

## Flinders University Student Exchange Fact Sheet 2022-23

University	Flinders University
Exchange and study abroad student website	<a href="https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/apply/study-abroad/inbound">https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/apply/study-abroad/inbound</a>

### APPLICATION

How to apply	<p>The online application portal opens twice yearly for approximately 4 weeks. Nominated students will receive an email from Flinders notifying them to apply online when the application portal opens.</p> <p>The (Apply online) portal opens twice yearly – open/close estimates below.</p> <p>Opens 18 October – Closes 15 November Semester 1 (Feb – June) Opens 4 April – Closes 30 April Semester 2 (Jul – Nov)</p> <p><a href="https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/apply/study-abroad/inbound">https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/apply/study-abroad/inbound</a></p> <p><i>Scroll down page to apply online.</i></p>
Student application process	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Formal nomination by partner.</li> <li>2. Student submits online application to Flinders.</li> <li>3. Student applications processed and offers of admission are issued to students.</li> <li>4. Student accepts the offer of admission and returns acceptance documents and makes payment for compulsory Overseas Health Cover (OSHC).</li> <li>5. Following receipt/evidence of OSHC payment, the Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) certificate will be issued.</li> <li>6. Apply for a student visa <a href="https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500">https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500</a></li> <li>7. Student to provide a list of topics to LWB team for academic approval. In most cases topic approvals will be finalised prior to the student's arrival on-shore.</li> <li>8. An approved topic list will be sent to students, to register in classes through the Student Information System.</li> </ol>
Supporting documents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Certified or official copy of academic transcript (showing completion of at least a full academic year/2 semesters). Student documents can be verified by the international office or delegate at home institution. Verifier should provide their full name, signature and date of signing.</li> <li>2. 500-word student statement of purpose (not required for study abroad fee-paying applicants).</li> <li>3. Certified copies of English language test results (see English language requirements) below.</li> <li>4. Passport information page (includes photo)</li> </ol>

English language requirements	<p>Flinders requires evidence that students have an appropriate level of English language skill to ensure a successful experience (not applicable to English speaking countries). The minimum requirements are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an overall Academic IELTS of 6.0 (with a minimum of 6.0 in speaking and writing);</li> <li>• an internet-based TOEFL score of 80 (with a minimum score of 18 speaking and writing);</li> <li>• Cambridge English Scale (CAE) with a pass grade of B2.</li> </ul> <p>Please visit our <a href="#">English language requirements</a> page for further details about specific programs, Postgraduate and PhD requirements.</p>
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### IMPORTANT DATES

Nomination deadline	October 15 <sup>th</sup> of the year before	01 April of the current academic year
Exchange application deadlines	November 15 <sup>th</sup> of the year before academic year (February to July period)	April 30 <sup>th</sup> of the current academic year (July to November period)
S1 2022 (1 Mar – 5 Jul)	Includes mid-year exams. Does not include supplementary and deferred exam period (see below).	
S2 2022 (26 Jul – 20 Nov)		
Key semester dates link	<a href="https://staff.flinders.edu.au/key-dates/semester-dates">https://staff.flinders.edu.au/key-dates/semester-dates</a>	
Recommended arrival dates	1-2 weeks prior to commencement of classes, or the start date of the Flinders Living housing contract, S1 - 19 February 2022 and S2 - 9 July 2022.	
Orientation date(s)	Typically, 1 week prior to the commencement of classes.	
Course registration	Topic approval is facilitated by the Learn Without Borders team, in most cases prior to students arriving on-campus. Students will be advised about topic approval outcomes and provided with instructions about how to complete their enrolment and register for classes.	

### ACADEMIC

Areas of study not available or restricted	<p>Nursing, Midwifery, Medicine, all topics with practical components (i.e. clinical placement, WIL, professional practicum), research topics.</p> <p>Creative Arts, inc. drama topics require an audition or student portfolio.</p>
GPA Requirement	Minimum GPA requirement of Flinders 4.0 (pass average) after completing one year of full-time study.
Full time course load per semester	The recommended study load is 18 units or 4 topics. However, 13.5 units or 3 topics is considered a full-time load and meets <a href="#">student visa</a> requirements.

	The full-time study load constitutes 135 hours work for a topic in a semester (13 teaching weeks & 2 weeks of individual study in preparation for examinations)
Courses taught in English?	All topics are taught in English, except language programs other than English.
Year-long courses taught?	No

## HOUSING and CAMPUS

Housing website	<a href="http://www.flinders.edu.au/living/">http://www.flinders.edu.au/living/</a>
Is housing guaranteed? What options are available?	No. However, if students apply during the first/second round offer – it is rare not to receive an accommodation offer.  Students can choose to live on-campus but also have the option to live off campus in rental accommodation – check out options at <a href="http://www.flinders.edu.au/international-students/services/accommodation.cfm">http://www.flinders.edu.au/international-students/services/accommodation.cfm</a> .  A \$50 non-refundable application fee is required.
On-campus housing options include:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. University Hall – catered (15 meals/week), dormitory style, single rooms.</li> <li>2. Deirdre Jordan (DJ) Village – self-catered, apartment style, single rooms.</li> </ol> <p>Further information <a href="#">Living on campus</a></p> <p>Semester 1 contract: 19 February 2022 to 09 July 2022 Semester 2 contract: 09 July 2022 to 26 November 2022</p>
Distance from housing to the university.	5 minute walk up to the main campus. 22 minutes by rail to the city or 30 minutes by bus to the city and the beach.
How do students get from Flinders housing to the university (walk, bus, bike, train).	Most residents walk to the main campus; public transport is readily available, and cycling is popular. <i>*Note cycling helmets must be worn in Australia.</i>
Can I apply for on-campus housing options before receiving an exchange offer?	Yes, <a href="#">Link</a> to online housing application portal.
Contact details	<p>Flinders Living University Hall, carpark 11 Flinders University Sturt Road Bedford Park SA 5042 P: +61 8 7221 8900 F: +61 8 7221 8933 E: <a href="mailto:flinders.living@flinders.edu.au">flinders.living@flinders.edu.au</a></p>

## OTHER INFORMATION

Resources/services for students with disabilities	<a href="https://students.flinders.edu.au/student-services/hcd">https://students.flinders.edu.au/student-services/hcd</a>
Student visa	A student visa (subclass 500) is required for study in Australia. Please visit the Department of Home Affairs website for further information <a href="https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500">https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500</a> Approximate cost is \$630AUD.
Preparing to travel to Australia	Follow the steps outlined on the Preparing to Travel to Australia From Overseas Website. <a href="https://covid19.homeaffairs.gov.au/preparing-to-travel-to-australia-from-overseas">https://covid19.homeaffairs.gov.au/preparing-to-travel-to-australia-from-overseas</a>
International student support	<a href="#">International Student Services</a> (ISS) is the primary contact point for all international students at Flinders. They provide advice and support on accommodation, insurance, cost of living, enrolment etc.
Airport pick-up services	Airport pick-up is provided free by the International Student Services (ISS) – <a href="https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/explore/international-student-services">https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/explore/international-student-services</a> visit for details.
Flinders International Student Orientation (FISO)	Completion of online modules is compulsory <a href="https://students.flinders.edu.au/support/iss/orientation">https://students.flinders.edu.au/support/iss/orientation</a>
Health insurance	<a href="#">Overseas Students Health Cover (OSHC)</a> is compulsory. Approximate cost per semester is \$330.00 AUD  Flinders currently offers OSHC through Medibank Private. However, students can purchase OSHC from any approved <a href="#">Health Care providers</a> . Students will need to provide proof of coverage before being issued with a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) to apply for a student visa.
Can students bring their own health insurance?	The following health insurance is accepted in place of OSHC:  Norwegian National Insurance Scheme, or Sweden’s National Board of Student Aid or by Kammarkollegiet, or Belgium’s Reciprocal Health Care Agreement.  <b>No other insurance coverage will be accepted.</b>
SA Health COVID-19 Information	<a href="https://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/">https://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/</a>
Bushfire Safety	The Bedford Park campus is susceptible to bushfire threats from adjacent undeveloped land on the southern boundary (Sturt Creek Conservation Park), the heavily wooded suburb of Bellevue Heights on the eastern boundary and the University's own pine forest and native woodland adjacent to University Drive /Ring Road. If you or your students require further information or have concerns about this risk, please refer to the Universities bushfire plans <a href="https://students.flinders.edu.au/life-at-flinders/whs/emergency-fire-">https://students.flinders.edu.au/life-at-flinders/whs/emergency-fire-</a>

	<a href="#">safety/bushfire-safety</a> and <a href="#">Country Fire Service</a> website.
Living and studying in Adelaide	<a href="https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/living-in-adelaide">https://www.flinders.edu.au/international/living-in-adelaide</a>