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GUIDE
2015**

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WHY STUDY AT LA TROBE?



Melbourne Campus

Immerse yourself in one of the world's most unique destinations and experience stunning native Australian environments while studying at one of Australia's most beautiful universities.

As a La Trobe student, you will join a diverse and welcoming community of more than 3200 staff and over 34 000 students.

Here you will find world-class teaching and academic excellence, stunning native Australian campus environments and loads of extracurricular activities, programs and trips. In the 2013 QS World University Rankings by Subject, La Trobe disciplines were placed in the top 100 institutions in the world.

AREAS OF STUDY



Our study offering is diverse and covers the following areas:

- Accounting and business
- Agricultural and environmental sciences
- Allied health and rehabilitation
- Arts, communication and critical enquiry
- Asian studies
- Biological sciences
- Counselling and social work
- Economics and finance
- Education and teaching
- Engineering
- European studies
- Health management
- Health sciences
- Historical and cultural studies
- Human biosciences
- Information technology
- International relations
- Law
- Marketing and management
- Medical and psychological sciences
- Nursing, midwifery and paramedicine
- Outdoor and environmental education
- Physical, chemical and mathematical sciences
- Psychology
- Public health
- Social sciences
- Urban planning
- Visual and creative arts.

UNIQUE PROGRAMS

INTERSHIPS*

Boost your Study Abroad adventure by combining your studies with a practical placement. Our placements include:

- Media Studies Internship (MST3INT)
- Nature Tourism Practicum (OED3NTP) at the Bendigo Campus
- Sports Journalism Internship (JRN3SJI).

*Please note: internships are subject to availability in any given semester.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

La Trobe Wildlife Sanctuary – Melbourne Campus

Get some hands-on experience through our community engagement programs. Volunteer group activities at the Sanctuary are hosted every week by Conservation Volunteers Australia.

You can enrol online for dates that suit you at: conservationvolunteers.com.au

Find out more about the Melbourne Wildlife Sanctuary at:
latrobe.edu.au/wildlife

Australian Studies

Australian Studies is an innovative and challenging interdisciplinary program that seeks to give you an understanding of Australian society and culture in a global context. Study areas include archaeology, anthropology, art history, cinema studies, English, history, media studies, politics, sociology, theatre and drama. Subjects may vary by semester.

For more information on the Australian Studies program visit:
latrobe.edu.au/udb_public



ACMI Melbourne

English as a Second Language

If English is not your first language, this elective subject (EDU1ESL) is a great opportunity to improve your skills while receiving credit towards your studies.

The theoretical component analyses academic discourse in intercultural contexts. The practical component includes writing an essay using English patterns of expression with explicit argument and evidence. Please note: this subject may not be available in some semesters.

For further information about availability, visit: latrobe.edu.au/udb_public

Cinema and media studies

If you have an interest in cinema and media studies, La Trobe University offers a good selection of subjects in this area. Additionally, Melbourne's many unique cinemas and film festivals show a wide variety of Australian and international films that will interest keen moviegoers. Students can also access the extensive public film library at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI).

latrobe.edu.au/handbook

Outdoor education

La Trobe University offers outdoor education programs at our Bendigo Campus. These programs allow you to experience adventures in the Australian outdoors while learning more about yourself and the environment.

Outdoor education subjects involve field trips that explore the Australian landscape through bushwalking, rock-climbing, canoeing and more.

Trip destinations include the Grampians National Park, Little Desert National Park, Mount Arapiles, the Murray River and the Alpine National Park – all of which offer memorable experiences of the Australian landscape. For more information, visit: latrobe.edu.au/education/areas-of-study/outdoor-and-environmental-education/outdoor-education

FIELD TRIPS

Add to your experience of Australian culture and environment by combining your studies with a subject involving field trips and practical learning. Types of subjects include:

Botany

- Alpine Ecology (WEM2ALP)
- Arid Zone Ecology (WEM2ARZ)
- Field and Environmental Botany (BOT3FEB)
- Plant Evolution, Ecology and Conservation (BOT3EEC)

Zoology

- Zoology A (ZOO3EPA)
- Zoology B (ZOO3EPB)



Conservation

- Applications in Conservation (WCB3AC)
- Earth Science (GEO1ES)
- Earth Structure, Resources and History of Life (GEO1ERS)
- Issues in Conservation (WCB2IC)
- Processes that Shape the Earth (GEO1PRO)

Marketing

- Wine Tourism and Marketing (THS3WTM) (includes fieldtrips and wine tastings)

Faculty of Education (Bendigo Campus)

Many units offered by the Faculty of Education at our Bendigo Campus incorporate practical learning components. These units include:

- Bush Environments (OED2BE)
- Education for Sustainability (OED3ES)
- Outdoor Living and Travel Skills (OED1AOL)
- Reading Australian Landscapes (OED1RAL)
- Sports and Recreation (OED1SRA)

Please note: some units may have additional requirements, so be sure to check the subject descriptions at:

latrobe.edu.au/udb_public

SUBJECT GUIDE

SUBJECTS

Study Abroad and Exchange students can choose subjects from all the major areas of study the University offers.

There are a few ways you may like to search for subjects:

1. The Subject Database:

latrobe.edu.au/udb_public

You can search by using an exact subject code or typing in a key word (i.e. ecology). You will find individual subjects and specific information about the subject content, textbook requirements and assessment tasks. Please note:

- You must ensure that the subject selections have a 'Y' (yes) next to 'Available to Study Abroad students'. The search results can also be filtered by semester and campus location.
- Subject codes that contain either a '4' or '5' are for postgraduate students.
- La Trobe University semesters are from March to June – Semester 1, and from July to November – Semester 2.

2. The 'Find a course' website – if you are struggling to identify subject titles our courses website might be of help:

latrobe.edu.au/courses

You will find information on full degrees with a breakdown of the core subjects required for the degree. This way you can locate subjects that are part of a similar degree to your home degree.

3. The Handbook may also assist you with subject offerings:

latrobe.edu.au/handbook

Preparing your study plan

A full-time academic workload is three subjects (45 La Trobe credits) or four subjects (60 La Trobe credits).

To prepare for unforeseen scheduling conflicts or subject cancellations, you should select at least eight subjects and list them in order of preference on the online Application Form.

Remember it is not possible to travel between campuses for your studies, so you need to choose only subjects from one campus. In addition, some subjects have non-standard dates. For up-to-date subject information including full descriptions, visit:

latrobe.edu.au/udb_public

Prerequisites

Some subjects have prerequisites. This means that a certain level of prior knowledge is required and you will need to have completed the relevant study to be able to take that subject.

Credit transfer

You are required to complete a full-time study load that equals 45–60 La Trobe credit points per semester, or 90–120 credit points for two semesters (a full academic year).

Two La Trobe University credit points are equal to one ECTS – this means that 60 credit points equal 30 ECTS and 120 credit points equal 60 ECTS. If you are studying in the United States of America, a La Trobe 15-credit-point subject is usually equal to about 3 or 4 USA credits.

Ensure you check credit transfer arrangements with your home university before applying.

Credit transfer may vary slightly depending on your home university and on the discrepancies that may exist between subject content. Credit and grading systems in Australia may differ from your home country.

At the end of the semester or year, La Trobe will send an original transcript of your academic results – for credit transfer purposes – to your La Trobe University representative or your home university.

ASSESSMENT METHODS

Assessment varies from subject to subject and may include minor and major assignments (including group assignments), class presentations and examinations.

The grading scheme at La Trobe University is as follows:

GRADING SCORE	PER CENT (%)
A	80 – 100 %
B	70 – 79 %
C	60 – 69 %
D	50 – 59 %
E (Fail)	< 49 %

For more details about the grading scale, visit: latrobe.edu.au/students/exams/results/grading-schema

Specific information regarding individual subject assessment is available in the University Handbook.

latrobe.edu.au/handbook

CONTACT HOURS

In IT, engineering, health sciences, science and psychology subjects, class contact hours are high (usually 24–30 hours per week) and may include lectures, tutorials and practical/laboratory classes. Humanities, social sciences and communications subjects generally have fewer contact hours (usually 12 hours per week), but you are required to spend more time on individual reading and research. Most subjects involve tutorials as well as lectures.

A tutorial (referred to as a 'tute') is a small class of about ten to fifteen students and is usually scheduled on a weekly basis.

RESEARCH STUDENTS

Some of our international exchange partnerships include research exchange. Consult your home international office for advice about whether you are able to study at La Trobe University as a research exchange student.

If your home university does not have a research exchange agreement with La Trobe University, you could consider carrying out part of your research as a Study Abroad student at La Trobe University. You will need to confirm that research supervision is available at La Trobe and complete the Application Form, listing Research Methodology as the subject you wish to undertake for one or two semesters. Include a 300-word research proposal.

For more information, email: ltiresearch@latrobe.edu.au



'I like the subject selection at La Trobe. It is very rich and different from any other I have seen before.'

Ivan Gutierrez Espinoza
Mexico
MBA exchange program

ACADEMIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

As a general guide, La Trobe University requires a C average for entry into the Study Abroad and Exchange program (GPA 2.5).

Entry to individual subjects may depend on prerequisites and class limitations. If you are currently completing, or have just completed, your last year of secondary/high school, you will be required to meet the minimum academic entry requirements for the undergraduate degree program that best matches your Study Abroad program.

If you're not enrolled in a university overseas, you will only be eligible for entry into first year subjects or subjects with no prerequisites.



OTHER ENGLISH QUALIFICATIONS FOR UNDERGRADUATE ENTRY

Denmark

- Studentereksamen: English undertaken in Stream A, Traditional University Pathway – grade of 8
- English undertaken in Stream B, Technical Pathway – grade of 11
- Upper Secondary School (Studentereksamen, HHX, HTX and HFX (HF)) – grade of 7 in A-level English and a 10 in B-level English on the new grading scale
- or English as the language of instruction at tertiary level for at least one year full-time (60 ECTS).

Finland

High School English: minimum grade of 8.

India

English as the medium of instruction with minimum grade of 60 per cent in English in All India School Certificate (Years 10 and 12).

Germany

Abitur results: between the range of 7–15 in English (LF level) (very good to satisfactory). If score is below 7: minimum of 6, including DAAD results, is also acceptable; **English without LF level:** 10; if below 10 (minimum of 7), DAAD results must indicate the upper two result range and must not be submitted on its own.

Netherlands

VWO (pre-university): minimum overall score of 6 in English; **HAVO (senior general secondary education):** minimum overall score of 7 in English; or **MBO (senior secondary vocational education):** minimum overall score of 7 in English.

Norway

Vitnemal den Videragaende Skole: minimum score of 4 in English.

Sweden

Slutbetyg/Avangsbetyg – Upper Secondary School: C.

You must provide evidence of your English language proficiency.

Standard English language requirements

LEVEL OF STUDY	UNDERGRADUATE	POSTGRADUATE
IELTS academic	Score of 6.0, no individual band less than 6.0	Score of 6.5, no individual band less than 6.0
TOEFL* computer-based	Score of 213 (minimum 5 in essay writing)	Score of 233 (minimum 5 in essay writing)
TOEFL* paper-based	Score of 550 (minimum 5 or better in Test of Written English)	Score of 575 (minimum 5 or better in Test of Written English)
TOEFL* internet-based	Score of 60 with minimum overall for SLR 18; W 22.	Score of 60 with minimum overall for SLR 18; W 22
La Trobe Melbourne	60% final result in a course	70% final result in a course
Pearson Test of English (Academic) (PTE)	57 with no communicative skill score less than 50	64 with no communicative skill score less than 59
Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE)	Pass grade B or higher	Pass grade of B or higher
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)	Pass grade of C or higher	Pass grade of C or higher
International Baccalaureate	Minimum of 4 in English A1 or A2 (higher/standard level) or minimum of 5 in English B (higher level)	Not applicable
Year 12 or equivalent	Australian Year 12 or equivalent program	Not applicable
TAFE	One year of TAFE in Australia at an acceptable level	Not applicable
GCE 'A' Levels	See footnote 1 below	Not applicable
Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education	Minimum score of 4 in English Language (equivalent to IELTS 6.0 with no band lower than 6.0).	Not applicable
English as medium of instruction	English as language of instruction in tertiary studies may be accepted	English as language of instruction in secondary and/or tertiary studies may be accepted

*If you are having your TOEFL results sent directly to La Trobe University, our TOEFL institution code is 9785.

1. UK – a score of C or better in English in the Cambridge General Certificate of Education 'O' Level or AS Level or Advanced Level.
 Singapore – a score of C or better in the General Paper in the Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) or a grade of C or better in English Language in the Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level).
 Hong Kong – a score of C or better in the English Language (Syllabus B) in the Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination (HKCEE) or a grade of C or better in the Use of English Paper at HKALE Advanced Level. Please note: these requirements are under review and are subject to change. For updated information, please check: latrobe.edu.au/international/apply/how-to/english

TUITION FEES

STUDY ABROAD TUITION FEES

If your home institution has an exchange agreement with La Trobe University, and you are nominated for an exchange placement by your home institution, no fees will apply. To see the La Trobe University exchange partner list, visit: latrobe.edu.au/international/edabroad/exchange/partners

Tuition fees for the Study Abroad program are based on a full-time study load of 60 credit points per semester. The tuition fees in 2015 (Student Amenities Fee included) are:

- A\$8500 for one semester
- A\$17 000 for two semesters (a full academic year)
- A\$4200 for the Edge of the Outback program*

Refund policy

Under the University's refund policy, La Trobe University may refund tuition fees (in whole or in part) where:

- The University can no longer provide the course being offered.
- The University ceases to provide the course after it starts but before it is completed.
- The Australian Government refuses to grant a student an initial student visa before the commencement of his or her course (in which case students may be requested to provide proof of the date of their visa application).
- The University withdraws an offer for a place.

- A student withdraws from a course prior to commencement or completion; in this case the refund amount, if any, will depend on when the withdrawal occurs in relation to the start of the course:
- If a student gives a minimum of 20 working days written notice prior to the course's commencement, 90 per cent of tuition fees will be refunded.
- If a commencing student gives less than 20 working days written notice prior to the course's commencement date, but gives notice on or prior to the census date of each subject, 50 per cent of tuition fees will be refunded.
- If a student gives written notice after the census date for each subject they are enrolled in, no fees will be refunded.
- A student who received a packaged offer returns home after completing the pre-university course or transfers to another institution or simply fails to enrol in the degree course.
- There are exceptional circumstances that compel a student to withdraw from a course after the commencement date, such as illness or disability, death of a close family member, political or civil unrest or natural disaster in the student's home country.

For full details refer to the University's Refund Policy:
latrobe.edu.au/international/fees/tuition

***Please note: these fees are for 2014 and are subject to change in 2015.** The University reserves the right to vary fees on an annual basis. Fees will not normally rise above seven per cent per annum. Should the University decide to increase its fees, that increase will take effect on 1 January of the following year.

SCHOLARSHIPS



Bendigo Campus

If you're an outstanding student, La Trobe University offers you the opportunity to apply for the prestigious **La Trobe University Study Abroad Ambassador Scholarship**.

As a recipient you can undertake an integrated program, which includes a combination of cultural outings, networking opportunities and special events at no extra cost.

Scholarships are valued at A\$1000 per student. In 2014, La Trobe University provided A\$40 000 to support the Study Abroad Ambassador Scholarship scheme.

Please note: scholarship availability may vary each year. Refer to the website below for current information.

For more information on scholarships and advice on how to apply, visit:
latrobe.edu.au/international/fees/scholarships

EDGE OF THE OUTBACK



Caitlin Jung



Carly Morrisette



Melissa Reilley



Jess Nelson



Christine Dong

This adventure will provide you the chance to explore the beauty of Australia's ancient landscapes through photography.

The Edge of the Outback runs for three weeks of workshops and a five-day outback tour. It can be taken as add on to your exchange experience or as a stand alone program.

During the tour an Aboriginal guide will help you understand the cultural specifics of place and space.

Participants exhibit their photography in a major regional art gallery at the end of the program and many go on to sell their artwork.

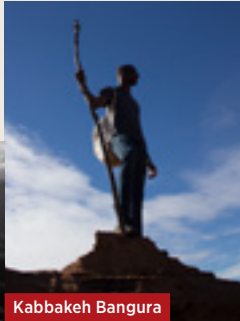
This short course is a perfect add-on to any Study Abroad or Exchange program. Additional fees apply.

Search 'Edge of Outback – La Trobe University' on YouTube to view a short documentary on past students' experiences.

latrobe.edu.au/mildura/study/courses/outback



Ty Anderson



Kabbakeh Bangura



Meghan Thedford



Margit Kneser



Emily Rose

GO ON A FIVE-DAY ADVENTURE AND EXPLORE THE AUSTRALIAN LANDSCAPES THROUGH THE MEDIUMS OF TRADITIONAL AND DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY.

OUR CITY



Melbourne city from the Shrine of Remembrance

Melbourne was ranked the fourth most student-friendly city in the world*. It has also been consistently ranked as one of the world's top three most liveable cities for many years†.

The city is located in the State of Victoria and is known for its love of food, fashion and style. It is also a major cultural centre, hosting annual international film, art and comedy festivals.

With a population of 5.6 million people (Australian Bureau of Statistics, June 2012) from 153 countries, Melbourne is famous for its multiculturalism and the diverse range of food that stems from it. Outside the city, in regional and rural Victoria, the population is approximately 1.45 million people.

When it comes to sport, Melbourne is like no other city in Australia. Each year Melbourne hosts major international sporting events, including: Australian Open Grand Slam Tennis Tournament, Formula One Grand Prix, Rip Curl Pro Surfing Championship, Australian Masters Golf and Melbourne Cup (horse racing).

The city is the home of Australian Rules Football and the Melbourne Cricket Ground – the cornerstones of the nation's biggest sporting traditions. Soccer (football), cricket and rugby are also regular fixtures on the city's sporting calendar.

ENJOY THE MELBOURNE LIFESTYLE

Melbourne is renowned for its distinct shopping and eating districts. Preston, Northcote, Brunswick, Carlton and Fitzroy are just some of the unique precincts located between the Melbourne Campus and the city centre. They all boast plenty of cafés, restaurants and delicatessens.

Each suburb allows for easy access to both La Trobe University and the city, by bus, bike, train or tram.

For grocery shopping, the Preston Market is popular with students. Shopping centres are located nearby, in Northland and Greensborough.

*QS Best Student Cities 2012

†Economist Intelligence Unit 2002–2004, 2009–2012

Location of Melbourne and Bendigo in Australia



OUR CAMPUSES



Melbourne Campus

MELBOURNE CAMPUS

Distance from Melbourne Campus (Bundoora) to Melbourne (city): 14 km (8.7 miles)

Melbourne Campus student population: 24 070

La Trobe University's Melbourne Campus is one of the most attractive university campuses in Australia. Spanning 267 hectares (660 acres) of stunning parkland and waterways, and including a major wildlife sanctuary, the Campus has many beautiful spots for students to relax and have fun in.

The Campus community feel is completed with retail outlets and services including: a bookshop, hairdresser, travel agent, jewellery store, printing services, weekly market, optometrist, banks, bakery, post office, theatre, cinema, convenience store and childcare.

Restaurants and cafés on Campus provide a range of food including modern Australian, European, Chinese, Japanese, Indian, vegetarian and halal.

Travel between the Campus and central Melbourne takes about 30 to 40 minutes by bus or car, or at least 50 minutes by tram.

studymelbourne.vic.gov.au



Bendigo Campus

BENDIGO CAMPUS

Distance to Melbourne (city): 150 km (93 miles)

Distance to central Bendigo: 3 km (1.86 miles)

Bendigo Campus student population: 4999

This vibrant and progressive regional city maintains strong links to its past. As one of the centres of Australia's 1850s gold rush, Bendigo is filled with a rich sense of history and heritage. Beautifully restored buildings line its wide streets, which also feature many fantastic restaurants and cafés. Bendigo is surrounded by a vast amount of agricultural land that includes wineries, orchards and grazing properties. All major forms of transport – rail, road and air – link Bendigo directly to Melbourne and other major regions of Victoria.

The Bendigo Campus, La Trobe's second largest Campus, is spread over 33 hectares (81 acres) of native Australian bushland and is a one and a half hour drive from Melbourne. The compact size of the Campus makes it easy to find your way around, establish new friendships and feel part of the University community. Students at Bendigo have access to a full range of services and facilities. Buses run between the University, city, train station and other locations on a regular basis.

LIVING COSTS

It is estimated you would need between A\$15 000 to A\$22 000 for two semesters to cover your living costs. These estimates exclude tuition fees. These costs could change and are only current at the publication date in 2014.

Under new regulations, the Australian Government's Department of Immigration and Border Protection suggests international students budget approximately A\$18 600 per annum.

latrobe.edu.au/international/living

Average living costs for one student (A\$)

TYPE OF ACCOMMODATION	MELBOURNE					BENDIGO				
	Homestay fully catered all meals	Homestay shared room no meals	Renting shared house or flat ¹	One bedroom flat or apartment ⁶	Chisholm College non-catered	Homestay fully catered all meals	Homestay shared room no meals	Renting shared house or flat ¹	One bedroom flat or apartment ⁶	The Units non-catered ⁹
ESTABLISHMENT COSTS (ONCE ONLY)										
Bond ²	0	0	575	1239	500	0	0	540	987	500
Rent in advance	1100	760	575	1239	773	1100	760	540	987	0
Telephone, internet and utilities connection	0	0	55	143	500 ⁷	0	0	55	143	500 ⁷
Establishment costs (household items, furniture)	240 ⁴	240 ⁴	512	1024	220 ⁵	240 ⁴	240 ⁴	512	1024	220 ⁵
Total	1340	1000	1666	3644	1993	1340	1000	1646	3140	1220
ANNUAL COSTS										
Books, stationery, photocopying, etc.	819	819	819	819	819	819	819	819	819	819
WEEKLY COSTS										
Weekly rent/board	275	190	133	286	179	275	190	125	228	164
Food/groceries	20	92	92	92	92	20	92	92	92	92 ⁸
Personal items/health/clothing ¹⁰	31	31	31	61	31	31	31	31	61	31
Utilities (gas, electricity, mobile phone, internet)	22	22	66	110	11	22	22	66	110	11
Travel (public transport/fuel) ³	55	55	55	55	22	27	27	27	27	11
Spending money	82	82	82	82	82	82	82	82	82	82
Average weekly costs	485	471	458	686	416	457	444	423	600	391
Total estimate (one academic year = 37 weeks)	18506	18026	18450	27917	17019	17525	17045	17140	24589	16097

1. Assumes shared with two others. 2. Bond is usually refunded at the end of your stay provided no money is due, you have given the required period of notice, and that you have caused no damage to the property. 3. Transport for education and work purposes only – this does not include new transport concession fares to be introduced in 2015. 4. Placement fee for Homestay service. 5. Includes non-refundable costs of social and transition programs and other miscellaneous fees. This cost may be lower for students who are in-residence for only one semester or who commence at Semester 2 (July). 6. Tenants are legally liable to pay rent for 52 weeks when signing a lease for one year. 7. This includes facilities, services and internet connection and usage. This cost may be lower for students who are only in-residence for one semester or who commence at Semester 2 (July). 8. Meals plan option available. Add A\$31 per week. 9. Multiple accommodation options are available at Bendigo. In addition to The Units, there are the new Hillside Apartments, Orde House and The Terraces. 10. Costs will vary depending on your lifestyle.

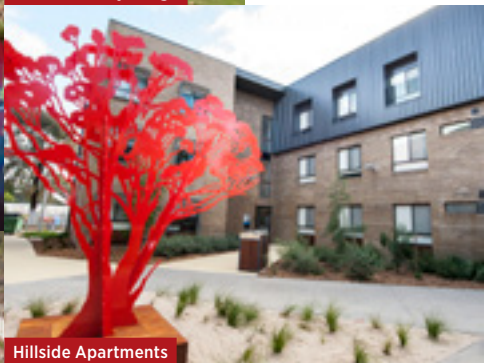
ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS



Glenn College



The University Lodge



Hillside Apartments



Chisholm College



Bendigo Campus

Our temporary accommodation

At La Trobe University, we can arrange short-term accommodation if you need a place to stay while you settle into your new environment.

latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/international/leaving/temp-accomm

On-campus accommodation

For on-campus accommodation information, see the adjacent table. For further information about accommodation visit our website.

latrobe.edu.au/accommodation

Note: if you're an ISEP student, check the accommodation options available to you through the La Trobe University/ISEP relationship.

ACCOMMODATION TYPE	MEALS	WEEKLY COST (\$A) ²	DESCRIPTION
MELBOURNE CAMPUS			
Chisholm College ³	No	A\$186	Two-minute walk to the Campus centre, furnished, high-speed broadband data connections, shared kitchen, bathroom and laundry, communal recreation and study areas.
Glenn College ¹	Yes	A\$293	
Menzies College ³	No	A\$214	
The University Lodge and Graduate House	No	A\$177 single A\$239 twin/double A\$226 single, ensuite* A\$256 couple, ensuite*	Fully-equipped kitchens, lounge rooms, recreation/activity halls, laundry facilities and 24 hour access to a computer lab. Friendly mature-age community life with regular social and cultural activities. *Single ensuite and couple ensuite rooms only available at The University Lodge.

ACCOMMODATION TYPE	MEALS	WEEKLY COST (\$A) ²	DESCRIPTION
BENDIGO CAMPUS			
Hillside Apartments	No ⁴	A\$203	Hillside is a new building of 200 single furnished-study bedrooms; lounge, communal kitchen and bathrooms and equipped laundry. Climate controlled and walking distance to Campus.
The Units	No ⁴	A\$169	Nine units, each with 12 furnished single study-bedrooms; central heating; fully-equipped kitchen; two bathrooms; and mezzanine lounge area.
Orde House	No ⁴	A\$173	Furnished single study-bedrooms; lounge; communal kitchen; and equipped laundry.
The Terraces	No ⁴	A\$185	Furnished large houses; eight study-bedrooms; two bathrooms; laundry facilities; equipped kitchen; and heated lounge room.
The Villas	No ⁴	A\$147	Villas with four study-bedrooms; heated lounge/dining area; kitchen; laundry; and bathroom facilities. Applications can only be submitted after arrival at the University and the fee does not include utilities.

1. Meals provided.

2. These are fees for 2014 and may increase in 2015.

Fees include the cost of utility bills such as electricity, gas and water unless stated otherwise.

3. ISEP exchange students are required to stay in Chisholm College.

ISEP direct students can choose to stay in either Chisholm or Menzies Colleges.

4. Meals plan option available, add A\$131 per week.

If you are on a long-term placement as part of your course, we've capped the daily accommodation rate at A\$21.50 (2014). This rate is available for all students on a placement for a period of 28 days or more, and who have paid a A\$500 bond.

LA TROBE LIFESTYLE

Surfing, student band competitions, skiing, camping and mountaineering – these are just some of the fun and adventurous activities on offer when you choose to study at La Trobe University!

Join the Student Union for better access and cheaper membership to clubs and societies.

unione.latrobesu.org.au/clubs

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

There is more to university life than studying. La Trobe University has clubs and societies across all campuses, plus a huge variety of sport, recreational, academic, social and cultural clubs.

Additionally, various special interest groups, professional associations and sporting clubs provide a great opportunity for socialising and time out from studies. These groups organise regular events, trips, activities and joining some will help you meet other students and adjust to living overseas.

Groups, societies and clubs are extremely diverse, ranging from a breakfast club, a Buddhist society, to a Pipe Band club and a diverse array of political groups.

The biggest organisation is La Trobe's International Students' Association (ISA), which coordinates events and activities, has its own student lounge and liaises with La Trobe International and the Bendigo International Students' Club.



Rock climbing, Bendigo Campus

Sports and recreation

La Trobe has extensive sports facilities at its two largest campuses, Melbourne and Bendigo. All students can take part in intervarsity sporting competitions with students from Australian and international universities.

Facilities at the Melbourne Campus Sports Centre include:

- an indoor swimming pool
- gymnasium
- top quality tennis courts
- squash, badminton, basketball, netball, volleyball courts
- indoor soccer and table tennis facilities
- programs ranging from yoga and Pilates to group exercise classes and dancing (hip-hop, ballet, belly dancing, jazz and ballroom).



Sports facilities at the Bendigo Campus include:

- a world-class athletics facility
- a Sports and Fitness Centre with a weight-training room and multi-purpose space for group fitness and boxing classes
- a sports hall equipped for basketball, volleyball, badminton, netball, table tennis and indoor soccer.

latrobe.edu.au/sport

Music and entertainment

From barbeques (BBQs) to evening balls, parties and student band competitions, La Trobe University has a fun and active campus community that offers something for everyone. You can even enjoy karaoke and live band nights at the Eagle Bar on the Melbourne Campus.

latrobe.edu.au/life/events

Arts and culture

La Trobe students have the opportunity to be creative through visual arts, student theatre, live music and film. La Trobe's Student Theatre and Film group runs a number of major projects including Short Works (a season of student written plays), Short Flicks (a festival of student made films), and The Moat Festival (an annual celebration of the performing arts on Campus).

The Melbourne and Bendigo Campuses also house their own art galleries and both run various Indigenous cultural programs and events throughout the year.

latrobe.edu.au/life/arts

Search 'La Trobe University Lipdub' or 'Blood, Feathers & Cakes' on YouTube to see videos about the activities of the La Trobe Student Theatre and Film Group.

Other associations maintain a close and engaging community at the University.

latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/international/settling

SERVICES AND FACILITIES

One of La Trobe's greatest strengths is its comprehensive range of specialised support services, which help you settle into Australian life.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

The La Trobe Equality and Diversity Centre (EDC) promotes full and equal participation for all students and staff of La Trobe University. It helps to foster an environment free of discrimination and harassment.

The EDC upholds the principles inherent in international, national and state legislation related to human rights, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity. Support is available if you have a disability, mental health illness or an ongoing medical condition.

The Centre offers varied support according to your individual needs, which are determined following an evaluation with a Disability Liaison Officer.

latrobe.edu.au/equality

Counselling

La Trobe University recognises that personal, interpersonal and environmental factors affect learning. The University's counselling service provides you with a safe place to creatively explore and address any problem that may be affecting your studies. The counselling service is free, by appointment and confidential.

latrobe.edu.au/counselling

Medical services

First aid for minor medical ailments is provided on all campuses. Private and public medical centres are on, or within, easy reach of La Trobe's campuses.

International Student Services

We understand the difficulties you might face in adjusting to a new culture and environment, while also trying to make friends and studying. Our staff ensure you don't have to cope with all of this on your own.

University services include:

- assistance with visa, health insurance and pre-departure information, including information on accommodation
- a free airport reception service – Bendigo Campus students can also be picked up from the railway station
- an International Welcome Festival and a comprehensive My Life at La Trobe guide
- staff who offer advice and support on personal, financial or cultural issues, transition to life in Australia and study at La Trobe University
- an after-hours free telephone hotline service to help you with anything you might be concerned about at any time
- specialised information for sponsored students, Muslim students and students with families
- social activities and programs including day trips, a weekend break program and a Language and Cultural Exchange program. Please note: these programs vary from campus to campus
- Ready, Set, Go! workshops – Staying in Australia or Returning Home.

latrobe.edu.au/international/life/supportservices

SUPPORT SERVICES

THE LA TROBE GLOBAL LOUNGE

The La Trobe Global Lounge is conveniently located at the centre of the Melbourne Campus in the Agora East (behind Café Velocci), and provides exclusive support to Study Abroad and Exchange students. Staff are available Monday through to Thursday, 11.00 am – 3.00 pm, and appointments are not necessary.

Students at the Bendigo Campus may contact the International Office there with any questions or concerns. The office is located in the East Wing of the Old Engineering Building, across from the Office of Business Development Boardroom.

CAREER SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT

La Trobe University's professionally qualified consultants aim to assist you to start your career journey. They will help you develop career goals, job-seeking skills and other attributes necessary for joining the workforce. This service, along with other resources, is available to all students.

latrobe.edu.au/students/careers

We also offer exciting programs to develop employability skills.

latrobe.edu.au/students/get-involved

Transition @ La Trobe

The Transition @ La Trobe International Welcome Group, is a social network hosted by current La Trobe international student 'e-friends', and is a great resource for extra support before taking the big step of flying to Australia.

Once you have been accepted or provisionally accepted into La Trobe you will receive an invitation to join the group.

The group opens two months before the beginning of classes, so it's a great opportunity to ask any questions you might have before starting your new life abroad.

After you have received your invitation log on to your Facebook account, search for 'transition@latrobe' and join up!

Other support services

Other support services include:

- On-campus religious facilities including chaplaincy and Muslim prayer facilities
- Childcare.

La Trobe Abroad on Facebook

Follow us on Facebook. Ask us questions, post your pictures, join our group and tell us your travel stories!

facebook.com/latrobeabroad



'I've seen so much beauty here and met so many incredibly nice people. I'm filled up with positive experiences and am very, very grateful for them.'

Leonie Gehrke

Germany

Art history, International Student Theatre Project

STUDY AND LEARNING SUPPORT



Library, Melbourne Campus

LIBRARY

The La Trobe University Library operates as one service across all campuses and provides access to millions of quality print and online scholarly resources, delivers online services including skills and FAQs and provides state-of-the-art learning facilities.

latrobe.edu.au/library

The Library also has web pages with specific information for new international students (on campus, off campus or offshore) to help with using services and resources effectively.

latrobe.libguides.com/int_oncampus
latrobe.libguides.com/int_offcampus
latrobe.libguides.com/int_offshore

There is also a live chat service to help you with your library queries or difficulties:
lib.latrobe.edu.au/chat

IT services and resources

La Trobe University campuses have strong wireless internet coverage, as well as computers for students, teaching and research activities. Students are provided with a free email account after enrolment. Some lectures are captured on audio or audio/video streams.

latrobe.edu.au/students/it

Language and learning support

The Academic Language and Learning Unit (ALLU) works closely with teaching staff on all campuses to specifically assist you in developing core academic skills required to succeed in your studies.

latrobe.edu.au/learning

Introduction to academic expectations

La Trobe Abroad offers this seminar in the first two weeks of classes. It reviews academic expectations at La Trobe University to assist you with achieving success in your studies. Includes topics such as: assessment, independent learning, referencing, and writing expectations.

PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS

It is your responsibility to ensure you obtain a valid passport and student visa before you enter Australia for study purposes.

Visa assessment levels are determined by country of citizenship and course type. With a student visa:

- You must undertake a CRICOS approved course.
- You must satisfy course progress requirements and maintain a valid enrolment for your chosen course of study.
- You and your family members must not work without permission. If you are given permission to work, you must not work more than 40 hours a fortnight during the semester, unless otherwise specified. For up-to-date information on working while studying, visit: immi.gov.au/students/students/working_while_studying
- You must maintain your Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) at all times when you are in Australia.
- If you are under 18 years of age, and you are not accompanied by, nor staying with a relative or custodian who is at least 21 years of age, you must not change your accommodation, support and the general welfare arrangements without written approval from La Trobe University.
- You must inform your education provider within seven days of your arrival in Australia of your current residential address and must advise any changes of address within seven days.

For up-to-date details on visas and assessment levels, visit:

immi.gov.au/students

As a condition of your student visa you are required to be enrolled in a full-time load and complete your course in the minimum time, as stated on your CoE, unless:

- There are compelling or compassionate circumstances.
- You have intermitted (deferred) your course, or you have an intervention plan in place.
- You have received Advanced Standing (credit) that affects your load during a relevant progression period.
- You have problems with academic progress
- You undertake subjects at times other than Semester 1 or 2, which count towards your course credits, e.g. during Summer School.

Please contact your nearest Australian Diplomatic Mission for more information: immi.gov.au

Assistance with visa applications is also available from the University's representatives: latrobe.edu.au/international/agents

Please note: La Trobe University is unable to provide advice concerning immigration matters.

UNDERAGE STUDENTS (UNDER 18 YEARS)

If you're under the age of 18, the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) requires you to have appropriate welfare and accommodation arrangements in Australia. In order to get a student visa, you will need to provide evidence you will be living in either DIBP approved or La Trobe University approved welfare and accommodation arrangements.

Option 1: DIBP's approved welfare arrangement

You must have your parents or legal custodian nominate a guardian residing in Australia prior to DIBP considering your student visa application. Parents must lodge the Nomination of a Student Guardian form (157N) available at the Australian Embassy in their home country, or at: immi.gov.au/allforms/application-forms

DIBP requires this guardian to be over 21 years of age, an eligible relative and of good character. The list of DIBP approved relatives is: grandparent, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, step-grandparent, step-brother, step-sister, step-aunt, step-uncle, step-niece, step-nephew.

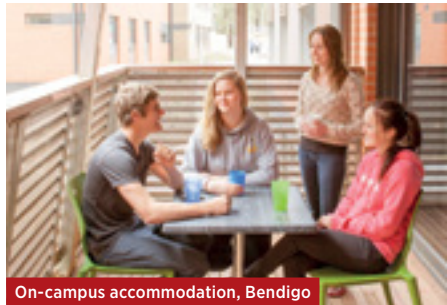
Option 2: La Trobe University approved welfare arrangement

If you do not have an eligible relative in Australia, you will need to be supported by the services of the La Trobe University's approved guardianship agencies and accommodation providers before the University will issue a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) and the Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation/Welfare (CAAW) form.

For more information, please visit: latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/international/visa/under18



La Trobe International, Melbourne



On-campus accommodation, Bendigo

STUDENTS WITH SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN

If you have school-aged dependants accompanying you to Australia, it is a visa requirement that you enrol them in primary (grades K-6) or secondary school (grades 7-12) and pay school fees. Exceptions to this are if you are the recipient of an Australian government scholarship, or the holder of a Subclass 574, Postgraduate Research Visa. Then you are exempt from paying school fees at a government school. For more information, visit: study.vic.gov.au/intstu

HEALTH INSURANCE



Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) provides medical and hospital cover for you and your dependants while in Australia.

La Trobe University currently has an agreement with OSHC by Allianz Global Assistance, a private health fund, for the provision of OSHC, however you have the option to purchase health cover through another approved provider of your choice. The University's policy is that you purchase health cover for the duration of your CoE. Health cover options are as follows:

Single – covers only the valid student visa holder.

Dual Family – covers one valid visa holder plus either one adult spouse or recognised de-facto partner, or one or more dependant children.

Multi Family – covers one student visa holder plus more than one dependant. A dependant can only include one adult spouse or recognised de-facto partner, and one or more dependant children.

OSHC rates for 2014

LENGTH OF STAY	SINGLE	DUAL FAMILY	MULTI FAMILY
6 months	A\$309	A\$708	A\$997
12 months	A\$571	A\$1369	A\$1948

These rates are subject to change without notice and may increase in 2015. Please read your OSHC by Allianz Global Assistance policy carefully. Overseas Student Health Cover is similar to public health cover for Australian citizens, however there may be significant upfront costs for some medical care.

If you are not using OSHC by Allianz Global Assistance, you must make payment arrangements with your provider directly and must provide proof of OSHC to La Trobe International and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) before your CoE is released and your student visa is issued. A list of OSHC providers is available from the Department of Health and Ageing: health.gov.au

OSHC is not required for Norwegian, Belgian and some Swedish students. For more details and updates see:

latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/international/visa/oshc

APPLY NOW

You can apply directly or through one of La Trobe University's representatives. If you're applying directly, please follow these steps carefully:

1 SELECT YOUR PROGRAM

Indicate whether you are applying as an exchange or study abroad student.

2 CHECK YOU MEET THE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Look up individual subject descriptions and view the academic entry requirements and subject prerequisites at:

latrobe.edu.au/udb_public

See page 9 for further information on standard English language requirements. Check our website for individual course requirements:

latrobe.edu.au/courses

If you have not satisfied the requirements you can still apply to study at La Trobe University as the University may make you a conditional offer.

3 COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

Fill in the Application Form available online at: latrobe.edu.au/international/edabroad/studyabroad/how-to-apply

Attach the following documents to your application:

- Original or certified copies of your academic qualifications including a full statement of results (with certified English translation if required)
- Original or certified copy of evidence of your English language proficiency personal statement
- Academic and non-academic reference
- Any other information specified in the entry requirements for the subject(s) you have chosen.

Please note: exchange students must lodge applications via the international or study abroad office at their home institution.

4 SEND YOUR APPLICATION FORM TO LA TROBE INTERNATIONAL

Send the hardcopy application to the address on the form, or email a copy to: studyabroad@latrobe.edu.au

CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATIONS

There are no official closing dates for study abroad applications or those lodged through a La Trobe University representative, but you should allow a minimum of four to six weeks to obtain a student visa and make travel arrangements. In some countries student visas can take up to 16 weeks to process.

Exchange application deadlines are as follows:

- Semester 1 (March–June): 15 October
- Semester 2 (July–November): 31 March.

If you already have a student visa, you can apply for entry to Semester 1 subjects until mid-January and for Semester 2 subjects until mid-June.

If you don't have a student visa, you should apply by no later than November for Semester 1 subjects, and by no later than April for Semester 2 subjects.

If you would like to submit an application after these dates, contact La Trobe University via email: studyabroad@latrobe.edu.au

APPLYING VIA A LA TROBE INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

La Trobe University has a network of overseas and national (onshore) representatives that can assist with your application. For details of representatives in your country, visit: latrobe.edu.au/international/agents

ACCEPTING YOUR OFFER

LETTER OF OFFER

If your application is successful, you will receive a Letter of Offer from La Trobe University, outlining your subject approvals, how many credit points you will be able to enrol in, and information on how to accept your offer.

You should send your signed acceptance forms, together with the total deposit and/or OSHC sum indicated on your Letter of Offer as early as possible to La Trobe International.

Once you have accepted your offer, we will send information to assist you with your pre-departure, including a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE), which you will need to arrange your student visa.

See our website for more information on how to apply:

latrobe.edu.au/international/apply/acceptance

Conditional offers

If you do not meet the entry requirements for your course at the time of submitting your application you can still apply to study at La Trobe University.

The University may make a conditional offer, which is subject to you meeting certain conditions (e.g. English language requirements).

You must fulfil the conditions stated in your offer before it can be changed to a full offer. If you are required to meet certain English language requirements, we recommend La Trobe Melbourne to help you reach the appropriate level. For more information, visit: **latrobemelbourne.edu.au**

Conditions for deferment, suspension and cancellation of enrolment

La Trobe University is obliged to notify the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) if it defers, suspends, intermits, or cancels a student's enrolment. These changes to enrolment can affect a student's visa. DIBP will record this change to enrolment and send the information to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection.

La Trobe University can only permit you to intermit from your studies (defer your studies for up to 12 months) on the grounds of:

- compassionate and compelling circumstances
- The University being unable to offer a prerequisite subject
- you being unable to commence your course due to delays in receiving your student visa.

Your enrolment may be cancelled due to non-payment of tuition fees. Additionally, if you're being found guilty of academic misconduct, or inappropriate conduct, or have conditions set by the Academic Progress Committee due to lack of academic progress, you may have your enrolment suspended. If you have had your enrolment suspended by the University, you have 20 working days to appeal the suspension. Once 20 days have lapsed, or the internal appeals process has been completed and the decision to suspend upheld, you will be reported to DIBP.

For more information on La Trobe's Refund Policy: **latrobe.edu.au/international/fees/tuition**

ARRIVING AT LA TROBE

PLAN YOUR ARRIVAL

It is important that you read the information about studying and living in Australia, temporary accommodation and airport reception at: latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/international

Upon arrival you will need to register at La Trobe International.

There will be an enrolment session for final subject selections on arrival, where you will be able to make changes to your subject selections; however, you will still need to be enrolled in the appropriate number of credit points for the time you are here on a Study Abroad or Exchange program.



‘The Orientation trip to The Great Ocean Road was a highlight because it is where my journey began and where I met so many of the friends that I shared my semester with.’

Jacquelyn Gross

United States of America
Finance and accounting

PRE-ORIENTATION TRIP

Kick off your semester by joining us on the Pre-Orientation trip. What better way to ease into Aussie life than a weekend escape to the spectacular coastline along the Great Ocean Road! Eat Aussie tucker, learn to surf, see the iconic Twelve Apostles – and there’s even a good chance you’ll run into a koala or two!

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to make some friends before the start of the official International Welcome Festival Sessions.

Information about this trip is provided to you once you accept your offer. Limited spaces are available. For further information contact E_studyabroad@latrobe.edu.au

INTERNATIONAL WELCOME FESTIVAL AND ORIENTATION

Orientation is an essential part of your transition to university life. Attending Orientation will enable you to make important connections with your studies, peers and networks and with the campus community at La Trobe.

It is important that you attend both the Orientation and the International Welcome Festival, which commences two weeks before class.

See the Academic Calendar online for up-to-date dates:

latrobe.edu.au/international/calendar

Students who attend the International Welcome Festival are more likely to succeed in their studies. There are many interactive sessions, exciting events and heaps of opportunities to meet students, staff, and new friends. Best of all, there’s free food, activities and a great La Trobe University water bottle for participants.

latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/orientation

ACADEMIC CALENDAR



Great Ocean Road

STUDY PERIOD	COMMENCING	ENDING
Semester 1, 2015	2 March	25 June
Semester 2, 2015	27 July	19 November

You must ensure your return airfares are for a date after the end of the exam period. Early exams can't be accommodated for.

The University's academic year is divided into two semesters. Standard semester dates for 2015 are set out in the table above and they include examinations periods.

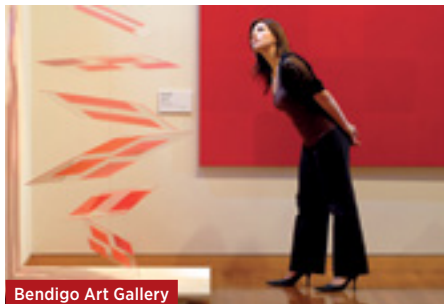
Please check the website for important 2015 dates, including exam and study breaks, and Orientation.

latrobe.edu.au/international/calendar

Check the Handbook to see if your subject or semester has a non-standard start date.

latrobe.edu.au/handbook

EVENTS GUIDE



Bendigo Art Gallery



Australian Rules Football, MCG, Melbourne

AUTUMN (MARCH–MAY)

- Moat Performing Arts Festival (Melbourne Campus)
- Formula 1™ Australian Grand Prix
- Yackandandah Folk Festival (Albury-Wodonga)
- Bendigo Easter Fair
- Melbourne Food and Wine Festival
- Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- Australian International Air Show
- Rip Curl Pro Surfing (Bells Beach)
- Taste of Tatura and SheppARTon Festival.

WINTER (JUNE–AUGUST)

- Melbourne Art Fair
- Bendigo Sheep and Wool Show
- The Age Melbourne Writers' Festival
- Short Works Theatre (Melbourne Campus)
- Chocolate Rush Festival (Bendigo)
- Melbourne International Film Festival
- Mildura Writers' Festival.

SPRING (SEPTEMBER–NOVEMBER)

- Australian Rules Football Grand Final
- Short Flicks Student Films (Melbourne Campus)
- Melbourne Fringe and International Arts Festival
- Bendigo Heritage Uncorked
- Bendigo Agricultural Show
- Melbourne Spring Horse Racing Carnival
- International Education Week
- Mildura Country Music Festival.

SUMMER (DECEMBER–FEBRUARY)

- Melbourne Boxing Day Test (cricket)
- Australian Open Grand Slam Tennis Tournament
- International Dairy Week Tatura (Shepparton)
- Mildura Wentworth Arts Festival.

USEFUL WEBSITES

FURTHER COURSE INFORMATION

For further course and subject information, visit:
latrobe.edu.au/handbook

To view online course guides, flyers and other publications, visit:

latrobe.edu.au/international/publications

To view international student profiles, visit:

latrobe.edu.au/international/why-latrobe

LA TROBE TIMES, ONLINE NEWSPAPER

Be a part of our online community newspaper. You will have the opportunity to enter competitions, win prizes and share your thoughts and ideas through our student blog.

latrobe.edu.au/international-news

THE ESOS ACT

Australia has laws to make sure you receive a quality education and protection as a consumer. Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Australia provides the world's most rigorous protection for international students through the *Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Act 2000*. The ESOS Act protects your rights as a student, sets out the standards that Australian education providers must obey when offering education services to overseas students, and also outlines your responsibilities as an overseas student.

The Australian Government publication *The ESOS framework – providing quality education and protecting your rights* provides a useful summary of the ESOS framework.

latrobe.edu.au/international/life/esos and aei.gov.au/regulatory-information/pages/regulatoryinformation.aspx

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CAMPUS LOCATIONS

Melbourne, Bendigo, Albury-Wodonga,
Shepparton, Mildura

ONLINE ENQUIRY

Ask us a question, any question, or questions...
about courses, student life, study abroad and
exchange, accommodation, facilities, etc.

latrobe.edu.au/international/ask-a-question

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La Trobe University overseas representatives

La Trobe University has a worldwide
network of representatives who can assist
you with applying to study at La Trobe.

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