

DTU *StudyAbroad*

Technical University of Denmark



Study Abroad in Australia

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Brief introduction

Who am I?

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- Partnership Managers for other destinations, but can help with general questions.

The background of the slide is a wide-angle photograph of a city skyline across a body of water. The sky is a clear, pale blue with a few wispy clouds. The city buildings are illuminated, suggesting late afternoon or early evening. In the foreground, a paved path runs along the water's edge, with a few people walking. The word 'Agenda' is written in a large, black, italicized serif font on a white rectangular background that is semi-transparent over the water.

Agenda

- What to consider before applying
- Destination: Australia
- Student Testimony
- Application Info and Deadline



COVID19-situation

- *COVID-19 could still affect future exchange opportunities*
- *Potentially still some online or blended courses*
- *We hope and expect that global student mobility will be normalized*
- *The application round should not be affected as such*
- *Worst case: Exchanges could still be cancelled*

A group of approximately 12 young adults, likely students, are posing for a group photo in a grassy park. They are arranged in two rows, with some kneeling in the front and others standing behind. A large kangaroo is in the foreground, facing left. The background shows trees and a clear sky.

Requirements

- *You must have finished approx. 2 years of university studies before departure*
- *You are expected to take 30 ECTS abroad*
- *You must be actively studying during your study abroad*
- *Must be enrolled at DTU at the time you apply*

An exchange stay must be incorporated in your general study plan!



Destination Australia

Study in Australia

- 10 available partner universities in the following cities: Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney.
- Most are all levels and study programmes, but some restrictions still apply
- Southern hemisphere = opposite semesters (first and second) – and many are structured in trimesters
- OSHC mandatory for all international students
- Minimum course load is equivalent to 22,5 ECTS (not necessarily full credit transfer)
- English proficiency documentation required

A photograph of the Luna Park entrance in Melbourne, Australia. The entrance is a large, colorful structure with a giant face of a woman with blue eyes and a wide smile. The sign above the entrance says "Luna Park". There are palm trees and people in the background. A semi-transparent white banner with black text is overlaid on the bottom half of the image.

Availability and courses (units)

- Australia is a popular exchange destination!
- GPA – a reasonably high GPA is most likely required.
- “Kurser/fag” are often called units (“A course” in AUS refers to a full study).
- Unit restrictions still apply at some universities although most will let students choose units across the university (e.g. Generally undergraduates can only take undergraduate units and graduates can only take graduate units).
- MSc students should prepare especially well by checking each uni for relevant courses / units. MSc programmes are smaller in Australia and therefore have a smaller course offering.

Academic calendar

- The academic year is different – and the seasons are opposite from the Danish seasons:
Their Spring is our Autumn
- They usually talk about Term 1 and 2 (and 3) instead of seasons
Term 1 = Danish Spring (usually February/March – May/June)
Term 2 = Danish Autumn (usually July/August – October/November)
- Some universities use trimesters - and at those destinations it might not be possible to achieve the equivalent of a full Danish semester (30 ECTS) – e.g. UNSW has changed to this structure.
- DTU will not nominate you for more than one term – no matter the structure of the host uni.



English language proficiency 1

- All Australian universities have an English language proficiency requirement - They are all different and rules are opaque.
- As a rule partners are not willing to give you an individual assessment of your English language proficiency before you submit your complete application.
- Check BB and websites for requirements – and be aware of document expiry date!
- High school grades – all grades must be equivalent to minimum grade.
- We recommend that you complete an official test (TOEFL or IELTS) – and remember to study for the test!

English language proficiency 2

Proof of English language proficiency

In addition to the host university's language requirement, the Australian authorities have a language requirement for all international students coming to study in Australia.

The Australian authorities may or may not ask students to provide documentation when applying for the student visa.

You can find further information on the Australian government's webpage:

<https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud/More/Student-Visa-English-Language-Requirements>



Study in Australia

Huge country

Amazing and varied Nature

Different climates from city to city

Expensive

Popular/competitive destination

All courses in English

Creepy bugs and dangerous animals

Great student services

Very far away

Friendly and open people



Student Testimony

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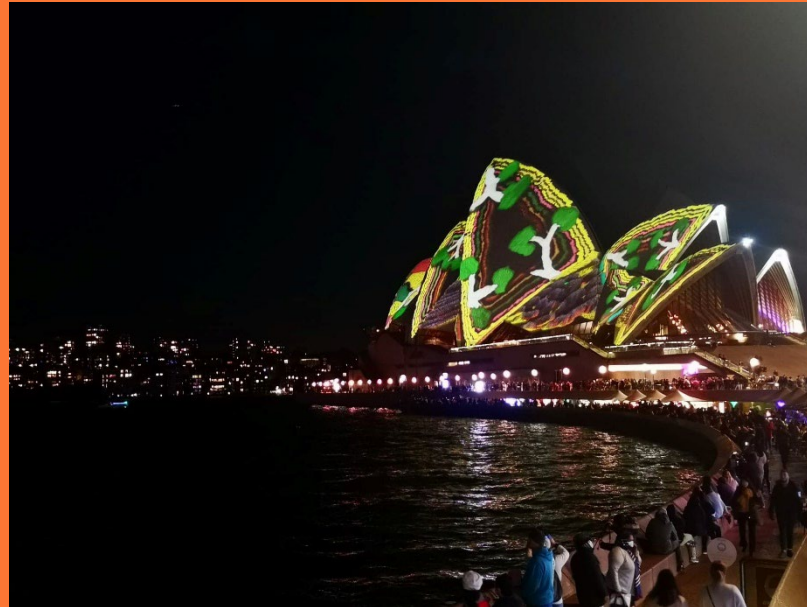
- Why doing an exchange semester in Australia and why choosing University of Sydney?
 - A dream to study and live abroad (and far away). The exchange program made that “easier” to experience.
 - A great opportunity to combine traveling and studying.
 - Cool way to meet other likeminded students from all over the world.
 - ..and also for gaining new academic perspectives and challenges.
 - University of Sydney is well ranked internationally.
 - A lot of hands-on work: projects, weekly coding assignments.
 - Students’ clubs and associations for everything. I joined bushwalking (hiking group), which was a great way to explore Australia and meet local students too.

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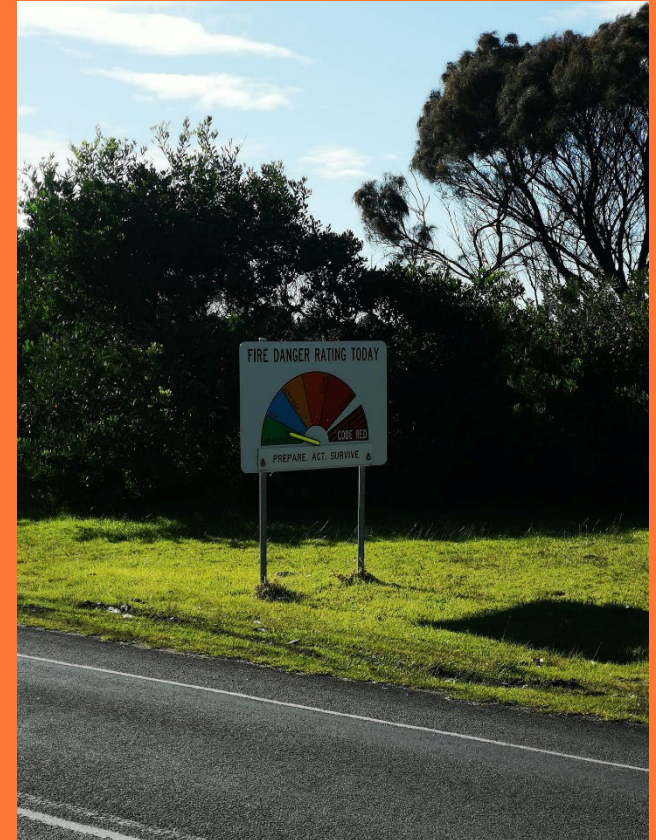
- I lived in a student dorm (QMB) offered by the University of Sydney.
- It is possible to apply for grants beforehand (legatbogen.dk).
- Sydney was expensive like Copenhagen more or less.
- I got a lot a nice friends and adventurous road trips- though my academic program was intensive.



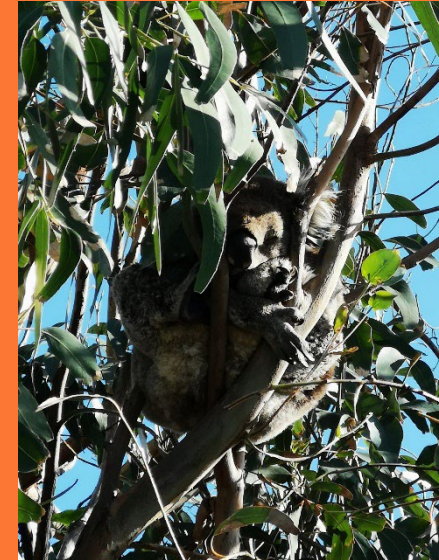
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Application and Deadline



Prepare your application

Inspiration:

- Check out the DTU Study Abroad website and DTU Beyond Borders
- Read travel reports
- Talk to the International Student Guidance Advisors
- Talk to international students in your classes

A person in a black and red wetsuit is walking away from the camera on a sandy beach, carrying a surfboard under their arm. The ocean is in the background with waves breaking. A small dog is visible in the distance.

Completing your application

The application is open!

- Log in to DTU Beyond Borders, click “login and apply”
- Pick the December 1st deadline, and fill in the relevant information
- Remember to upload all documentation and to research your priorities well
- Submit your application before the deadline on December 1st
- You will hear from us before the Christmas Holiday
- After selection, there will be a mandatory DTU Learn course “Get ready for exchange”

Questions?

Thank you for your attention!

General questions:

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Australia specific questions:

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