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This letter confirms the holiday periods for international students currently enrolled at La Trobe University.

International students on student visas undertaking a degree by coursework (Bachelor degree or Masters by coursework) are entitled to work 48 hours per fortnight when their course is in session, and unlimited hours when their course is on break (out of session).

In session means:

- Enrolment during advertised semesters/terms/non-standard study periods, including examination periods regardless of exam status (i.e. even if a student does not have any exams)
- Student is enrolled in any subject with credit points counting towards their course

A student undertaking a full research degree (Masters by research or PhD) may work unlimited hours during their studies in Australia.

Both coursework and research students can only start working after their course has commenced. For further information, visit our website: https://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/life/living/work.

For students studying packaged courses in La Trobe's pathway program https://www.latrobe.edu.au/international/applying/pathways (e.g. La Trobe College Australia [LTCA]'s Diploma course to La Trobe University's Bachelor program), their study is considered on break (out of session) after they have formally completed their initial LTCA course and waiting for their Bachelor program to commence. They can work unlimited hours during this period.

This information may be verified on the Department of Home Affairs website: https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/overview.

For the purposes of La Trobe University, the core Semester and Term Dates for 2026 and 2027 are as follows:

2026 - 2027 Compulsory Study and Exam Periods	**Start Date**	**End Date**	**International Student Work Hours Explanation**
Semester 2 2026**	13 July 2026	24 October 2026	48 hours per fortnight limit applies if student is enrolled in the study period.
Term 5 2026	7 September 2026	24 October 2026	
Term 6 2026	2 November 2026	19 December 2026	
Summer 2026***	2 November 2026	20 February 2027	
Semester 1 2027*	1 March 2027	12 June 2027	
Semester 2 2027**	12 July 2027	23 October 2027	
Term 1 2027	4 January 2027	20 February 2027	
Term 2 2027	1 March 2027	24 April 2027	
Term 3 2027	3 May 2027	19 June 2027	
Term 4 2027	12 July 2027	28 August 2027	
Term 5 2027	6 September 2027	23 October 2027	
Term 6 2027	1 November 2027	18 December 2027	
Summer 2027***	1 November 2027	19 February 2028	

These dates can be verified on our website: http://www.latrobe.edu.au/calendar/academic-calendar.

Notes:

1. Students can work unlimited hours when they are not studying in the above study periods. However, their work restrictions apply if they are enrolled in a simultaneous study period or any other study period not listed above (e.g. non-standard study periods).
2. For students **commencing their course** in Term 6, Summer Semester or Term 1, the relevant commencing study period is compulsory. For most **continuing** international students, these study periods are optional and are generally not compulsory.
3. Semester-based courses are not in session during:

* Semester 1 Mid-Semester and Term 2 Mid-Term break (including Easter):

- **2026**: from **3 April** to **12 April 2026**
- **2027:** from **26 March** to **4 April 2027**

** Semester 2 Mid-Semester break:

- **2026:** from **31 August** to **6 September 2026**
- **2027:** from **23** to **29 August 2027**

*** Summer 2026 Mid-Semester break:

- **2026:** from **21 December 2026** to **3 January 2027**
- **2027:** from **20 December 2027** to **3 January 2028**

An international student can prove they are an enrolled student at La Trobe University by providing:

- an Academic Transcript, or;
- a Statement of Account for the Semester (internal versions from their StudentOnLine account), or;
- a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE), or;
- a La Trobe student card.

Yours sincerely,



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