STUDY AND SERVICE ABROAD
EXPLORING WESTERN AUSTRALIA
HEAD DOWN UNDER, TURN YOUR WORLD UPSIDE DOWN

EXPERIENCE THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LIFESTYLE AND HOSPITALITY WHILE STUDYING AT CURTIN. THE UNIVERSITY IS LOCATED IN PERTH, OUR CAPITAL CITY. IT’S A FAST GROWING, VIBRANT AND STIMULATING CITY WITH HEAPS TO DO AND SEE. IF YOU’RE AFTER ADVENTURE THEN HIT THE OPEN ROAD AND EXPLORE WESTERN AUSTRALIA’S PRISTINE NATURAL BEAUTY.

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LIVING IN PERTH

While studying in Perth you will be living in a multicultural, cosmopolitan and safe city, alive with arts, theatre, music, food and shopping. Across the city you will discover fabulous locations to meet up with friends and have a great time – all easily accessible from Curtin via public transport. You can eat in restaurants and cafes from all nationalities including Thai, Japanese, Greek, Italian, Chinese, French and contemporary Australian.

In your spare time you have a great choice of things to see and do. Swim at Perth’s famous beaches with pristine blue water and white sand, just 15 minutes from the city centre; or discover Kings Park from a bird’s eye view on the treetop walk – a glass walkway raised to the top of the park’s tallest trees. On a sunny day, pack a picnic and head to the banks of the Swan River where you can hire a kayak or try waterskiing.

Explore the towering forests and enjoy whale watching, stunning coastlines, world-class surfing and the region’s award-winning wineries. A few hours drive from Perth, the South West offers a vast area of forests, wineries, amazing beaches and fascinating towns.

A journey along this magnificent coast will take you to the amazing Pinnacles, Kalbarri National Park, Shark Bay World Heritage Area and Monkey Mia dolphins. Also visit Coral Bay, Exmouth and Ningaloo Reef, where you can swim with the world’s largest fish, the Whale Shark.

With its brilliant, starry night skies and red, open plains, the outback is a fascinating mix of historic towns, gold mines and friendly pubs. Also check out some of Australia’s most unspoilt beaches on the great Southern Ocean.

The Kimberley and Pilbara regions are lands of extraordinary contrasts, with ancient gorges, waterfalls, native wildlife and fascinating Indigenous cultures.
Why Curtin?

Join More than 50,000 students from around the world studying at a global university ranked among the world’s best.

Curtin.edu.au/service-abroad

An internationally recognised university

Western Australia’s largest and most multicultural university, Curtin is a vibrant international organisation with a proud history and an exciting future. With the vision to be an international leader in research and education that changes minds, lives and the world, we welcome more than 50,000 students from over 130 countries. This includes more than 17,200 international students—Australia’s third-largest international student population.

Acknowledged globally for our commitment to cultural diversity and international engagement, Curtin is consistently rated among the world’s top universities by rankings agencies such as the Times, QS and Shanghai Jiao Tong. In 2012, the QS World university rankings ranked Curtin among the world’s top 300 universities, as well as in the world’s top 50 universities aged under 50 and number one in the state. The Times also ranked Curtin as one of the world’s top 100 universities aged under 50, and number one in Western Australia.

Located six kilometres from the centre of the Western Australian capital city of Perth, Curtin’s Bentley campus is the flagship of several campuses in the Asia-Pacific region. Our other campuses include Sydney, Singapore and Sarawak, and we have partnership agreements to deliver courses at education institutions in countries such as Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, Mauritius, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and Indonesia. The university has also developed strong long-term partnerships with more than 90 institutions worldwide, which can lead you to opportunities for career development, travel and further study.

Offered at undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral levels, Curtin’s courses are delivered through four specialist faculties (see page 6). Combining theory with practical study and often incorporating relevant industry placements, our programs are linked closely with industry, business and government, taking you beyond the classroom and into the real world. It’s Curtin’s commitment to providing flexibility and practical experience that means you’ll leave Curtin with the skills and knowledge you’ll need to launch your career anywhere in the world.

Your Study and Service Abroad program

Curtin’s Study and Service Abroad program gives you fantastic opportunities to engage with the community. The program’s unique features will add value to your resume and provide a more holistic understanding of Australian and Asian culture and lifestyle.

The program offers an unrivalled experience of Curtin University, Perth and the region. You devise your own personalised program in collaboration with your home institution and with Curtin. Tailor your Study and Service Abroad experience with your future career prospects in mind, and gain an invaluable advantage in a competitive employment market.

Key features of the program include:

- service learning, volunteering and internships
- the Asian Study Tour
- intercultural classes
- organised trips to local sites
- student advisors for support
- tailored orientation
YOUR STUDY EXPERIENCE

CURTIN OFFERS A WIDE VARIETY OF UNITS AT UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL ACROSS SPECIFIC FACILITIES AND CENTRES OF LEARNING.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2014

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These dates are subject to change.

Each semester at Curtin includes two weeks without scheduled classes; the perfect opportunity to take a break and immerse yourself in what Western Australia has to offer. Whether you want to stay local, go interstate or head overseas, these breaks give you the chance to add so much more to your experience. See page 3 to see where you can spend your breaks.

Curtin courses are spread across five learning areas. Detailed information on all of Curtin’s courses is available are handbook.curtin.edu.au

CURTIN BUSINESS SCHOOL

Curtin Business School (CBS) is one of the biggest and most innovative business schools in the Asia-Pacific region. The school boasts 21 single majors and over 54 double majors including accounting, law, economics and finance, information systems, management and marketing

business.curtin.edu.au

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Science and Engineering is one of the largest faculties within Curtin, with students enrolled in more than 200 courses at levels ranging from bachelor to doctorate. These include major areas such as engineering, agriculture, computing, mining, physics, chemistry, maths and statistics.

scieng.curtin.edu.au

HEALTH SCIENCES

Curtin has one of the largest and most comprehensive health science facilities in Australia and the Asia-Pacific region. The Faculty of Health Sciences offers practical courses in biomedical science, nursing and midwifery, occupational therapy, social work, pharmacy, physiotherapy, exercise science, psychology, speech pathology and public health.

health.sciences.curtin.edu.au

HUMANITIES

Courses from the Faculty of Humanities are applied, creative and relevant to contemporary society. The faculty caters for students interested in areas of study such as social sciences, architecture, design, mass communication, teaching, Asian languages, English, social work, art, construction, records management, library studies and multimedia design.

humanities.curtin.edu.au

CENTRE FOR ABORIGINAL STUDIES

The Centre for Aboriginal Studies provides students with the skills and abilities they need to work in the community and actively promotes a positive sense of Aboriginal identity, culture and heritage. Service Abroad students have a unique opportunity to learn about Indigenous Australian culture and engage with Indigenous communities during their semester abroad.

karda.curtin.edu.au

Curtin is a reflection of its home city of Perth – a friendly and relaxed place where respect for one another is a part of everyday life. Curtin is a culturally diverse community that values acceptance and fairness.

Our programs are internationally recognised and cover a wide range of study areas. You will have plenty of unit (course) options that can transfer as credit to your home institution, plus receive a high-quality education and learn practical skills to further your career.

CAMPUS LIFE

Curtin offers a lively campus life including 12 food outlets joined by a range of specialist food trucks, a tavern, 24 hour computer labs, a fully equipped gymnasium, sport courts and ovals, retail stores and a bookshop, over 80 student clubs run by the Curtin Student Guild, and much, much more.

An array of student support services are also available on campus, including a doctors surgery, counselling services, student advice, the Careers & Employment Centre, Curtin Leadership Centre, a childcare centre, disability support and academic support.

unilife.curtin.edu.au

ACCOMMODATION

Most Study and Service Abroad students choose to live in on-campus accommodation, and is a great way to meet our local and international students. The seven residential colleges offer beaks of activities including river cruises, trips around Perth and inter-college sports. Accommodation includes a fully furnished bedroom and shared kitchen and bathroom facilities.

Acceptance is competitive so you should apply at the same time as you apply for a place in the Study and Service Abroad program.

housing.curtin.edu.au
Attending an Asian Study Tour will open your eyes to the social, political and economic conditions in a range of Asian countries, broadening your perspective and teaching you essential skills for dealing with new and different environments. You also have the opportunity to gain academic credit for completing a study tour.

Study tours visit three diverse South-East Asian countries characterised by rapidly growing populations, increasing population movement and expectations of accelerated economic development. Past tours have visited China, Vietnam, Malaysia, Taiwan, Laos, Thailand, India and Tibet.

In each country, you explore:
- their history, culture and business customs
- their current economic outlook and the business environment
- the challenges and opportunities associated with their development

You’ll get the most out of your service learning through our complementary structured classroom program. This involves facilitated open discussions and presentations that explore service learning and its relationship with Australian culture.

Most Study and Service Abroad students take advantage of the wide range of programs and projects offered by Curtin’s on campus volunteering hub.

Internships are a great way to develop professional skills while making a positive contribution to the community. Service Abroad students have participated in internships with local members of Parliament, WA Department of Health and the Inspire Foundation.

Internships are personalised to match your interests and career ambitions, and are often seen by students as the most valuable part of the Study and Service Abroad experience.

CURTIN VOLUNTEERS!
Curtin Volunteers! (CV!) is Curtin’s student-driven volunteering hub, and boasts a range of volunteering opportunities across the West Australian community. CV! works across a number of interest areas and is a great way to engage with members of the West Australian community in a meaningful way. Volunteering with CV! is also a great way to mix with other students and see more of Western Australia.

Opportunities with Curtin Volunteers! include:
- Experiencing country WA with John Curtin Weekend working at the horse races, painting the local community centre or building a mini golf course
- Indigenous cultural immersions with Remote and Indigenous Programs volunteering in rural outback communities
- Tutoring local children from African migrant backgrounds with basic math and English with the Homework Help Program
- Assisting people with disabilities achieve their fitness goals through Fit and Able.

cv.curtin.edu.au

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uniServe Learning
Service learning is an opportunity to become more perceptive, culturally sensitive and well-rounded, and is available to all Study and Service Abroad students. Service learning can take the form of ongoing volunteer placements, one-off projects, or community-based internships with local not-for-profit organisations.

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TOP 10 THINGS TO DO ON STUDY AND SERVICE ABROAD

WE'VE GATHERED THE TOP 10 RECOMMENDATIONS OF WHAT NOT TO MISS WHILE ON STUDY AND SERVICE ABROAD IN PERTH!

1. Visit Cottesloe and Scarborough beaches
2. The eye-opening Asian Study Tour
3. Live on-campus with students from around the world
4. Visit Perth’s bustling nightlife in Northbridge and Fremantle
5. Travel to Indonesia and Sydney during study breaks
6. Volunteer in a remote or outback WA town with John Curtin Weekend or Remote and Indigenous Trips
7. Visit the Margaret River wine region three hours south of Perth
8. Join a Student Guild Club and join their social events
9. Take a weekend trip to Rottnest Island and find a beach of your own
10. See one of the local footy teams at an Australian Football League (AFL) game
Curtin has strong relationships with the study abroad and international office at partner institutions. Speak to your school’s relevant office for more information.

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westernaustralia.com
Curtin Course Handbook
handbook.curtin.edu.au
Accommodation on Campus
housing.curtin.edu.au

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