

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

STUDY GUIDE



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Studying overseas is one of the most exciting and life-changing experiences you can have. It's a journey that will not only shape your career but help you develop as a global citizen.

As a top 1% university worldwide¹, at La Trobe you'll be joining the ranks of thousands of students and alumni who have gone on to make their impact in Australia and around the world.

Practical, hands-on learning is at the heart of what we do. We work closely with industry to ensure our courses meet the needs of employers and we provide you with state-of-the-art facilities to hone the skills you need for a successful career.

Our strong industry partnerships will provide you with opportunities for placements, internships, and work-integrated learning with some of Australia's top organisations. And you won't be alone – you'll have the full support of the La Trobe community at every step of your academic journey.

I look forward to the impact you'll make, and hope to see you on campus.



Professor Theo Farrell
Vice-Chancellor and President

1. QS Top Universities, 2025; QS World University Rankings 2026; Top global universities; Webometrics, 2025; Webometrics Ranking July 2025



Transport Hub

Get to and from La Trobe by bus, train or tram.

The Agora

The beating heart of our campus where students gather to eat, study, socialise and even see live music, events or cultural festivals.

Bio Innovation Hub

Purpose-built laboratory and office facility supporting the growth of early-stage biotechnology and agritechology businesses.

Centre for Data Analytics and Cognition

Research centre focusing on the theoretical advancement of artificial intelligence, cognitive computing, data analytics and automation.

Net zero campus

As part of our commitment to Net Zero by 2029, we're creating the largest urban solar farm in Victoria, with around 4,300 solar panels generating 5.8 megawatts of renewable energy.

Student accommodation

Range of shared and individual living options, with dedicated security staff and on-campus access to amenities and wellbeing, sports and study facilities.

Research and Innovation Precinct

Digital Innovation Hub – advanced facilities powered by Cisco and Optus, leveraging AI, Internet of Things (IoT), software development, data analytics and networking.

La Trobe Sports Park

Immerse yourself in our high-performance sports facilities, our indoor multi-purpose stadium and FIFA-1 standard football pitch, home to the national Australian women's football team.

LIMS

La Trobe Institute for Molecular Science is a multi-level cutting-edge research and innovation facility, working on some of the world's most critical problems at the interface of health and science.

Nangak Tamboree Wildlife Sanctuary

A living laboratory for students, staff and the wider community, created in 1967 as a project to restore native Australian flora and fauna.

CAMPUSES



Melbourne (Bundoora)

Our Melbourne Campus is one of Australia's largest metropolitan campuses located in Melbourne's north. The campus is surrounded by lush Australian native flora, with scenic on-campus accommodation and a direct tram to the heart of Melbourne's CBD. You can enjoy walks in our campus parklands or onsite wildlife sanctuary, get fit at our premier sport park and fitness facilities, and organise all your amenities at our on-campus food court, cafés, convenience store, post office, and more.

Bendigo

La Trobe's largest regional campus, Bendigo offers a laid-back lifestyle with a premier university education, world-class facilities and strong industry connections across engineering, health, science, education, business and more. Located just under two hours away from Melbourne by train, it's close to the Bendigo city centre and some of Victoria's greatest natural wonders.



Albury-Wodonga

Our Albury-Wodonga Campus offers a uniquely Australian university experience with a close-knit, supportive campus close to the scenic Murray River. The campus is home to three university research centres, biomedical labs, clinical learning units and facilities, on-campus accommodation options, and more.



Shepparton

Our Shepparton Campus offers small class sizes, high-standard teaching, and unique placement and industry opportunities. Facilities include a clinical learning unit with advanced technologies, modern study areas, and a supportive campus culture tailored to regional students.



Mildura

Our Mildura Campus offers a relaxed lifestyle and cosmopolitan atmosphere, with small class sizes to deliver a more personalised learning experience. The campus fosters strong industry relationships, giving students access to local placements within the community.



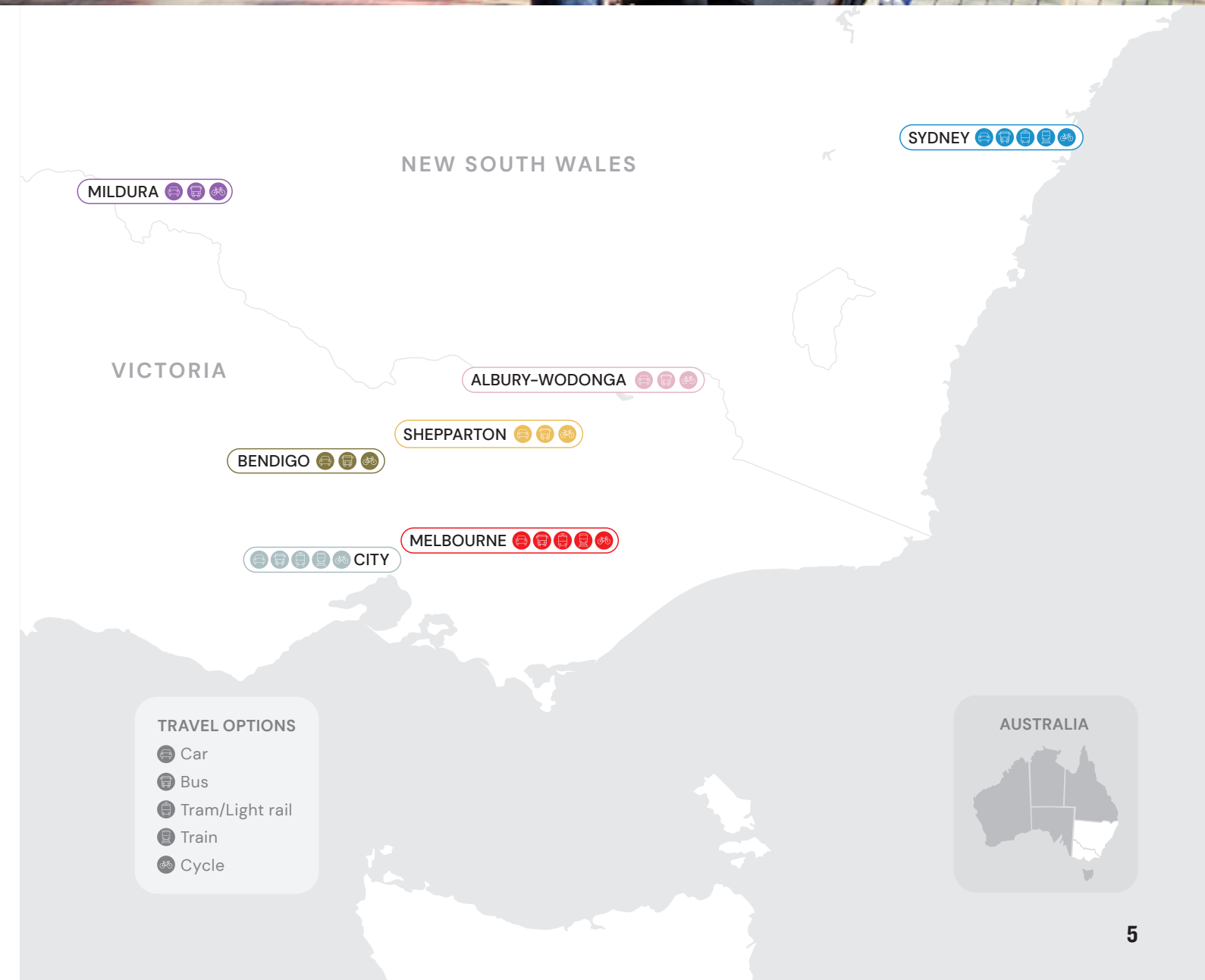
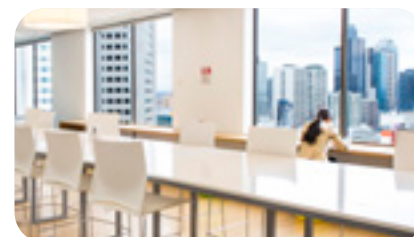
Sydney

Located in the centre of Sydney's CBD, the Sydney Campus offers foundation studies and diploma programs, along with a range of undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in the areas of business, information technology, cybersecurity, health, and education.



Melbourne (City)

Located in the heart of Melbourne's CBD, the City Campus offers postgraduate courses in health and law with modern learning facilities and easy access to work and internship opportunities, cultural events, restaurants, cafés, sporting events and shopping.



TRAVEL OPTIONS

- Car
- Bus
- Tram/Light rail
- Train
- Cycle



WELCOME TO VICTORIA

POPULATION
7 million people

MAJOR INDUSTRIES
Education, Healthcare, Finance, Manufacturing, Tourism and Agriculture.

CLIMATE
Victoria is a state with a generally temperate climate. There are four seasons in a year, ranging from warm-to-hot summers with cool (not freezing) winters. Melbourne and the rest of Victoria is known to have clean air quality with lower levels of air pollution across the state, and less overall rainfall compared to major cities like Sydney and Brisbane.

 **Summer**
Dec – Feb
14-25°C

 **Winter**
Jun – Aug
7-14°C

 **Autumn**
Mar – May
11-20°C

 **Spring**
Sept – Nov
10-20°C

MULTICULTURAL MELBOURNE

Melbourne is home to one of the world’s most culturally diverse cities, with more than 1 of 3 of the population born overseas. Melbourne has a very strong history of migration and diversity, with around 140 cultures represented from all corners of the globe making Melbourne their permanent or temporary home.

The capital of arts and entertainment

Melbourne is known to be Australia’s capital of arts and entertainment, boasting an impressive and diverse culinary culture. Whether you’re interested in touring the unique laneways of Melbourne CBD, watching sports with the locals at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), visiting cultural attractions like the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV), or sampling the endless waves of coffee, night markets and restaurants across the city – you’ll be spoiled for choice in Melbourne.



#1 FRIENDLIEST CITY WORLDWIDE¹



#4 MOST LIVEABLE CITY WORLDWIDE²



#5 BEST STUDENT CITY IN THE WORLD³



TOP 10 SAFEST CITIES IN THE WORLD⁴

1. William Russell, 2022, World’s friendliest cities
2. Economist Intelligence, 2025, The Global Liveability Index 2025
3. QS World University Rankings, 2025, QS Best Student Cities 2025
4. The Economist, 2021, Economist Safe Cities Index 2021

REGIONAL VICTORIA

Regional Victoria, also known as country Victoria, encompasses all areas of the state outside of Melbourne. The state is a natural wonderland of biological diversity and opportunity. From extensive and scenic coastlines, stunning parks and natural wonders, to the local and unique wildlife.

Regional Victoria offers international students a scenic, relaxed and smaller learning environment, where you can make the most of the unique opportunities within growing cities and towns across the state.

Natural wonderlands

Regional Victoria is home to some of Australia’s most breathtaking coastal and mountainous wonders, like the Twelve Apostles, Grampians National Park, and Murray River in Mildura.

Culinary culture

Regional Victoria boasts a vibrant culinary scene, with regional specialities using the freshest produce from local farms, vineyards, cheese makers and more.

Unique opportunities

Regional Victoria is experiencing significant industry growth, enabling students across the state to take advantage of the unique industry and post-study opportunities across the state.

WEEKEND DAY TRIPS IN REGIONAL VICTORIA

- ☐ CLIMB ABOARD A PADDLE STEAMER AND CRUISE DOWN THE MURRAY RIVER IN MILDURA
- ☐ MAKE A DAY TRIP TO ANY OF THE COUNTLESS NATIONAL PARKS IN VICTORIA
- ☐ ENJOY A PICNIC OR JUMP ON A PADDLE BOAT AT BENDIGO’S LAKE WEEROONA
- ☐ WALK, FISH BOAT OR BIKE AT ALBURY-WODONGA’S LAKE HUME
- ☐ VISIT THE STUNNING GRAMPIANS NATIONAL PARK
- ☐ MAKE A DAY TRIP OR OVERNIGHT STAY TO THE GREAT OCEAN ROAD OR MORNINGTON PENINSULA

LIVING AT LA TROBE

Discover your home away from home as you begin your academic journey at La Trobe. Create everlasting memories, make lifelong friendships and experience new adventures.



COST OF LIVING IN AUSTRALIA

Tuition and visa fees are not the only costs to consider when moving to study in Australia. While the actual living costs will vary depending on where you live and your lifestyle, planning your budget before you arrive is an important preparation step.



ACCOMMODATION EXPENSES

Median rent
in Melbourne
A\$560 per week

Median rent in
regional Victoria
A\$455 per week

Median rent at
Melbourne campus
A\$280 per week

Median rent at
Bendigo campus
A\$275 per week



STUDY EXPENSES

Textbooks and
other materials
A\$50-\$500

Public transport
(per week)
A\$30-\$60



LIVING EXPENSES

Groceries and
household items
A\$50-\$500

Electricity, water and
other utility bills
A\$30-\$60

Entertainment
and recreation
A\$30-\$60

1. Amenities may include a gym, study rooms, BBQs, communal lounge rooms, game rooms and more. See the individual residence pages for details.

ON-RESIDENCE FACILITIES

Take the stress out of settling into Australia by moving into La Trobe's fully furnished student accommodation. We offer a wide range of comfortable and accessible facilities, regardless of which campus you are attending.



Furnished room



24/7 support staff



Utilities and
unlimited Wi-Fi



A full calendar of fun
activities and events



Laundry facilities



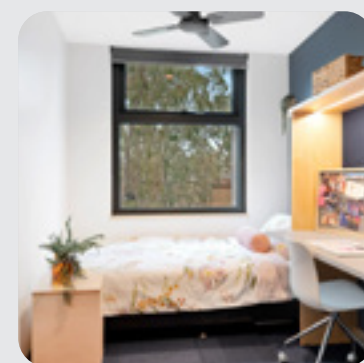
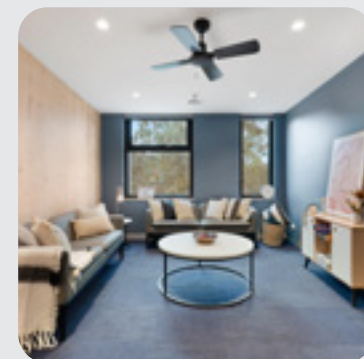
Range of amenities¹



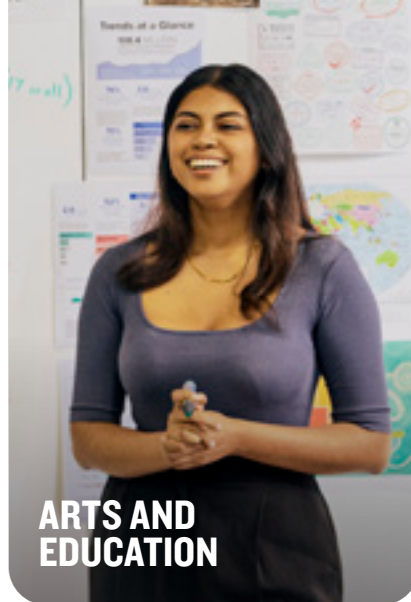
Fully secured room access
with individual keycard entry



Discounted La Trobe Indoor
Sports Centre membership



STUDY AREAS



ARTS AND EDUCATION

Whether you're driven to inspire future generations or explore the intersections of culture and society, an arts or education degree at La Trobe is your launchpad. Build an interdisciplinary degree that refines your creative and problem-solving skills. Learn from globally recognised academics and pioneering researchers with hands-on experience that prepares you to lead, teach and create with impact.



Customise your degree with majors, minors and electives from more than 50 interest areas.



We're ranked in the world's top 250 for social sciences.

Times Higher Education (THE), 2025, University Rankings 2025 by subject: Social Science



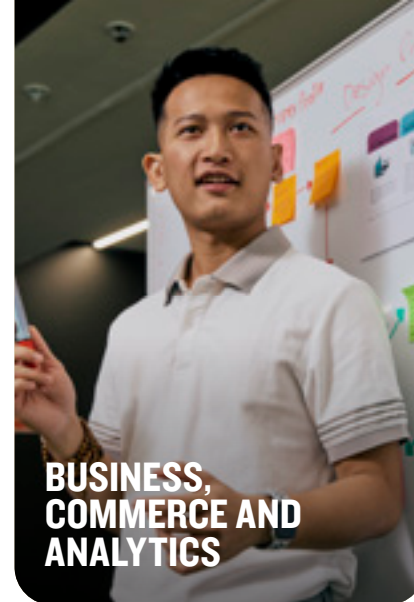
We're ranked 'above world standard' for our research in language, communication and culture.

Australian Research Council, 2019, Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) Outcomes 2018



Shaelee
Bachelor of Education (Secondary)

"La Trobe prepared me for different teaching environments. My placements prepared me for the real world because that is where you find your own teaching style."



BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND ANALYTICS

Step into the future with AI-integrated business courses. You'll explore core business principles while gaining the skills to analyse and translate data into meaningful business solutions. Learn from industry experts, connect with business mentors, then hone your skills through work placements and our multimillion-dollar business hub, tech-integrated classrooms and research facilities.



La Trobe Business School is part of only 5% of business schools globally accredited by the AACSB – the world's largest business education alliance.



We're 'well above world standard' for our banking, finance and investment research, one of the top four in Australia.

Australian Research Council, 2019, Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) Outcomes 2018

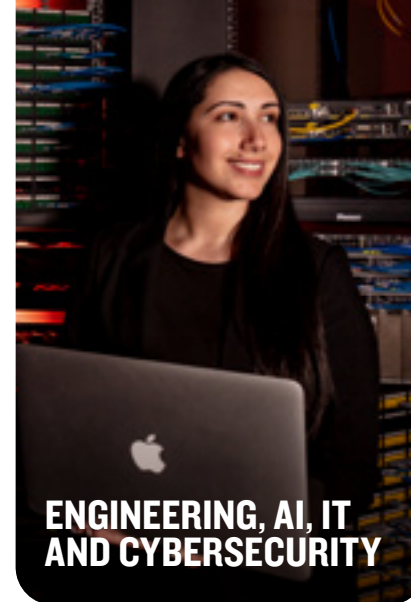


Learn in the multimillion-dollar business hub at our Melbourne Campus, with its simulated financial trading room and research facilities.



Mahesh
Master of Business Analytics

"The Master of Business Analytics has helped me develop the right mix of technical and business skills, which are highly valued in the global market."



ENGINEERING, AI, IT AND CYBERSECURITY

Explore a future in AI and other innovative technologies. You'll study IT courses embedded with cybersecurity and AI principles and develop highly specialised skillsets. You'll gain the skills to adapt to emerging technologies across an increasingly digital world, learn from industry experts and pioneers while honing your skills through work placements and our Centre for Data Analytics and Cognition.



Our research in civil engineering is top-rated nationally and rated 'well above world standard.'

Australian Research Council, 2019, Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) Outcomes 2018



Employers rated us fourth in Australia for technical skills.

Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT), 2023, 2022 Employer Satisfaction Survey



Develop your skills with practical work placements at major companies like Telstra, BMW and Boral.



Safra
Master of Electronics Engineering

"I want to thank the WIL team at La Trobe for providing me with this remarkable 6-month placement opportunity at Ceramic Oxide Fabricators, Bendigo, and for developing new skills and making me job ready."



HEALTH

Start a career where every day brings the chance to change lives. At La Trobe, you'll gain the skills to treat patients, promote public health or lead digital health innovation. Learn from experts and train in cutting-edge facilities such as our simulation labs, telehealth and exercise testing facilities, teaching clinics and more – so you graduate ready to make a real impact in healthcare.



We're ranked in the world's top 50 for nursing.

Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), 2025, QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025: Nursing



We're ranked in the world's top 50 for sport.

Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), 2025, QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025: Sports-Related Subjects



We're ranked in the top 30 worldwide for advancing healthier communities and supporting health equity.

Times Higher Education (THE), 2025, Impact Rankings 2025: good health and well-being



Hannah
Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)

"I enjoyed studying at La Trobe Bendigo as the course allowed me opportunities to complete placements at Bendigo Health Hospital, which drove me to apply for a position in a very diverse and rewarding workforce."



SCIENCE

Make a real impact by tackling the world's biggest challenges through science. Study a wide range of majors and electives, learn from expert academics in high-tech labs like our A\$100m molecular science building, work alongside renowned researchers, and gain real-world experience through industry placements with partners like Bayer and AdAlta.



Our research is rated 'well above world standard' in 15 scientific fields.

Australian Research Council, 2019, Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) Outcomes 2018



We're ranked in the world's top 200 for life sciences.

Times Higher Education (THE), 2025, World University Rankings 2025 by subject: life sciences



We're ranked in the world's top 100 for addressing climate risks, cutting emissions, and adapting to change.

Times Higher Education (THE), 2025, Impact Rankings 2025: climate action



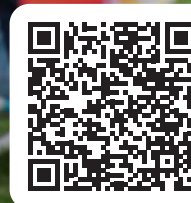
Jayde
Bachelor of Biological Sciences

"I got to work with leading researchers, learned essential laboratory skills and even co-authored my first publication. The experience [at La Trobe] was invaluable and has set me up for success in my future career."



STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Attend live events right here on campus. Meet students from around the world. Explore exciting things happening around your city. There's a lot more to your time at university than classes, with a rich student life for you to explore at La Trobe.



LIVE EVENTS

The best way to experience an event? Right here on campus. Whether it's cultural celebrations, live music, free breakfast events, the annual Orientation Welcome Festival or something more academic like a public lecture, you'll have things to look forward to throughout the year.



EXPLORE THE CITY

In bigger cities like Melbourne and Sydney, you'll find thriving subcultures around culinary traditions, music and art growing from that multicultural foundation. With its diverse range of cuisines, festivals, museums, galleries and sporting events, Melbourne consistently ranks as one of the world's best student cities.



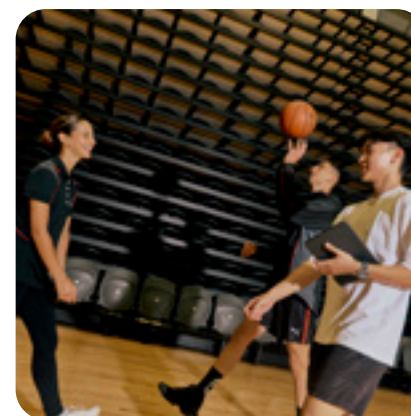
MEET LIKE-MINDED STUDENTS

La Trobe is home to all kinds of clubs, including academic, creative, cultural, community and more. So, whether you're into movies, politics, games or just want to meet students from your study area, student clubs are one of the best ways to get social.



STAY ACTIVE

With our wide range of clubs and competitions, as well as on-campus facilities, you'll have the chance to get involved in fun sporting events all year round and meet new people along the way.



PERSONAL SUPPORT

As a student at La Trobe, you'll have free access to confidential advice, legal assistance and financial counselling to help you with almost any personal issue you encounter. Our support and professional staff can also support you with career and study advice, referrals and on-campus help.



STUDENT SERVICES

We're here to help you make the most of your time at La Trobe with our wide range of student services.



Getting started

Your first point of contact for any issue or query is ASK La Trobe. ASK La Trobe can connect you to the right service, or help you directly with things like enrolment, timetabling, financial support and graduation.



Handbook

The online Handbook is your guide to success. Understand your course structure, prerequisite subjects, majors, minors and more. Plan your enrolment, view subject delivery options, see key dates on the Academic Calendar and find coordinator details.



My La Trobe

Go online to MyLaTrobe to find study tips, announcements and events that help you succeed as a student – like strategies for expanding your English vocabulary or how to use evidence in your writing.



Wellbeing

We have multifaith spiritual wellbeing services across all our campuses and online. Our Multifaith Spiritual Advisors can help you on your faith journey or connect you with services in your community.

HOW TO APPLY

STEPS TO APPLY

STEP 1

Find a degree

Use our course search tool to explore our range of undergraduate, postgraduate and research courses to find the right degree for you.

STEP 2

Begin applying

As an international student, you can apply through an authorised La Trobe agent or directly via our online form.

STEP 3

Check all entry requirements

You will find essential entry requirements for your course in this guide and the full list of requirements on the course page on our website.

STEP 4

Collect academic and identity documents

When lodging your application with La Trobe, you will need to provide a range of academic, financial and identity documents.

STEP 5

Submit your application

Download our application checklist before submission. Verify that you have met all admission criteria, then submit.

Take the next step.
Start your La Trobe application now.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At La Trobe, we have minimum academic and language requirements for undergraduate, postgraduate and graduate research study.

Undergraduate

At a minimum, you need to have completed Australian Year 12 (or an accepted international equivalent) with a certain grade. You may also need to meet subject prerequisites.

Postgraduate coursework

You need to have completed an Australian Bachelor's degree (or international equivalent) with certain grades. For some degrees, we may consider prior learning through work experience or professional accreditation. Some courses may have additional entry requirements.

Higher degrees by research

We offer three types of graduate research degrees, depending on your goals, and educational and professional backgrounds. To find out the entry requirements, visit: latrobe.edu.au/study/apply/research

English language requirements

IELTS scores are our primary measure of English proficiency. However, we may accept tests other than IELTS if your overall score is the equivalent of the required IELTS score. Once you know your course's minimum accepted IELTS score, check that score against the information on our website to see its equivalent score in other English proficiency tests.

Don't meet all entry requirements?
Explore pathway options to your dream course at La Trobe.



LA TROBE INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Our scholarships are designed to provide the support you need while you study in Australia.

We have scholarships available for all levels of study, whether you're pursuing undergraduate, postgraduate coursework or postgraduate research.

Our scholarship offerings reduce the stress of international study, recognise your achievements and reward your commitment to your future.

"La Trobe University offers a great deal of support to students, both academically and professionally. The school also has many scholarships to choose from, most are automatic, meaning you will automatically be considered for a scholarship."



Alex
Master of Data Science

Find a La Trobe scholarship that supports your study journey in Australia.



TAKE THE NEXT STEP

Meet us in your country

latrobe.edu.au/international/contact/your-country

Find an agent

latrobe.edu.au/international/contact/agent-finder

Events and webinars

latrobe.edu.au/international/contact/events

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

La Trobe University acknowledges our campuses are located on the lands of many Traditional Custodians in Victoria and New South Wales.

We recognise their ongoing connection to the land and value their unique contribution to the University and wider Australian society.

La Trobe University is committed to providing opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, both as individuals and communities, through teaching, learning, research and partnerships across all our campuses.

Wurundjeri
Melbourne (Bundoora & City)

Dja Dja Wurrung
Bendigo

Yorta Yorta
Shepparton

Dhudhuroa/Waywurru
Albury-Wodonga

Latji Latji
Mildura

Gadigal
Sydney