

Visa Information

Most International Students wanting to study in Australia require a Student Visa. Some other visa holders are also eligible to study as International Students in Australia.

To find out whether you need a visa, and what conditions apply [click here](#) to access the relevant step by step information. Remember that you are responsible for meeting the conditions on a student visa.

Applying for a visa

In order to apply for a Student Visa, you will need a valid passport, an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE) and any other documentation required by the Australian diplomatic post with which you lodge your application.

You must allow enough time for processing between lodging your application and the start of your academic program as it can be a lengthy process depending on your country of origin.

Visa Conditions

If you are granted a visa you must abide by the conditions. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in the cancellation of your visa and being sent home.

These conditions include (but are not limited to):

- Completing the course within the duration specified in the CoE
- Maintaining satisfactory academic progress
- Maintaining satisfactory attendance - 80%
- Maintaining approved Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) while in Australia
- Remaining with the principal Education Provider for 6 calendar months unless issued a letter of release from the provider to attend another institution
- Notify your Education Provider within 7 days of any change to your Australian address

<http://www.immi.gov.au/students/visa-conditions-students.htm>

Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) requirements

As detailed below, you also have responsibilities to meet the Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) requirements, including:

- You must have knowledge of living in Australia, your intended course of study and the associated Education Provider; including previous study and qualifications.
- Undertake a course that is consistent with your current level of education and will assist you to obtain employment or improve employment prospects in your home country.
- Relevance of the course to your past or proposed future employment either in your home country or a third country.

Make sure you have checked the immigration requirements and have understood the information given to you from your chosen provider.

<http://www.immi.gov.au/students/gte-requirement.htm>

Please note: The visa application process can be complicated. For students from many countries it may be better to submit an application with the assistance of a qualified agent who is familiar with the Australian Education System and the visa application process.