**Subject Area** Any* (Includes Festival & Events Management and Sports & Exercise Science)

*You must refer to the Partner Institution’s website to check whether suitable modules exist for your subject area.

**Language** All courses are taught in English.

**Academic Calendar**

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**Module Catalogue** Have a look through the module catalogue for modules available to exchange students.

**Financial Support** Some forms of financial support might be available. Visit vu.edu.au for more information on scholarships.
Melbourne is a great place to live. Voted second-most student-friendly city in the world, there are over 100,000 international students living in Melbourne.

Stylish, arty Melbourne is a city that’s both dynamic and cosmopolitan, and proud of its place as Australia’s cultural capital. Its stately Gold Rush-era architecture and a multicultural make-up reflect the city’s recent history, while edgy street art, top museums and sticky-carpeted band venues point to its present-day personality.

Melbourne is best experienced as a local would, with its character largely reliant upon its collection of inner-city neighbourhoods. Despite a long-standing north–south divide (flashy St Kilda versus hipster Fitzroy), there’s a coolness about its bars, cafes, restaurants, festivals and people that transcends the borders. The city centre has meanwhile reinvented itself with chic laneway eateries and rooftop bars opening in former industrial buildings.

Sport is also crucial to the fabric of the town, taking on something of a religious nature here. Melburnians are passionate about AFL football (‘footy’), cricket and horse racing, and also love their grand-slam tennis and Formula One car racing.

Victoria is one of the smaller Australian states, and has many outstanding attractions within a few hours from Melbourne. There are heritage-listed towns in the Goldfields, wild national parks, and ski fields to suit everyone from beginners to Olympic champions.

**MORE INFO**

melbourne.vic.gov.au
lonelyplanet.com
vu.edu.au

**Population** 4.6 million

**Currency** Australian Dollar (AUD)

**Time difference** GMT+ 10
Victoria University (VU) was founded in 1916 as Footscray Technical School. After successive mergers with TAFE colleges across Melbourne’s western suburbs, Victoria University of Technology was established in 1990, and renamed Victoria University in 2005.

Today, VU is one of the largest and most culturally diverse education institutions in Australia, and one of only five multi-sector universities offering vocational education (TAFE) and higher education courses.

VU now has more than 48,000 enrolled students, which includes more than 13,400 international students studying our courses onshore or with our partner institutions offshore. More than 2,400 academics, teaching and general staff join with the University’s students to make VU a university that is excellent, engaged and accessible.

VU maintains strong links with local communities, government and industry, and is distinctive because of its transformational role in improving the lives of people and communities, especially in the western metropolitan region of Melbourne.

In 2016, Victoria University (VU) celebrates a Centenary of opportunity marking 100 years of delivering high quality, accessible education in the west of Melbourne.

http://vu.edu.au

Guide for International Students

University Videos
No of students 48,922

Style of study Students studying at VU usually have a mix of lectures and tutorials. In addition, you might have practical classes or fieldwork. Assessment can take a variety of forms, including written work and tests undertaken in class, participation in class or laboratory sessions, as well as final examinations at the end of each semester. You should expect around 15–20 contact hours per week.

Grade system

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Application Times

Please note that you have to apply to the exchange programme in your current year by 20 December. Applications for the host university must be submitted between Early March and Mid-April or Early September and Mid-October (depending on the Trimester), in the year following your initial application.

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Finding a comfortable place to live will be fundamental when you arrive in Melbourne. Around Melbourne you can privately rent a flat, apartment or house with other students, or you may be able to rent a room in an already established student household.

International students can stay short- and long-term at one of the student accommodation residences - New Premium Accommodation or Victoria Place, close to the Footscray Park campus. The residences have academic, transition, sporting and social programs led by students to help you get started.

**Living Costs**

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection sets a financial requirement and living cost minimum of $18,610 per year, which you must meet in order to receive a student visa and study in Australia.

- **Accommodation (Rented Room)** $70 - $250/per week
- **Food and drinks** $80 - $200/per week
- **Public transport – Zone 1** $38/per week
- **Utilities (gas, electricity, water)** $52/per week
- **Personal care** $25/per week
- **Mobile phone** $12/per week
- **Internet** $18/per week

**More on Cost of Living in Melbourne**

🔗 Numbeo.com

**Transport**

Melbourne has one of the most extensive tram networks in the world, buses to nearly everywhere, and a rail network that connects the city and suburbs.

**Myki** is a reusable smartcard that allows you to travel on Melbourne’s trains, trams and buses, V/Line commuter train services, buses in Geelong, as well as buses in a number of other regional areas.

**Public Transport Victoria (PTV)** is a statutory authority that manages Victoria’s train, tram and bus services. Exchange students are eligible for concessions, but Study Abroad students are not and must pay full fares.
CONTACT FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

If you’re interested in the programme or you have any queries, please contact the Edinburgh Napier University’s Global Mobility team first:

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