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Live

Australia is one of the best places in the world to live while you learn. The standard of living is amongst the highest in the world, yet costs remain competitive. During your breaks from study, you will have a wide choice of activities to enrich your experience - from cultural festivals, concerts and museums, to major sporting events.

Learn

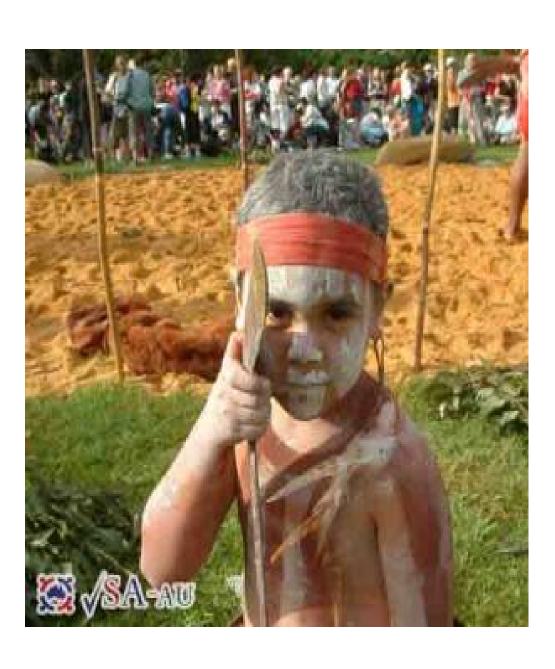
Australian education has a strong international reputation for excellence. Whether you study at a university, school, vocational or English language institute, you will receive a quality education that will form a strong foundation for your future success.





Grow

 The benefits of living and learning in Australia are both personal and academic. Your years in Australia will give you the best platform to succeed in your career, and prepare you for the challenges of the work place. It won't just be your mind that develops your time in the classroom will change you as a person.



The People

Australia's population in mid-2005 was 20,265,000. Population density is among the lowest in the world, with an average of 2.5 people per square kilometre – no-one's within cooee (shouting distance) in the outback. Most people live along the eastern seaboard, with a smaller concentration on the southwestern coast. Living in one of the world's most culturally diverse countries -23% is foreign-born – Australians incorporate a wide variety of influences into the way they live and play.

The Places





 Australia's states and territories each have unique characteristics. Explore one at a time or, when your studies have finished, visit them all in one big loop! This would mean over 14,000km of highway, including side trips to beaches, forests, mountains, country towns... If you'd rather not go far from where you're studying, you'll still find there's plenty to keep you entertained.





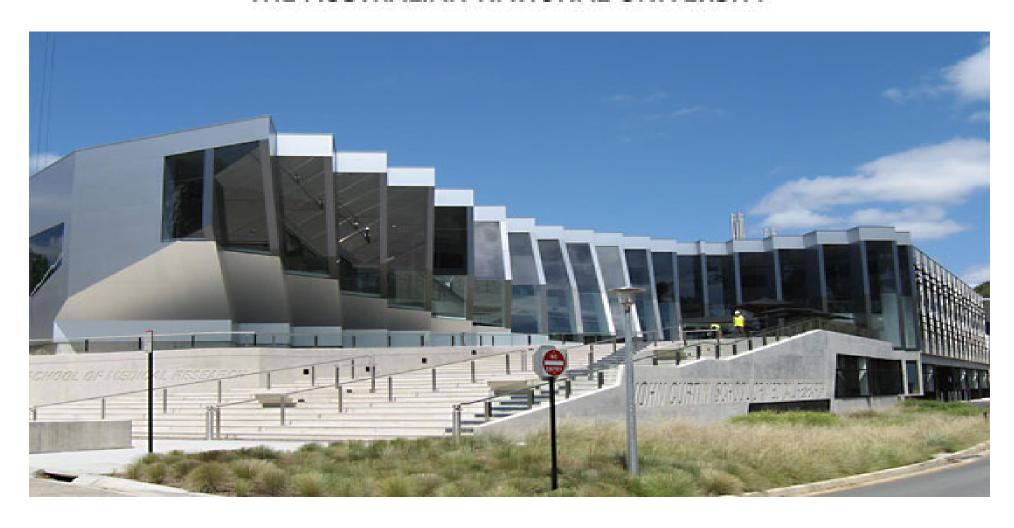
Australian schools

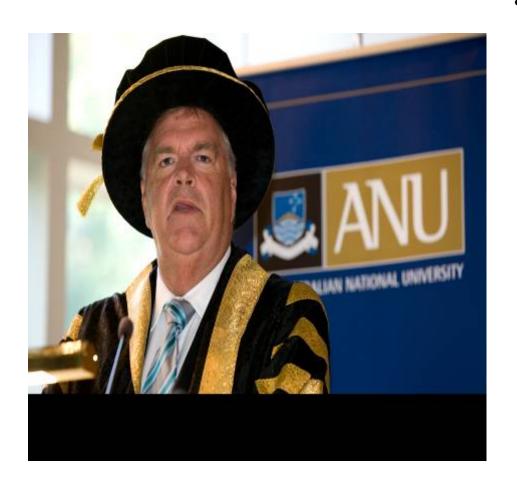
- Australian schools encourage students to develop communication skills, self discipline, problem solving abilities and respect for themselves, others and society. All schools take their responsibilities to students very seriously. Pupils are provided with support, supervision and regular encouragement.
- Australian schools are places of personal, intellectual, and emotional growth. Teachers give students regular feedback about their studies and in-class behaviour. Parents have open access to information regarding their child's progress and well-being.
- Schooling in Australia starts with a kindergarten or preparatory year followed by 12 years of primary and secondary school. Australia offers government and non-government schools. Some schools are coeducational, teaching boys and girls; others teach girls only or boys only.





THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY





Australian National University rated as 17th best university in World University Rankings. The Australian National University is one of the world's foremost research universities. Distinguished by its relentless pursuit of excellence, ANU attracts leading academics and outstanding students from Australia and around the world. The primary educational objective of ANU is to become the university of choice for talented students locally, nationally and internationally by offering a unique range of research-led degree programs. Graduate education continues as one of the major focuses of the University and about one quarter of the total enrolment is undertaking post-graduate study. Regardless of whether those students are enrolled in the Institute of Advanced Studies or the Faculties, the full resources of both and of University Centres are available to them through the Graduate School.







The University of Notre Dame Australia is a small, private Catholic University committed to ensuring that students receive a personalized, high quality education. It offers a caring and friendly learning environment, providing courses that are challenging, relevant and responsive to student, employer and community needs. The University has four campuses, one in the historic port city of Fremantle, one in the beautiful coastal town of Broome in north-west Western Australia and two campuses in Sydney which offically opened in 2006.



Study costs

- There is no doubt that Australia is the perfect place to enjoy a quality education and outstanding quality of life. What makes it even better is that Australia offers excellent value for money, with living expenses and tuition costs comparable to the United Kingdom and Unites States.
- Australians enjoy one of the highest standards of living in the world - without the expensive price tag. An average international student in Australia will spend about A\$360 a week on accommodation, food, clothing, entertainment, transport and telephone. Remember, though, that this figure depends on your location, lifestyle and even your course. You should seek further information on living costs from your institution.





Living costs in Australia

- From 1 January 2010, the basic rate of living costs under the Migration regulations increased. Under these regulations prospective student visa applicants and their family members must have access to the following funds to meet the living costs requirements:
- A\$18,000 a year for the main student;
- A\$6,300 a year for the student's partner;
- A\$3,600 a year for the student's first child; and
- A\$2,700 a year for every other child and where required.
- Students must demonstrate that the funds they are relying upon to meet the costs of studying in Australia will be genuinely available to them during their stay in Australia.

