



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**WESTERN  
AUSTRALIA**

# Study Abroad and Exchange Course Guide 2018-2019

Global Learning Office



# Welcome to UWA



## UWA Student Guild

We have a vibrant student life with social activities on campus organised by the UWA Student Guild, the representative student organisation.

The UWA Student Guild has a reputation for being one of the most active in Australia and provides:

- students with discounts on campus, shops, activities and services around Perth
- countless activities including festivals, workshops, end-of-semester parties, networking opportunities, the Guild Ball (formal dance) and the National Campus Band competition
- extra support for academic, financial or welfare matters affecting your study
- more than 140 clubs and societies for you to join.

## Unleash your inner athlete with UWA Sport

- Access more than 50 group fitness classes a week or utilise the state-of-the-art equipment and multiple training zones with your gym membership
- Visit the Watersports Complex on the beautiful foreshore at Matilda Bay – home to the UWA Boat Club and Outdoor Club
- Take part in numerous social sports, clubs and fun programs
- Choose from a wide range of activities such as stand up paddle boarding, rock climbing or yoga to name a few, or participate in outdoor day-trips
- The Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) endorses UWA as a member of the national Elite Athlete Friendly University Network
- Take on another faculty or college, or choose to represent UWA at high-level sporting competitions such as Western Uni Games and Australian Uni Games

[sport.uwa.edu.au](http://sport.uwa.edu.au)



Check out what our current students get up to:

 [uwastudents](https://www.facebook.com/uwastudents) |  [uwa\\_students](https://twitter.com/uwa_students) |  [uwastudents](https://www.instagram.com/uwastudents) |  [uwastudents](https://www.youtube.com/uwastudents) |  [uwastudents](https://www.snapchat.com/add/uwastudents)



## The Guild Village

The Guild Village is a hive of activity which houses shops, food outlets, a medical centre, hairdresser, bank and other useful student amenities.

Market Day is on regularly where you can buy inexpensive, locally made clothes, jewellery and more.

[uwastudentguild.com](http://uwastudentguild.com)



## Volunteering

The Guild Volunteering office helps students find their ideal volunteering role. Many opportunities will be added to your degree transcript and you can choose from a range of fields.



# Why choose UWA?



## Globally recognised course structure

aligned with leading European, Asian and North American universities

Internationally recognised

Ranked in the world's Top

1%  


and **1st** in Western Australia  
*(QS 2018)*



**5 stars+** for research, teaching, internationalisation, specialist criteria, employability, facilities, innovation and inclusiveness

*(QS Stars University Ratings)*



1st in Australia for graduate starting salary

*(Good Universities Guide 2017)*

**UWA alumni become world leaders**

Nobel Laureate  
**Professor Barry Marshall**

Mecca Cosmetics founder  
**Jo Horgan**

CEO Greenpeace Australia Pacific  
**David Ritter**

Former prime minister  
**Bob Hawke**

and many more...

Ranked in the world's

**TOP 50**

- Earth and Marine Sciences
- Agriculture and Forestry
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Psychology
- Performing Arts
- Mineral and Mining Engineering
- Civil and Structural Engineering

*(QS 2017)*



Gain **valuable experience** by volunteering with Guild Volunteering



Well-established industry partnerships



**Experience**  
art and culture in the  
Cultural Precinct

Enjoy a vibrant  
student life



**5**  
colleges close  
to campus



Join one of  
**140<sup>+</sup>**  
clubs and  
societies



Study with  
**friends** at our  
refurbished libraries



Learn a new  
**sport** or join a  
team with UWA Sport



Enjoy great **food and  
coffee** at one of our  
many cafés

# Fast facts

## Cultural diversity

Perth offers a **safe and friendly** environment. People of more than 200 different nationalities live, work and study in WA, speaking over 170 languages ([studyperth.com.au](http://studyperth.com.au))



## Getting around

International students receive a Western Australian government-sponsored 40 per cent discount on all public transport. Don't forget the free buses called CATs operate around the central business district (CBD).



**Government:**  
**Democratic**  
(Westminster system)

**FREE WiFi**   
**in the CBD**

**Australia's**  
**most affordable**  
**capital city.**

(Worldwide Cost of Living Survey 2017,  
Economist Intelligence Unit)

# Life in Perth

Perth is Australia's fourth-largest city and capital of the thriving State of Western Australia. It offers an inspiring study environment with sunny weather, a relaxed outdoor environment and beautiful natural scenery.

Perth holds international appeal with strong cultural diversity and urban sophistication.

Perth's culture scene offers an array of activities, with plenty of festivals, eateries, modern bars and weekend markets adding flavour to the city and its suburbs.

[study.uwa.edu.au/international-students/life-in-perth](http://study.uwa.edu.au/international-students/life-in-perth)



TRIGG BEACH  


**5km to Perth CBD**  
(11 minutes by car, 14 minutes by bus)

**4.2km to Elizabeth Quay**  
(7 minutes by car, 19 minutes by bicycle)

**6.3km to Cottesloe Beach**  
(11 minutes by car, 27 minutes by bus)

**1.2km to Kings Park and Botanic Garden**  
(16 minutes walking)

**22km to Perth International Airport**  
(30 minutes by car)

COTTESLOE BEACH  


INDIAN OCEAN

FREMANTLE

SWAN RIVER

UWA

KINGS PARK

ELIZABETH QUAY

PERTH CBD

PERTH AIRPORT  




## Weather

Western Australia has a warm climate, with temperatures climbing above 30 degrees Celsius for much of the summer and rarely going below 15 degrees Celsius during the day in winter.

## Seasons

Summer: December – February  
Autumn: March – May  
Winter: June – August  
Spring: September – November

## Religion:

Complete religious freedom



## Time zone

# GMT+8

(same time zone as 60% of the world's population)

Perth's population



# 2.02 million



Language:

# English

# Connecting you to industry

At UWA you'll not only receive a world-class education, you'll have the opportunity to gain valuable experience to prepare you for your future career.

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Our extensive employer engagement and collaborations provide you with practical, real-world experiences in addition to valuable professional networking opportunities.

These partnerships enable you to take part in a number of activities including:

- for-credit placements/practicums
- volunteering opportunities through Guild Volunteering
- internships with the McCusker Centre for Citizenship

**[study.uwa.edu.au/industry](http://study.uwa.edu.au/industry)**

Bloom is a community of young people creating amazing things. The BloomLab co-working space is home to 50 young entrepreneurs and counting. Bloom provides workshops, co-working spaces, mentoring and more to accelerate the growth of high-potential young entrepreneurs.

**[bloom.org.au](http://bloom.org.au)**

Our Careers Centre can help you design your future, supporting you with employability skills workshops, employer and networking events, career fairs, online jobs board, mentoring and more.

**[careers.uwa.edu.au](http://careers.uwa.edu.au)**



# How can I study at UWA?

## Exchange

If your university or college has a formal student exchange agreement with UWA, you can apply to study with us as an exchange student. This means you don't pay tuition fees at UWA, but continue to pay the tuition fees of your home university or college.

There are other costs that you will need to consider, such as Overseas Student Health Cover (medical insurance), accommodation, books, transport and living expenses. See page 18 for an estimate of the costs to study at UWA.

## Study abroad

If your university or college does not have a formal student exchange agreement with UWA, or if there is an agreement but the allocated number of places at UWA have been filled, or if you have completed high school but not yet enrolled at a university, you can study with us as a study abroad student.

To study on this basis, tuition fees are payable. The fees are based on a standard enrolment of 24 points<sup>1</sup> per semester.

[study.uwa.edu.au/global](http://study.uwa.edu.au/global)

Study Abroad and Exchange students have the same rights and privileges enjoyed by other UWA students and must also abide by the same rules and regulations. When you complete your studies at UWA, you will be considered an official alumnus of the University.

<sup>1</sup>Enrolling in additional credit in excess of 24 points per semester will result in additional fees.



# What can I study?

## Undergraduate study

UWA's undergraduate curriculum provides you with an extensive range of majors and increased flexibility to build your own study plan according to your interests and the credit requirements of your home university. You can choose courses at different levels and across more than one discipline, provided you meet the academic prerequisites. Choose units from the following undergraduate majors.

### Bachelor of Arts

- Anthropology and Sociology
- Archaeology
- Architecture
- Asian Studies
- Chinese
- Classics and Ancient History
- Communication and Media Studies
- English and Cultural Studies
- Fine Arts
- French Studies
- German Studies
- History
- History of Art
- Human Geography and Planning
- Indigenous Knowledge, History and Heritage
- Indonesian
- Italian Studies
- Japanese
- Korean Studies
- Landscape Architecture
- Law and Society
- Linguistics
- Music Specialist Studies
- Music Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science and International Relations
- Psychology in Society
- Psychology
- Work and Employment Relations

### Bachelor of Commerce

- Accounting
- Business Law
- Economics
- Finance
- Human Resource Management
- Management
- Marketing
- Professional Economics

### Bachelor of Science

- Agricultural Science
- Anatomy and Human Biology
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Botany
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Conservation Biology
- Data Science
- Engineering Science
- Environmental Science
- Exercise and Health
- Genetics
- Geographical Sciences
- Geology
- Marine Science
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Natural Resource Management
- Neuroscience
- Physics
- Physiology
- Psychological Science
- Psychology
- Science Communication
- Sport Science
- Zoology

### Bachelor of Biomedical Science

- Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing
- Anatomy and Human Biology
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Exercise and Health
- Genetics
- Medical Sciences
- Microbiology and Immunology
- Neuroscience
- Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
- Pharmacology
- Physiology
- Population Health
- Science Communication

## Postgraduate study

Postgraduate coursework or research opportunities are available at the discretion of each faculty. Research opportunities are subject to the availability of a supervisor and may take some time to arrange.

## Research

UWA is a leading research institution with prestigious links to thought leaders around the world. Many of our courses encourage students to explore research, so there may be opportunities for you to undertake research during your undergraduate studies. If you would like to pursue undergraduate research during your time at UWA, you will need to confirm all arrangements prior to arrival. Contact the Global Learning Office for more information.

If you are interested in graduate research, you will need to contact a Graduate Research Coordinator in the appropriate school to discuss a proposed research topic and confirm the availability of your preferred supervisor before contacting the Global Learning Office. Visit [postgraduate.uwa.edu.au/contact/coordinators](https://postgraduate.uwa.edu.au/contact/coordinators) for a list of Graduate Research Coordinators.

# Selecting your classes

## How many units can I take?

Study Abroad and Exchange students must enrol in a full academic load of 24 points per semester. Most units are worth six points, so this generally works out to four units per semester.

Typically, most units are offered for a semester, but some must be taken for a full year.

## How do I select my units?

You can use the online Handbook to browse through units offered at UWA. All units consist of four letters detailing the discipline of the unit (such as ECON for Economics, PSYC for Psychology) and four numbers.

- Units with numbers beginning from 1 to 3 are generally undergraduate units. A code beginning with 1 represents first-year level studies, 2 represents second-year level studies and so on.
- Units with a number beginning with 4 is generally an honours-level unit and may require a minimum of three years' study prior to enrolling. Please note honours-level units are not always available to Study Abroad and Exchange students.

- Some units coded 3xxx and 4xxx are common to both postgraduate and undergraduate programs.
- Units with numbers beginning with 5 and above are postgraduate level and may require a minimum of three years' tertiary study in a relevant field prior to enrolling.
- The Bachelor of Law program has been replaced by the Juris Doctor. As such, there are several restrictions to which Law units Study Abroad and Exchange students can enrol in. For more information, contact the Global Learning Office.
- Postgraduate Psychology units are not available to Study Abroad and Exchange students.

## Location

You should normally only select units offered at the Perth campus. If you are interested in units offered at our Albany campus (a rural city five hours' drive south of Perth), contact the Global Learning Office.

## Prerequisites

You will need to meet the relevant academic prerequisites both in level and content.

## Teaching period

You should normally select units which are offered in Semester 1 or Semester 2. If you wish to choose units offered in other study periods, contact the Global Learning Office.

## Academic year

The UWA academic year runs from late February to late November. If you are studying for two semesters and commencing in Semester 2, you will not be able to make your unit selection for your second semester until around late October when new units for the following academic year will be available.

Find out more

[study.uwa.edu.au/global-classes](http://study.uwa.edu.au/global-classes)



# Academic requirements

## High school students

At the time of application, you should have completed a high school qualification in accordance with the admission requirements for entry to the relevant bachelor's degree program at UWA (for example, BA).

## Undergraduate students

To study at UWA as a Study Abroad or Exchange student, you should normally:

- have completed one semester of tertiary study at a recognised institution
- have a nomination from your home university to participate in the UWA Study Abroad or Exchange Program or, if no formal agreement exists, complete the Home University Authorisation form<sup>1</sup>
- be in Good Academic Standing at your home university
- meet UWA's English language competency requirements at the time of application.

## Postgraduate students

Admission to postgraduate courses normally requires the completion of an undergraduate or bachelor's or first cycle degree. There may be some flexibility with this rule at the discretion of the relevant faculty.

## English requirements

Study Abroad and Exchange students typically need to meet the normal English requirements of UWA.

[study.uwa.edu.au/elc](http://study.uwa.edu.au/elc)

Please note there may be special arrangements in place with your home institution regarding language if you are an exchange partner. Visit your institution's Global Learning Office for more details.

## What if my English is not good enough?

Students who do not meet the standard English entry requirements may be eligible for admission based on a concessional score (see table on page 14) provided they enrol in at least one of two English Language and Academic Communication units (HUMA1901 and HUMA1902). These are credit-bearing units (6 points) which focus on English language and academic communication skills for tertiary study. The units are taught by staff from the Faculty of Arts. You can study one or both units alongside one or two units as part of your semester enrolment. Check with the UWA Global Learning Office for more information. Other non-academic English courses are available at the Centre for English Language Teaching. For further information [celt.uwa.edu.au](http://celt.uwa.edu.au)

<sup>1</sup> Students applying through UWA direct partnerships (e.g. University partnership, Government or Private Sponsor), are not required to submit a Home University Authorisation on the understanding that they have been through a selective screening process. All other students must include a Home University Authorisation form with their application.



# English Language Requirements



## English entry requirements

### QUALIFICATION EQUIVALENTS

Danish Studentereksamen

GCE A-level

GCE AS-level (General Paper)

GCE A-level (Singapore-Cambridge)

GCE O-level (GCSE and IGCSE)

German Abitur

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)

IELTS (Academic)

International Baccalaureate Diploma (IB)

Netherlands VWO High School Certificate (Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs)

Norwegian Vitnemal

Pearsons Test of English (PTE) (Academic)

Swedish Slutbetyg

TOEFL

### UWA REQUIREMENTS

English B; minimum grade of 10

English A; minimum grade of 6 (prior to 2007), minimum grade of 02 (from 2007)

Minimum grade in E in English Language, English Literature or English Language and Literature

Minimum grade C awarded by CIE

Minimum grade E in Knowledge and Inquiry

Minimum grade C in General Paper

Minimum grade C/C6 in English, English Language, English (First Language) or English Literature

Minimum grade A in IGCSE English as a Second Language, with grade one (1) in Oral/Aural Communication

Minimum grade 3, in conjunction with a minimum grade B in DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Certificate of Language Proficiency test

Core English Language, minimum level 4

Literature in English elective, minimum level 3

Overall minimum score of 6.5, no band lower than 6.0 (must include Academic Reading and Writing modules)<sup>1</sup>

English A1 at SL; minimum score 4, or at HL; minimum score 3

English A2 at SL; minimum score 4, or at HL; minimum score 3

English B at HL; minimum score 5

English A: Literature at SL; minimum score 4, or at HL; minimum score 3

English A: Language and Literature at SL; minimum score 4, or at HL; minimum score 3

Literature and Performance (SL); minimum score 4

A Minimum grade 8 in the English component

Minimum grade 4 in the English component

An overall score of 64 with a minimum score of 59 in the speaking and writing sections, and no less than 54 in the other sections<sup>1</sup>

Minimum grade VG/C in English paper

Internet-based TOEFL (iBT): an overall score of 82 or above with a minimum score of 22 in writing, 18 in reading, 20 in speaking and 20 in listening

Paper-based TOEFL: an overall score of 570 with Essay Rating/Test of Written English (TWE) of 4.5<sup>1</sup>

For a full list of the University's English language requirements, refer to [study.uwa.edu.au/elc](http://study.uwa.edu.au/elc)

<sup>1</sup> Results are valid for two years only.

# Help with English language Skills

The University offers a choice of English language programs through the Centre for English Language Teaching (CELT) to prepare international students for tertiary academic study.

## UWA Centre for English Language Teaching

UWA CELT offers accredited English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students (ELICOS) programs in General English, Business English and English for Academic Purposes, as well as preparation for internationally recognised examinations such as the IELTS and Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

## Academic English and Study Skills Bridging Course (Bridging Course)

The Bridging Course has been designed for international students who wish to study at UWA but do not have the University's required level of English proficiency. The course is also suitable for students with unconditional entry into UWA who would like to further develop their language ability and confidence before commencing tertiary study.

A 70% pass in the Bridging Course meets the University's English language requirement for most undergraduate and postgraduate courses; however, some postgraduate courses have a higher English language requirement.

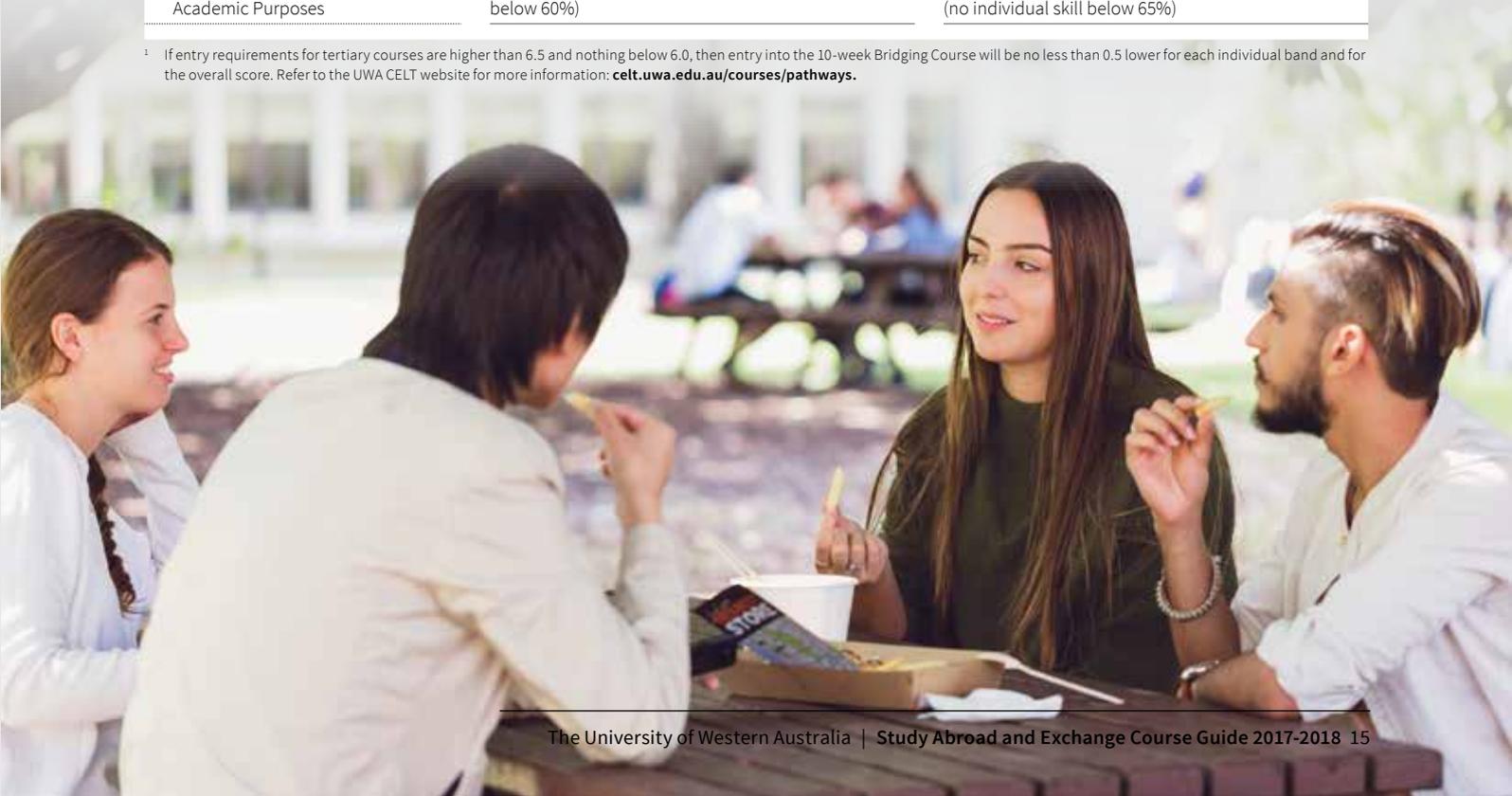
[celt.uwa.edu.au](http://celt.uwa.edu.au)

[study.uwa.edu.au/elc](http://study.uwa.edu.au/elc)

### Bridging Course minimum entry requirements

REQUIREMENTS	20-week program	10-week program
IELTS	5.5 with no band score below 5.0	6.0 with no band score below 5.5 <sup>1</sup>
Internet-based TOEFL	58 with a minimum score of 18 in the writing section, 16 in the speaking section and 12 in the listening and reading sections	70 with a minimum score of 20 in the writing section, 19 in the speaking section, 17 in the listening section and 14 in the reading section
Cambridge First Certificate in English	Minimum score of 60 and borderline for each skill	Minimum score of 75 and good for each skill
Pearson Test of English (Academic)	Overall score of 49 with no individual score below 42	Overall score of 54 with no individual score below 54
UWA CELT General English	Upper-intermediate with a minimum of 70% (no individual skill below 60%)	Pre-advanced with a minimum of 69% (no individual skill below 65%)
UWA CELT English for Academic Purposes	Minimum of 65% (no individual skill below 60%)	Minimum of 69% (no individual skill below 65%)

<sup>1</sup> If entry requirements for tertiary courses are higher than 6.5 and nothing below 6.0, then entry into the 10-week Bridging Course will be no less than 0.5 lower for each individual band and for the overall score. Refer to the UWA CELT website for more information: [celt.uwa.edu.au/courses/pathways](http://celt.uwa.edu.au/courses/pathways).



# Find your home away from home

We understand how important it is to you and your family to find good quality accommodation close to the campus. There are many accommodation options open to international students designed to suit different needs.

## Living on campus

Living on campus gives you an immediate sense of belonging and an instant circle of friends from across Australia and around the world.

UWA's five residential colleges – St Catherine's College, St George's College, St Thomas More College, Trinity and University Hall – each offer a valuable dimension to your UWA experience.

On-campus accommodation is located directly opposite the University and offers you a world-class living and learning environment. The colleges provide academic support; a full calendar of sporting, cultural and social events; leadership opportunities; and fantastic facilities in a warm and welcoming home away from home.

[uwa.edu.au/colleges](http://uwa.edu.au/colleges)

## When to apply

The portal will accept your application up to 12 months before you want to live on campus. We recommend you apply as soon as possible and before receiving your offer from UWA.

### How to apply

1. Research the colleges to decide which suits you best.
2. Complete and submit your application via the online portal at [livingoncampus.uwa.edu.au](http://livingoncampus.uwa.edu.au).
3. Your application will be sent to your first preference college.





**St Catherine's College**  
stcatherines.uwa.edu.au



**St George's College**  
stgeorgescollege.uwa.edu.au



**St Thomas More College**  
stmc.uwa.edu.au



**Trinity**  
trinity.uwa.edu.au



**University Hall**  
unihall.uwa.edu.au

## Overview of 2017 residential college fees and charges<sup>1</sup>

	St Catherine's College	St George's College	St Thomas More College <sup>2</sup>	Trinity	University Hall <sup>2</sup>
Weekly fee <sup>2</sup>	AUD\$465	AUD\$499	AUD\$385	AUD\$433	AUD\$355
2018 standard year fee <sup>3</sup>	AUD\$18,600	AUD\$19,450	AUD\$15,400	AUD\$17,320	AUD\$14,555
Number of weeks in a standard year <sup>4</sup>	40	39	40	40	41
Additional one off fees (approximate only) <sup>5</sup>	AUD\$2400	AUD\$1990	AUD\$1340	AUD\$990	AUD\$350
College numbers	400	220	400	375	750

## Living off campus

Crawley Village is a group of houses, units and studio apartments owned and operated by UWA that are offered unfurnished or with partial furnishings.

Properties are located within walking distance of the Perth campus, shops, cafes and restaurants, banks and other amenities, and are ideally suited to postgraduate students or students with families.

You can rent an apartment, unit or house on your own or you can share with others. Whether you choose to rent a UWA-owned property or one that is privately or commercially listed, please note that you will take full responsibility for the property and sign a rental contract.

As a guide, the average cost of renting or leasing an unfurnished one or two-bedroom unit close to UWA is between AUD\$285 and AUD\$450 per week.

There are also establishment costs to consider, such as a bond. Other costs, such as electricity and/or gas, telephone and food, are usually not included in the weekly rent.

**[study.uwa.edu.au/live-off-campus](http://study.uwa.edu.au/live-off-campus)**

UWA Accommodation provides an online housing database for UWA students. International students who have been offered a place at UWA, but have not yet enrolled, can still create an account and access the database. This searchable database includes properties listed by UWA students or staff members who have a vacant property to rent or other UWA students looking to share a property.

**[study.uwa.edu.au/housing-database](http://study.uwa.edu.au/housing-database)**

- (1) The fees overview should be read in conjunction with each college's fee schedule. Weekly fees vary based on room and package type. Prices quoted are for 2017 and are meant to give an indication of costs only. Fees for 2018 will be available late 2017. Check the individual college websites for the latest information.
- (2) The weekly fee quoted for University Hall and St Thomas More College includes 14 meals per week. Students are welcome to upgrade to 21 meals per week for an additional cost. All other colleges' rates are inclusive of 21 meals per week.
- (3) The standard yearly fee is for accommodation, meals, utilities and cleaning.
- (4) The UWA academic year comprises 34 weeks with a five-week summer break between semesters. The number of weeks in the standard year fee varies from college to college. Students can apply to stay on for extra days/weeks for a nominal daily/weekly rate if they wish to stay during the mid-year break. All first-year college students undertake one extra week of college living – Orientation Week. See associated charges for each college's Orientation Week.
- (5) Other annual fees apply such as a contingency fee, an internet fee, building and/or amenities fees and College Club membership. For a full list, refer to each individual college's website.

# Money matters

As a student you are eligible to receive discounts for experiences, food and drink, entertainment and more.



## Sightseeing Pass Australia

15% discount on select tours and attractions around Western Australia.<sup>1</sup>

[sightseeingpassaustralia.com](http://sightseeingpassaustralia.com)



## Boat Collective

50% off all floating sessions departing from Elizabeth Quay.<sup>1</sup>

[boatcollective.com.au](http://boatcollective.com.au)



## Segway Tours

20% off Segway tours in Perth, Fremantle and Rottneest.<sup>1</sup>

[segwaytourswa.com.au](http://segwaytourswa.com.au)



## STA Travel

Receive student discounted flights through STA Travel, located at the UWA Guild Village 1st Floor.

[statravel.com.au/uwa.htm](http://statravel.com.au/uwa.htm)



## UWA Student Guild

Around campus you can receive 10% off at the Guild's seven food and drink outlets.<sup>1</sup>



## Boost Juice

Vibe members discounts through the Boost Juice app only.

[vibe.boostjuice.com.au](http://vibe.boostjuice.com.au)



## Luna Palace Cinemas

Student concession discounts on movie tickets and cheap tickets on certain days of the week

[lunapalace.com.au](http://lunapalace.com.au)

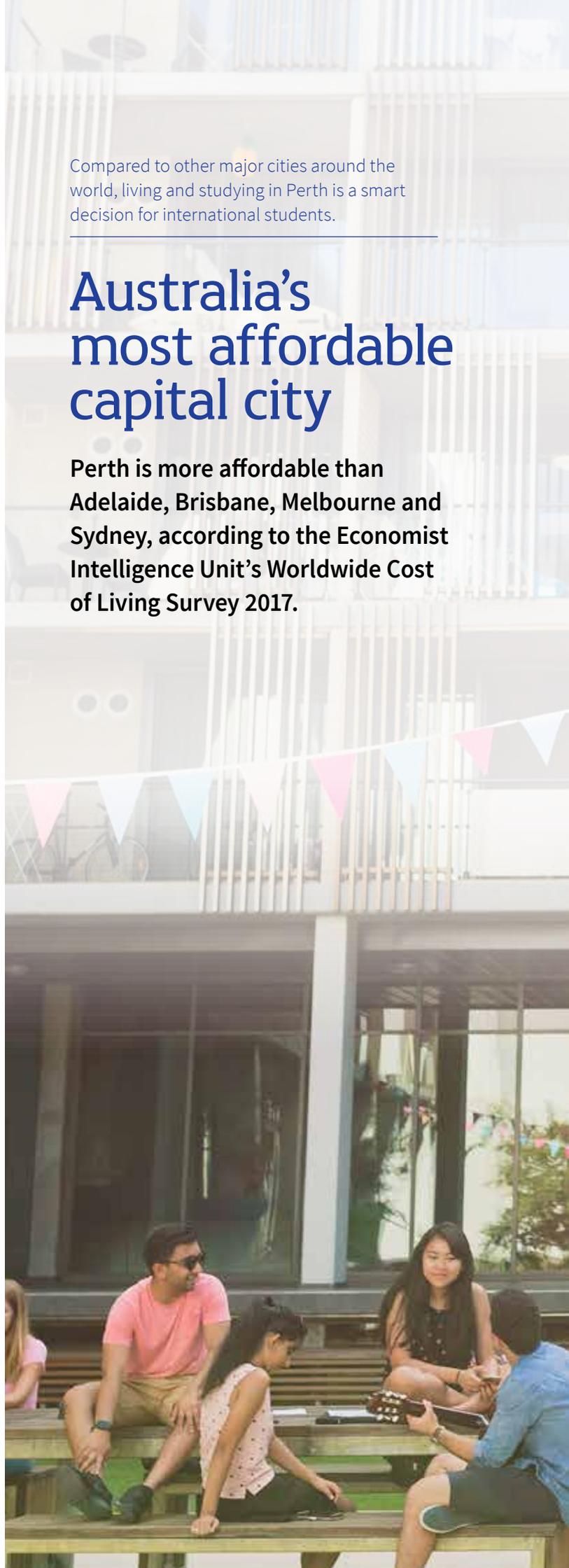
The UWA Student Guild currently has more than 100 Guild member discounts for various food, activities, fitness, shopping and services around Perth.

<sup>1</sup> Guild student discounts are available through the UWA Guild and are subject to change each year. To see the full list of special offers, visit [uwastudentguild.com/2017-guild-member-discounts](http://uwastudentguild.com/2017-guild-member-discounts).

Compared to other major cities around the world, living and studying in Perth is a smart decision for international students.

## Australia's most affordable capital city

Perth is more affordable than Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne and Sydney, according to the Economist Intelligence Unit's Worldwide Cost of Living Survey 2017.



### Cost of living

The annual cost of living in Perth depends on your lifestyle and type of accommodation you choose; however, AUD\$450-\$650 per week is generally sufficient for most single students to live comfortably (this does not include tuition fees or medical cover). Remember to consider extra funds to cover items such as airfares and textbooks. There may also be ancillary fees applicable to your course. **study.uwa.edu.au/cost-of-living**

### Working in Australia as an international student

Under the terms of a student visa, once an international student has commenced their course they may work up to 40 hours per fortnight while their course is in session and unlimited hours during scheduled course breaks. **border.gov.au**

### Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF)

The UWA Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) is a compulsory fee that directly benefits all UWA students. The fee is used to develop and provide a range of recreational facilities together with social, education and representation activities and services.

**study.uwa.edu.au/fees-scholarships**

### Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection requires international students applying for a student visa to have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the entire duration of their student visa. This is not applicable to students from Norway and Sweden who are covered under a separate arrangement.

OSHC is offered by a number of providers. You may obtain OSHC from the provider of your choice.

The University of Western Australia has a 'preferred provider' agreement with Allianz Global Assistance. On acceptance and payment of your offer, UWA will arrange health cover with Allianz Global Assistance for the duration of your student visa.

**study.uwa.edu.au/International-OSHC**

### Tuition fees

If you are an exchange student studying under the terms of a formal student exchange agreement, you will be exempt from paying tuition fees and the Student Services and Amenities Fee.

If you are not an exchange student, tuition fees and the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) will be payable on a semester basis. Tuition fees are calculated on a standard enrolment of 24 credits per semester.

Enrolments of more than 24 credits will be charged on a pro-rata basis. Visit **study.uwa.edu.au/global-apply** for the most up-to-date fee information.

# How to apply

## Applying as a student exchange student

If you are applying as an exchange student you must first be nominated by your university. Please follow these steps:

1

Check to see if your university is an exchange partner institution with UWA.



2

Arrange nomination with your home University, or if your university does not have an official agreement with UWA, submit an authorisation form to the UWA Global Learning Office using the authorisation form [study.uwa.edu.au/global-apply](http://study.uwa.edu.au/global-apply)



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After receiving an email from the UWA Global Learning Office, complete the online application, and include the compulsory application documents.



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Apply for accommodation. Refer to [study.uwa.edu.au/global-apply](http://study.uwa.edu.au/global-apply)



# How to apply

## Study abroad

### 01

#### Applying directly to UWA

If you do not need approval from your home university, you can apply online at [applicant.sims.uwa.edu.au/connect/webconnect](http://applicant.sims.uwa.edu.au/connect/webconnect). You will also need to complete the Home University Authorisation form.

### 02

#### Applying through a UWA representative overseas

UWA has representatives in more than 60 countries. Check whether your country has a UWA representative by visiting [study.uwa.edu.au/international-students/courses-and-entry-requirements/choosing-an-agent](http://study.uwa.edu.au/international-students/courses-and-entry-requirements/choosing-an-agent). You must be nominated by the UWA representative for the Study Abroad program at UWA. Once this nomination has been received, you will be sent an email from the UWA Global Learning Office with advice on how to apply online.

### 03

#### Applying through your home university

Your home university must nominate you for the Study Abroad program at UWA. Once this nomination has been received, you will be sent an email from the UWA Global Learning Office with advice on how to apply online.

#### Compulsory application documents

- a copy of your passport
- your original academic transcript (or a certified copy)
- a proposed study plan
- evidence of English language competency (if applicable).





## Contact us

Our Global Learning Office team is on hand to answer your questions about studying at UWA. Contact us about how uni works and how to apply, find out more about our courses and discover what life's like as a student.

For more information, you can email [studyabroad@uwa.edu.au](mailto:studyabroad@uwa.edu.au) or call (61) 8 6488 8199. [study.uwa.edu.au/global](http://study.uwa.edu.au/global)



# Important dates 2018

		FROM	TO
SEMESTER 1	Orientation Week	19 February	23 February
	Weeks 1 to 5	26 February	29 March
	Study break	2 April	6 April
	Weeks 6 to 13	9 April	1 June
	Study break	4 June	8 June
	Examination period	8 June	23 June
<b>BREAK</b>		<b>25 June</b>	<b>29 July</b>
SEMESTER 2	Orientation Week	23 July	27 July
	Weeks 1 to 8	30 July	21 September
	Study break	24 September	28 September
	Weeks 9 to 12	1 October	26 October
	Study break	29 October	1 November
	Examination period	2 November	17 November

## Uni terminology

Here are some of the most common terms you'll come across when studying at uni.

**Contact hours** – The hours a student is expected to spend in tutorials, lectures and/or labs.

**Faculty** – A faculty is a university division responsible for administering teaching and learning in a particular area of knowledge. Faculties include schools and centres within that teaching area.

**Full-time study** – At least 75 per cent study load (that is, three or four units) per semester.

**Grade Point Average (GPA)** – An index of academic performance calculated by converting a student's percentage marks/grades.

**Lab** – A class that takes place in a laboratory. Labs are practical classes involving experiments, investigation, construction, observation or testing.

**Lecture** – A class which involves the presentation of a particular topic, idea or subject to a large group of students. Lectures normally run for about 45 minutes and many are recorded so you can revise later.

**Level** – A ranking applied to a unit which indicates the amount of prior knowledge or maturity of learning required to study a unit successfully. A three-year undergraduate degree consists of Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 units.

**Major** – An area of specialisation which is comprised of an approved sequence of eight units within an undergraduate degree course.

**Postgraduate** – Higher-level university study generally undertaken upon the completion of a bachelor's degree.

**Prerequisite** – A subject or condition a person must satisfy before gaining entry to a unit or course.

**Tutorial** – A small class involving discussion which is facilitated by a tutor on a particular topic or idea (usually what has previously been presented in a lecture).

**Undergraduate** – A term which refers to a university student who is studying towards their first degree (bachelor's degree).

**Unit** – A subject usually studied for the duration of one semester. Units normally involve different classes – lectures, tutorials, seminars, labs etc.



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Australian Federal Government legislation requires providers of courses to international students to register their institution and the courses they offer. This register is called the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS). The Tertiary Education Quality Standards Agency (TEQSA) approves registration before a code is allocated and the details recorded on the CRICOS register. Providers and their agents must not promote a course to overseas students unless it is registered on CRICOS.

#### UWA is a smoke-free campus

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