



Curtin University

GET READY FOR TAKE OFF!

APPLYING FOR STUDENT EXCHANGE

Take the challenge, study the world

Imagine being immersed in the urban culture of New York
or cycling to your classes in Amsterdam.

An international exchange not only gives you the chance to gain valuable life skills, it can also be a great career move. According to recent research, 81 per cent of employers agreed that graduates who had studied overseas returned to Australia with enhanced skills applicable to the workplace.*

But how do you get to go on exchange? It's easier than you think. All you need to do is to follow these steps and you'll soon be on your way.

* Prospect Marketing and Research, Australia

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STEP 1

Follow these easy steps to be on your way to your international experience! Plan early and check the application closing dates on this page.

☐ CHOOSE YOUR DESTINATION

- Find out more about our partner universities, and enjoy the student stories and videos at studyabroad.curtin.edu.au
- Come to one of our information sessions.

☐ DECIDE HOW LONG YOU WANT TO BE AWAY

You can choose to study abroad for one semester, or challenge yourself and go for two semesters.

☐ WORK OUT A BUDGET

You'll continue to pay your tuition fees to Curtin and won't be required to pay tuition fees to your host university. However, you will need to pay for your accommodation, travel, insurance and living costs. Don't stress though, you may be eligible for scholarships or an OS Help loan. There may also be opportunities to receive faculty or university funding, based on merit.

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The Study Abroad and Student Exchange Office information sessions help you to plan and prepare for your international experience.

STEP 3

Once Curtin has accepted your exchange application, you will be invited to complete the host university application form.

☐ APPLY TO YOUR HOST UNIVERSITY

- Submit an application form to the host university.
- The host university will liaise directly with you and provide details on accommodation and enrolments.

After your host university accepts your application, you can start to plan your adventure.

☐ MAKE ARRANGEMENTS

- Apply for a visa.
- Arrange travel insurance.
- Book your flights.
- Arrange accommodation.

SIGN UP FOR THE SCHOLARSHIPS ALERT
scholarships.curtin.edu.au

STEP 2

One of the best things about going on exchange is that your overseas studies count towards your Curtin degree.

☐ UNDERSTAND CREDIT

On an exchange, you'll study full-time and your study must be for credit. This means you'll need to study units that have similar content to your Curtin course units.

If your course includes electives, we recommend using these for your exchange, as they provide greater flexibility and more options for where you can study.

☐ SELECT YOUR UNITS

- Search partner university websites and identify appropriate units.
- Select four preferred units and at least two alternative units.

The alternative units are a useful backup in case your preferred units are unavailable due to class availability, timetable clashes or other circumstances.

When you have made your selections, you can formally apply to Curtin for your exchange.

☐ APPLY TO CURTIN

- Make an appointment with your course coordinator to have your unit selections approved. You'll need to show them the unit information from the partner university.
- Complete the Outbound Student Application Form.
- Provide a copy of your passport details.

You'll find out whether your application has been successful approximately three weeks after the application closing dates.

Visit studyabroad.curtin.edu.au for application forms

STEP 4

Before you go on an exchange, it's best to be prepared.

☐ ATTEND THE WHAT'S NEXT? PREPARATION SESSION

You will:

- Learn all about the host university application process
- Get answers to your questions from your exchange coordinator
- Find out about scholarship opportunities.

☐ ATTEND THE PRE-DEPARTURE SESSION

At this compulsory session you will:

- Receive important enrolment information
- Get valuable support and travel tips
- Meet other exchange students.

STEP 5

You may be still in Perth, but your adventure has already begun. Soon you'll be broadening your horizons and becoming immersed in a new culture. And who knows what exciting times lie just a flight away ... Enjoy your trip!

☐ APPLICATION CLOSING DATES

	TO STUDY OVERSEAS IN SEMESTER 2	TO STUDY OVERSEAS IN SEMESTER 1
Early bird applications	7 January	1 July
Final deadline	21 January	14 July
	If you submit your application after the final deadline, places will be made available on a case-by-case basis, dependent on the partner university's availability and own deadlines.	
Cross campus exchange	31 January	30 July
	Exchange to Curtin Sarawak, Malaysia and Curtin Singapore	



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If you are unsure of who to contact to approve your unit selections, please ask at student services.



SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE

The Study Abroad & Student Exchange Office staff are available to support you as you plan your journey. There are a variety of options available.

MEET OTHER EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Become a part of a network of students who are either going on exchange or have already been on exchange and know what it's all about.

You can also meet other exchange students from our partner universities around the world who are studying at Curtin.

Find out more about our Global Exchange Mentor, Representative programs by visiting the website.

SIGN UP TO THE GLOBAL SOCIETY COMMUNITY

Through the Global Society you can get in touch with Australian students who have either been to or are heading over to the same place as you. With a large membership, the capacity to share information and get honest advice is limitless. And it's free to join. All you need to do is register.

globalsociety.com.au



Receive updates and information about new or exciting programs and opportunities.



If you need more information or need to meet with a Study Aboard Coordinator, please go to studyabroad.curtin.edu.au

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