students are encouraged to meet with the College Student Services team at any time to discuss any problems or concerns. A Student Services Coordinator also closely supervises under-18 students with regular meetings and reports back to parents.

The support network continues at the University, with a range of services available to help students, including a specialised International Student Support office with advisors who can provide individual one-on-one support.

ACADEMIC AND CAREERS SUPPORT

Supporting your child throughout their study program is our top priority.

The College's full-time Student Services team closely monitor the academic performance of students and assist with any issues related to managing their study and workload. Students can also access one-on-one learning support sessions across all subjects at the Student Resource Centre.

Once students commence at the University they will have access to:

- Careers Services including a Career Access Mentoring program, career expos and networking opportunities with top employers in Australia
- English and maths support through The Writing Centre and English and Maths Learning Centres
- Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS)

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

The University of Adelaide College Social Club is a great opportunity for new students to make friends and adjust to life in Adelaide.

All students of the College can also access the 150 different clubs and societies offered at the University of Adelaide! They will have the chance to join Adelaide University Sport or visit one of the Fitness Hubs for access to a fully equipped gym on campus.





THE TEACHERS WERE EXTREMELY HELPFUL AND ALWAYS TREATED ME WITH KINDNESS AND CARE. IN PARTICULAR, I APPRECIATE HOW PATIENT THEY WERE ESPECIALLY WHEN I FIRST ARRIVED AND STRUGGLED TO COMMUNICATE.

**Jenefer Yee,
Malaysia**

Foundation Studies pathway to Bachelor of Nursing at the University of Adelaide



THE FOUNDATION STUDIES TEACHERS AND STAFF ARE VERY EXPERIENCED IN TAKING STUDENTS THROUGH THE PATHWAY PROGRAM. I HAVE SEEN THE SUPPORT LENG HAS BEEN GIVEN; FROM HELPING HIM TO SETTLE IN DURING THE FIRST FEW WEEKS, TO A LEARNING EXPERIENCE THAT HAS MADE HIM MORE INDEPENDENT AND PREPARED HIM FOR UNIVERSITY LIFE.

HE HAS GAINED MANY SKILLS OVER THIS TIME, ESPECIALLY IN CRITICAL THINKING WHICH I THINK WILL REALLY HELP HIM AS HE FOLLOWS A CAREER IN MEDICINE.

**Leng Fung Kien Hoe,
Malaysia**

Son studied Foundation Studies pathway to Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at the University of Adelaide



MY SON, VINCENT, HAS BECOME A MORE RELAXED AND ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN CLASS. ENCOURAGING FEEDBACK FROM THE COLLEGE'S TEACHERS REALLY HELPED GROW HIS ACADEMIC CONFIDENCE.

**Eva Wong,
Hong Kong**

Son studying Foundation Studies pathway to Bachelor of Arts at the University of Adelaide

ACCOMMODATION

There are several accommodation options for international students depending on your child's individual needs:

URBANEST AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE

Located across the road from the University's main campus, students will benefit from the community environment and study spaces provided, shared with undergraduate and postgraduate students. Electricity, water, internet and contents insurance are included in the weekly rent. With a range of room types available the property is safe and secure, with a 24/7 dedicated onsite team and swipe card access for all rooms.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE VILLAGE

If you're looking for other affordable studio or shared apartment options, there are more student residence options available. The Village is a purpose-built student community, located in the Adelaide central business district.

HOMESTAY WITH A LOCAL FAMILY

If you want your child to have an immersive experience, and you like the idea of them living with a local Australian family, then this might be the best option. While your child is staying with a homestay family, they will be well taken care of and it's also a great way to practise English language skills outside the classroom.

UNDER THE AGE OF 18?

It's our goal at the College to make sure all our students are looked after. But, we take special care of our younger students.

Accommodation

Students under 18 years of age can choose between a homestay, or a room in the approved under-18 accommodation provider, urbanest at the University of Adelaide.

Our dedicated Student Services Manager of Accommodation will arrange finding the right fit for each student, from personally placing students in homestays, to being on hand 24/7 to help with any questions or adjustments.

Welfare Support

Parents will be happy to know that all under-18 students are assigned a teacher to make sure they're adjusting to their new life in Australia. The College also closely supervises the academic performance of all under-18 students with fortnightly meetings and reports back to parents monthly. If you have any further questions please email welfare@adelaide.edu.au



PREPARING FOR AND APPLYING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE COLLEGE

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To make sure your child is fully prepared to commence study, it's important they check the level of academic merit and English proficiency required for their application to be considered.

More information on entry requirements can be found here:

The University of Adelaide College:
<https://college.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/entry-requirements/>

HOW TO APPLY

These five steps provide a useful guide to the application process for the College or the University, depending on your child's pathway to tertiary study in Australia.



- 1**
**APPLY**
Submit your application form along with the necessary documents
 - Application form
 - Academic qualifications / school reports
 - English proficiency document
 - Passport
 - Genuine Temporary Entrant checklist (if required)
- 2**
**RECEIVE OFFER**
Successful applications will receive an Offer of Admission
- 3**
**ACCEPT AND PAY**
Sign and return your offer. Make payment
- 4**
**CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT (CoE)**
Applicants will receive Confirmation of Enrolment
- 5**
**APPLY FOR VISA**
You are now ready to apply for your student visa

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

STUDENT VISAS

Before your child departs they'll need to ensure they have a valid student visa and passport to enter, live in and leave Australia during their degree. Comprehensive information about how to apply for a student visa and terms and conditions can be found on the Department of Home Affairs student visa website:

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder/study>

CHECKLIST

Here are some of the key things that you and your child need to prepare and consider before they travel overseas to study abroad:

- Organise Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)
- Consider finances, including learning how to set up a bank account in Australia and purchasing Australian currency to allow for transit expenditure
- Organise travel insurance in case your child's luggage is lost or stolen en route to Australia
- Become familiar with Australian Customs and Quarantine information
- Prepare a folder of documents containing: valid passport and visa, Confirmation of Enrolment letter, original or certified copies of academic transcripts and qualifications, any other ID documents, medical records and prescriptions

TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR CHILD ADJUST

- Set up a safe arrival call/email and once your child is settled, an ongoing schedule that works for both of you
- Prepare plans for emergency situations such as stolen wallet/passport, missed flight or injury. It will keep your stress levels down and ensure your child has a plan of attack
- Research the city, the College and the University, and make yourself familiar with the services available. This will



help set your expectations and show your interest and involvement

- Discuss the cross-cultural exchange and encourage your child to become involved in social activities and networking opportunities
- Encourage them to create a budget in Australian currency. Discuss how they will access money for both everyday financial needs and in case of emergencies
- Provide reassurance. Tell your child that you are confident they are capable of handling whatever might arise, and that there are many support resources available

EMERGENCY CONTACT

We ask that you encourage your child to download the Sonder app. Sonder is a 24/7 personal safety and wellbeing service available via phone and live chat, with in-person assistance if needed. Your child can use Sonder whenever they feel concerned or unsure about a situation. For example:

- Walking alone at night
- Buying or selling to strangers
- On a first date
- Sick or injured
- Feeling stressed, anxious, lonely and don't know who to turn to.



You or your child can also phone the 24-hour emergency contact at the College on +61 (0)400 807 815 if you have emergency.

If your child is in immediate danger or needs urgent medical attention, they should call 000 for the police, fire and ambulance services.



FEES

Please refer to the below web pages for a detailed list of all fees per area of study:

The University of Adelaide College:
<https://college.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/fees/>

The University of Adelaide:
<https://www.adelaide.edu.au/student/finance/international/>

SCHOLARSHIPS

There are a wide variety of international scholarships available at the University of Adelaide. To check if your child might be eligible, please visit: <https://international.adelaide.edu.au/admissions/scholarships#scholarships>.

For information on scholarships at the University of Adelaide College, please contact your local sales representative.

COST OF LIVING

Adelaide is considered the most affordable mainland city in Australia. International students can access discounted (or free) public transport, and there are a broad range of accommodation options to suit every budget.

Here is an example of a typical weekly budget of a student living out of home in Adelaide:[^]



Rent*
 \$145 - \$385



Food
 \$100 - \$135



Electricity + Gas
 \$40 - \$55[†]



Public transport
 \$25 - \$35



Phone / Internet
 \$25 - \$40



Other
 (entertainment, clothes, etc)
 \$55+

Total: from \$390 (\$20,290 annually)
 This should be viewed as a guide only for a single student.

[^]This should be viewed as a guide only for a single student. ^{*}Based on single room. Accommodation costs can vary significantly based on location, type and arrangement. [†] Gas and electricity often included in University-managed accommodation.

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