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### STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE GUIDE 2025

### Make it matter

# ABOUT GRIFFITH

Since 1975, Griffith University has been providing a world-class education designed to help our students thrive professionally and personally long after they graduate. Led by our strong, progressive values, Griffith's globally renowned educators will give you the skills, knowledge and support you need to make your study choices matter.



# Ranked in the top 2% worldwide

Griffith ranks alongside some of the best universities in the world.\*



### Support you need to succeed

You will have access to a wide range of services to make sure you are supported and connected.



# Committed to sustainability

Since our inception, Griffith University has been a leader in sustainability through our ongoing commitment to the environment and to social justice.



### Dedicated International Student Advisor team

To help you with everything from settling in to maximising your time at Griffith.



Prepare for the future of work with courses informed by industry and based on cutting-edge research.



### **Community Internship**

Make a difference while developing professional skills and gain credit towards your degree.

\* Griffith consistently places in the top 2% of universities worldwide according to a series of prestigious ranking systems. These include the 2023 Times Higher Education World University Rankings: 251-300; 2022-2023 US News Best Global Universities: 203, and the 2024 QS World University Rankings: 255. Current as at July 2024.

\*\* Ranked against the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Griffith placed in the top 100 universities worldwide in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings for 2023.

# **GRIFFITH FAST FACTS**



students



degrees





### 300,000+ graduates





### 20+ research institutes and centres



across Brisbane and the Gold Coast





Watch our video and find out why you should choose Griffith University as your study abroad destination!



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### Welcome to the Griffith University Study Abroad and Exchange Guide.

Every year I hear from students who have been with us for a trimester or two how transformative the experience has been for them, both in terms of the different perspectives they have gained academically, as well as everything they have learnt about themselves through their study abroad or exchange experience at Griffith.

Griffith University is proud to welcome students from diverse cultures and nationalities, who come for the quality of our curricula and academic experience as well as the location of our beautiful campuses in Brisbane and the Gold Coast. The majority of our programs are available to international students looking to spend a part of their degree study with us, and many are offered at more than one of our campuses. Your biggest challenge may well be deciding between the vibrant, beachside city of the Gold Coast and the cosmopolitan capital of Queensland, Brisbane. No matter which campus and lifestyle you choose to experience, you will find a range of events and activities designed to help you make the most of your time at Griffith, alongside a comprehensive range of academic programs delivered by leading teachers and researchers.

I hope you find this Guide informative, and that you will take the opportunity to find out for yourself why so many students from around the world choose to include Griffith University in their study program.

Professor Sarah Todd Vice President (Global)

# **Know your options**

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Griffith University is one of the leading providers of higher education in the Asia-Pacific, with a reputation for research and teaching excellence. We provide you with specialised courses and activities to make your Australian experience relevant and memorable.

### How much will it cost?

### Study Abroad program

Undergraduate and postgraduate **2024 fees:** 30CP – A\$10,194 40CP – A\$11,645

### **Exchange program**

Exchange students are nominated by a Griffith partner university and are not required to pay tuition fees to Griffith University. Any tuition fees are paid to your home university.

Most students will be required to cover the cost of Overseas Student Health Cover.

### How many courses can I study?

At Griffith, a typical full-time study load is 30 to 40 credit points (CP). One course (subject) is usually worth 10CP. You can choose from the following options per trimester:

30CP – 3 courses
40CP – 4 courses

10CP = 3 to 4 credits in the US system 10CP = 7.5 ECTS in the European system

Note: the above information should be used as a guide only.

### English + University

Our English + University program is the best way to meet Griffith's English language entry requirements before you begin your Study Abroad trimester (or year). English + University students complete Griffith English Language Institute's award winning Direct Entry Program then begin their Griffith University Study Abroad program as a confident English speaker, listener, reader and writer. Additional fees apply.

griffith.edu.au/geli

### **Community Internship**

The Community Internship is a 10-credit point course, available to students from all disciplines. Through this course you will be able to make a difference in a local community organisation while developing a range of professional and personal skills. You will spend a minimum of 50 hours in a not-for-profit organisation placement and combine this with academic learning. With hundreds of internship opportunities, we can tailor the internship to match your study area or interests. Please be aware that this course is only available to Study Abroad students, it is not available to Exchange students.

griffith.edu.au/community-internship



For the most up-to-date study abroad fees please visit *griffith.edu.au/global-mobility-inbound-costs* 



"Griffith is a great university where I was able to choose interesting courses which fit into my bachelor degree in Germany. I also love the Gold Coast and think it's a great place to stay and do your study abroad."

Julia (Germany)

# **Study areas**

Griffith has an extensive and diverse range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses to choose from. You can select courses from most study areas, programs and year levels. However, please be aware that some study areas are restricted or are not available to single trimester students, also some study areas may have additional special conditions applied.

### Architecture, construction and planning

- Architecture
- Construction Management
- Urban and Environmental Planning

### Business and government

- Accounting
- Asian Studies
- Economics
- Employment Relations
- Events
- · Finance & Financial Planning
- Human Resource Management
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- International Business
- International Tourism & Hotel Management
- · Logistics & Supply Chain Management
- Management
- Marketing
- Political Science and
- International Relations
- Real Estate & Property Development
- Sport Management
- Sustainable Business
- Tourism and Travel

### Criminology and law

- Criminology
- Criminal Justice
- Law ◊

### Education

- Primary Education
- Secondary Education
- Special & Inclusive Education

### Engineering, IT and aviation

- Aviation & Aviation Management
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Science
- Cyber Security
- $\cdot\,$  Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Electronic Engineering
- Electronic and Computer Engineering
- Electronic and Energy Engineering
- $\cdot\,$  Electronic and UAV Engineering

- Engineering Project Management
  - Environmental Engineering
  - Industrial Design
  - Information Technology
  - Mechanical Engineering
  - Software Engineering

### Humanities, languages and social sciences

- · Australian & Indigenous Studies
- Creative Writing & Literature
- Digital Media Production
- Gender Studies
- History
- Islam-West Relations
- Journalism
- Languages Japanese, Chinese, Spanish & Italian
- Linguistics
- Public Relations
- Screen Studies
- Social Sciences
- Strategic Communication

### Medicine, dentistry and health

- Biomedical Science
- Counselling
- Environmental Health
- Exercise Science
- Health Science
- Human Services
- Medical Science
- NutritionPharmacy
- Psychological Science
- Public Health
- Social Work

### Music and performing arts

(Exchange students only)

- Composition
- Music & Sound Design
- Music Technology
- Musical Theatre
- Performance, Brass, Voice, Jazz, Keyboard, Percussion, Strings, Woodwind o
- Popular Music or

For information on course availability visit griffith.edu.au/inbound-study-options

### Science and environment

Applied Mathematics & Statistics

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- Aquatic Ecosystems
- Archaeology
- Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
- Bioinformatics
- Chemistry
- Climate Change Adaptation
- Ecology & Conservation Biology
- Environmental Health
- Environmental Management
- Environmental Protection & Pollution
- Environmental Science

Soil and Water Science

Visual and creative arts

· Contemporary Indigenous Art

Film and Screen Media Production

Only available to students who are doing

Please note that this list is intended as a

guide only. It is important that you check

the Griffith University website for detailed

course information and availability.

a degree in this study area

Availability of courses

Urban Environments

Water Resources

Wildlife Biology

Animation

Games Design

Photography

Visual Art

Legend

Industrial Design

Art Theory

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Marine Biology

Microbiology

Physics

Environmental Sustainability
Geography

Physical Environmental Science



### BRISBANE

Brisbane is a vibrant, expanding city, offering world-class education, a beautiful climate and a superb lifestyle. It is an ideal place to study and develop your career.

Average temperature: 15°C–26°C

- Population: 2.62 million\*
- 283 days of sunshine a year
- Culturally diverse population: 27% of Brisbane's residents were born overseas
- Brisbane is the host city of the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games
- \* Population data supplied by City of Brisbane brisbane.qld.gov.au/brisbane-community-profiles

# OUR LOCATION

Our campuses are located across the cities of Brisbane, Logan and Gold Coast.





Find out more at: griffith.edu.au/life-atgriffith/off-campus

### **GOLD COAST**

Beautiful beaches, excellent quality of life and friendly people make the Gold Coast a popular study destination.

Planet 1

- Average temperature: 15°C–25°C
  - Population: More than 645,000\*
- 300 days of sunshine a year
- Beautiful white sandy beaches spanning nearly 60km of coastline
- 100,000 hectares of World Heritage-listed rainforests
- \* Population data supplied by City of Gold Coast goldcoast.qld.gov.au/Council-region/About-our-city/ Population-data



### **BRISBANE CITY** (SOUTH BANK)

Queensland College of Art and Design, Griffith Film School, Queensland Conservatorium 1.1km to Brisbane CBD

- 🚔 Car = 5 minutes Bus = 10 minutes
- So Bicycle = 6 minutes
- K Walk = 13 minutes



### **BRISBANE SOUTH** (NATHAN)

- 12.9km to Brisbane CBD
- Car = 15 minutes
- Bus = 20 minutes
- So Bicycle = 50 minutes



### **BRISBANE SOUTH** (MT GRAVATT)

- 11.7km to Brisbane CBD
- Car = 15 minutes
- Bus = 20 minutes
- So Bicycle = 50 minutes





LOGAN 28.4km to Brisbane CBD Car = 30 minutes Bus = 1 hour

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Bank

Nathan

### **GOLD COAST**

- 4.5km to Southport CBD 🖨 Car = 10 minutes 📮 Light rail = 9 minutes So Bicycle = 20 minutes
- 60.9km to Brisbane CBD 🖨 Car = 60 minutes





Find out more at griffith.edu.au/life-at-griffith

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Whether you would like to live on campus or off campus, there are several options you can explore to find housing to suit your needs. Options include Homestay, which allows you to experience life with a local family while you study.

### Temporary and short-stay accommodation

If you are intending to organise long-term off-campus accommodation once you arrive in Queensland, it is vitally important that you organise temporary accommodation for your first few days or weeks in Queensland, as it is important that you inspect your long-term off-campus accommodation before you move in. There are short-term accommodation options located near each of our campuses that are easily accessible by public transport.

### Off campus

In Australia, share housing—where you share a house or apartment with a number of other students—is the most common form of off-campus accommodation.

When looking for suitable off-campus accommodation, you will need to consider:

- the cost of rent (usually advertised as a weekly amount)
- if utilities are included in your rent (electricity, water, gas)
- if internet is included in your rent
- if the accommodation is furnished
- how close the accommodation is to your campus
- access to public transport.

### Off-campus accommodation preferred partners

The University has preferred partnerships with a selection of student accommodation providers in Brisbane and the Gold Coast. To ensure the quality and safety of these accommodation options, they have been inspected by Griffith University staff and have met performance and standards criteria.

### Brisbane

Genesis 1; Scape; Student One; UniLodge Park Central; Uniresort.

### Logan

UniCentral Griffith.

### Gold Coast

University Village; Metro on Central; University Square.



Find out more at griffith.edu.au/where-to-live

### Homestay

Homestay accommodation gives you the opportunity to live with an Australian family while you study. It is a great way to develop your English language skills and experience life in Australia, and offers catered and self-catered options. Homestay is available to students at all Griffith campuses. Some homestay providers offer independent living options such as a granny flat.

### Additional resources

You can find additional resources for accommodation options on the Gold Coast on the Study Gold Coast website at studygoldcoast.org.au/live/student-accommodation/

### On campus

Griffith offers self-catered accommodation at Nathan campus and partners with Campus Living Villages to provide self-catered, on-campus accommodation in the Griffith University Village on the Gold Coast campus.

Living on campus is a fantastic way to meet new people, find out about new cultures and develop independence. On-campus accommodation is fully furnished and provides access to cooking facilities, laundry facilities, common rooms and internet, as well as offering a vibrant social life.

### Airport pickup

International students commencing at Griffith University can apply for a free airport pickup, which takes you from the airport directly to your pre-arranged accommodation. The service is free for eligible new international students arriving at the Brisbane or Gold Coast airports.

### COMING SOON!

### New accommodation in 2026

Our Gold Coast campus is set to boast a new student accommodation tower. It is forecast for completion in 2026, with 459 new beds to be available.

# **Cost of living**

There are many different costs involved in international study and your cost of living in Australia will vary depending on your lifestyle and personal requirements.

South East Queensland offers a combination of quality education and high living standards. The Australian Government requires students to have access to a minimum of **A\$29,710**\* per year to meet their living costs, but most students spend more than this. Costs will be higher if you have family members accompanying you. \*As at May 2024

### Tuition fees

Tuition fees are reviewed annually, and international students should expect an increase in fees each year.

### Calculating your total cost of study

Your total cost of studying in Australia will include:

- tuition fees
- visa application fees
- Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)
- flights
- cost of living
- other personal and study-related expenses.

### Weekly cost of living estimate

Please be advised these figures are an estimate only and individual differences mean prices will vary. Please note these costs do not include: arrival costs, temporary/short-term accommodation, security deposit, textbooks, clothing, and medical expenses. Some of this information is based on 2024 costs according to Study Australia\*\* (for more details visit: studyaustralia.gov.au/english/live/living-costs).

	Self-catered on campus	Share house off campus	Homestay off campus
Campus availability	G, N	G, N, M, S, L	G, N, M, S, L
Rent	\$180-\$300 (N), \$300-\$450 (G)	\$250-\$450	\$250-\$420
Food	\$140-\$280	\$140-\$280	Variable*
Transport to university	Walking distance	\$30-\$60	\$30-\$60
Electricity and gas	Included	\$25-\$40	Included <sup>+</sup>
Mobile phone and internet	\$15–\$30 (Internet included at Gold Coast and Nathan campuses).	\$15-\$30	\$15-\$30
Entertainment	\$100-\$200	\$100-\$200	\$100-\$200

\* Fully-catered Homestay accommodation includes food. The cost of fully-catered, semi-catered or self-catered Homestay accommodation will vary.

<sup>+</sup> Students can expect to pay an additional cost for heating and air conditioning.

\*\* These costs were calculated in January 2024



"Studying abroad in Australia is the best decision I ever made. The opportunities for adventure and self-discovery are endless, and you'll come back a more confident and self-assured person. I'm so grateful for the chance to experience everything that Australia has to offer." Floris (Netherlands)



Find out more at griffith.edu.au/international-costs

# **YOUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE**

Meet new people, make friends, enjoy the Australian lifestyle and most importantly, have fun! We want you to have the best possible experience with your studies and enjoy your time at Griffith.

### Sport and fitness

Griffith offers a variety of sporting facilities and competitions. You can join Griffith Sport for social sport competitions or enjoy discounted student memberships for facilities including:

- on-campus gyms
- athletics track at Gold Coast campus
- Mt Gravatt Tennis Centre
- swimming pools at Mt Gravatt and Gold Coast campuses.

griffith.edu.au/sport

### Orientation

Once you are ready to enrol in your first trimester, you will be sent a link to myOrientation, a compulsory online orientation that will provide you with key information to prepare you for study and life at Griffith. Orientation Week is when you get to know Griffith, connect with your key support network online or on campus, and have fun meeting people before you start classes.

- Find out about studying and living in Australia at an International Student Welcome session during Orientation Week.
- Discover Brisbane or Gold Coast highlights on a free Twilight City Walking Tour with the Griffith Mates.
- · Enjoy free activities on campus and in your new city!

Find out more at

griffith.edu.au/life-at-griffith

griffith.edu.au/orientation

### Clubs and societies

Griffith has over 120 clubs in cultural, religious, political, educational, sporting, professional and special interest areas. There are also international student clubs, societies and associations, including from: Africa, Bangladesh, China, Pacific Islands (Pasifika), Philippines, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Papua New Guinea, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam.

griffith.edu.au/clubs

### Griffith volunteer community

In addition to Bush Care and Park and Coastal Care, Griffith Mates offers a range of other volunteer opportunities, which change each trimester. These can include volunteering at fun runs, community events or caring for the environment.

### Griffith Bush Care group

(Brisbane campuses)

Help restore the Australian bush environment and, if you are lucky, see koalas, possums and sugar gliders. Join us to develop your teamwork skills, learn more about the environment and meet new people.

### Griffith Park and Coastal Care group

(Gold Coast campus)

Our Gold Coast group does a different activity each trimester, including park care, beach care, tree planting, and more! This is a great way to give back to the environment, meet new people and enjoy the beaches of the Gold Coast.

griffith.edu.au/mates

### Religion

Each Griffith campus provides access to prayer facilities. Multi-faith chaplains are available for in-person appointments (Nathan and Gold Coast campuses) and for online appointments.

griffith.edu.au/chaplaincy



### **Griffith Mates**

Meet the Griffith Mates, a diverse peer-support network for all students. You can join their events and activities to meet people and make friends. Some of these include:

- Orientation Week events
- Twilight city walking tours
- Community volunteering
- International night and more!

griffith.edu.au/mates

# How to apply

You can complete your Study Abroad or Exchange Program application in four simple steps.

Study Abroad applicants:

### CHECK YOU MEET ACADEMIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS.

You must have an above average overall grade point average (equivalent to 4.5 on Griffith's 7.0 scale).

Students straight from high school may be eligible for this program.

**OR** Exchange applicants:

### REQUEST NOMINATION FROM YOUR HOME UNIVERSITY.

If you are from an exchange partner university, you must be nominated by your home university and meet their exchange program requirements to be eligible for the program.

### **2** CHECK YOU MEET ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS.

If you are from a non-English speaking background, you must provide proof of English language proficiency, equivalent to IELTS overall 6.0 (6.5 for postgraduate students). Visit the link below for detailed English language requirements.

## **3 PREPARE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION.**

Include a copy of the most recent official academic transcript (including academic grading scale)\*; proof of English language proficiency (if required); copy of passport. \*Students may be asked for certified copies of the documentation listed above, i.e. signed and stamped by a home university representative, agent or provider.



Apply online or via a registered recruitment representative.



Find out more at griffith.edu.au/ global-mobility-inbound-apply

### **2025 STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE GUIDE**

### Key dates\*

Trimester 1 2025 (T1)

Orientation	24 February – 28 February
Teaching weeks	3 March – 30 May
Study days	2 June – 4 June
Exam period	5 June – 14 June

### Trimester 2 2025 (T2)

Orientation	7 July – 11 July
Teaching weeks	14 July – 10 October
Study days	13 October – 15 October
Exam period	16 October – 25 October

### Trimester 3 2025 (T3)

Orientation	27 October – 31 October
Teaching weeks	3 November – 6 February (2026)
Study days	9 February (2026) – 11 February (2026)
Exam period	12 February (2026) – 21 February (2026)

<sup>r</sup> Some programs have different academic calendars. Please visit griffith.edu.au/academic-calendar-key-dates for a full list of key dates

### griffith.edu.au/international

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