



BOND UNIVERSITY

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# STUDY ABROAD AUSTRALIA





Everyone has expectations for their future...

And success means different things to different people.

Some are happy to live from day to day.  
Others - like yourself - want much more.  
You think bigger. You want to move faster.  
You want to go further.

You're determined to achieve something extraordinary.

At Bond University, we recognise your passion and  
fast-track your progress.

**BOND UNIVERSITY.  
WE SHARE YOUR AMBITION.  
WE BRING IT TO LIFE.**



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# WHAT BOND OFFERS

## CONVENIENT START DATES

Bond's trimester structure provides convenient start dates for Northern Hemisphere students with semesters starting in January, May and September.

## PERSONALISED ATTENTION IN SMALL CLASSES

Our student to teacher ratio of 10:1\* is comparable with leading Ivy League universities and colleges.

## VARIETY OF SUBJECT CHOICES

A choice of more than 3,000 subjects (courses) in a diverse range of disciplines.

## CREDIT FOR YOUR STUDIES

The option to credit your studies here towards your degree program back home (pending approval from your home institution).

## FIVE-STAR TEACHING QUALITY

Access to internationally renowned academics and high profile speakers from the corporate, political and community sectors.

## WORLD-CLASS CAMPUS

Unparalleled access to academic, technological and recreational facilities.

## SAFE AND SECURE CAMPUS

On-campus security with patrols 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

## ACCOMMODATION CHOICES

Accommodation options with your choice of on-campus accommodation or independent living arrangements near the campus.

## SOCIAL CAMPUS LIFE

Social activities, tour programs and clubs to suit a wide variety of interests.

## GLOBAL ALUMNI NETWORK

Our students and academic staff come from over 80 different countries world-wide, ensuring an evenly balanced classroom and a global network of contacts.

## PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

Bond University offers graduate placement programs, work experience and internships that give students the opportunity to put their theoretical skills into practice.

\*2007 Student to Teacher Ratio, Universities Australia

## HOW BOND RATES

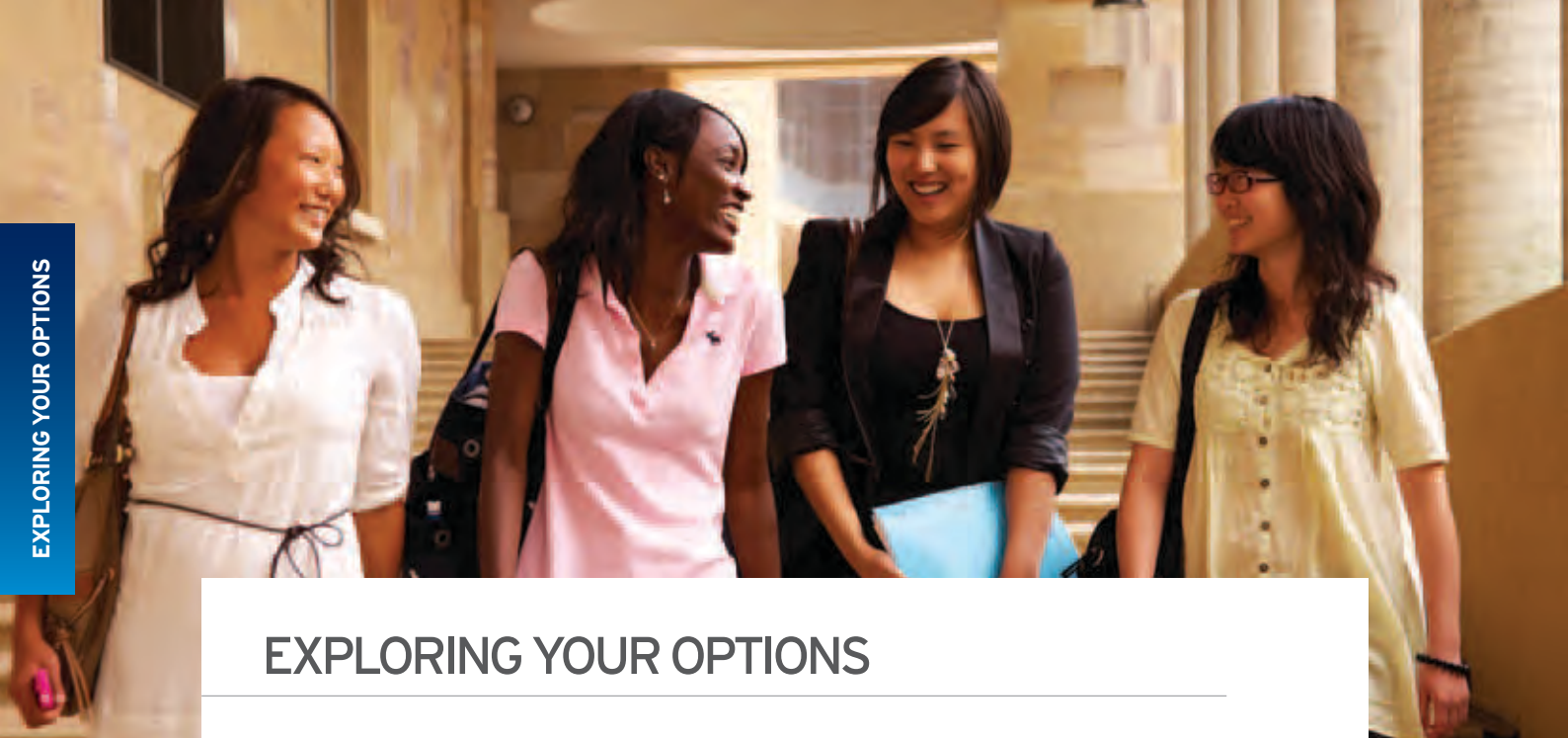
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★★★★★	GRADUATE STARTING SALARY*
★★★★★	TEACHING QUALITY*
★★★★★	STAFF QUALIFICATIONS*
★★★★★	STUDENT : STAFF RATIO*
★★★★★	GETTING A JOB*
★★★★★	POSITIVE GRADUATE OUTCOMES*

#1 OVERALL GRADUATE SATISFACTION\*\*

#1 STUDENT TO STAFF RATIO\*\*\*

#1 GRADUATE SATISFACTION IN LAW\*\*

\* 2010 Good Universities Guide  
\*\* Compared to Australia's Group of Eight leading universities, Graduate Careers Australia's 2008 Australian Graduate Survey based on 2007 Graduates  
\*\*\* 2007 Student To Teacher Ratio, Universities Australia



## EXPLORING YOUR OPTIONS

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Studying abroad is an experience that will stay with you for the rest of your life. It's an opportunity to expand your educational horizons; to step outside the boundaries of the accepted curriculum and enhance your qualifications with an international perspective.

At Bond University, students have a choice of more than 3,000 courses, including subjects unique to Australia. These courses are offered through the Faculties of:

- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Business, Technology and Sustainable Development  
Including the School of Hotel, Resort and Tourism Management
- Health Sciences and Medicine
- Law



“ My semester at Bond University exceeded all my expectations and I had an experience of a lifetime. From the very moment I arrived I could feel the warmth of the Bond community. The students were very friendly and welcoming, the professors encouraging and knowledgeable and you have plenty of support services available to you. My classes were really interesting and I fulfilled my home university's requirements by receiving credit for my courses. ”

**Michelle Squires** - QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, CONNETICUT, USA



## FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bond's Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences offers programs in over 15 disciplines including: communications, journalism, psychology, criminology, philosophy, film and television, international relations, counselling and behaviour management, to name just a few. Some disciplines even offer the opportunity for internships and work experience (subject to approval).

A sample of courses from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences includes:

- Australia: Dreamtime to Dust
- Australian Popular Culture
- Australian History
- Australian Media
- Buddhist Philosophy
- Counselling - Understanding and Changing Human Behaviour
- Crime and Deviance
- East-West International Diplomacy

- Film and Television - Sex, Society and the Movies
- Forensic Victimology
- Intercultural Communication
- Website Design
- Social Psychology
- Developmental Disabilities and Inclusive Practices
- Psychology of Sport and Exercise
- Public Relations Principles and Practice

During your study abroad semester, you must be a full-time student. This means taking a minimum of three subjects - many students take four. The amount of time spent in class varies, averaging between three or four hours per subject, per week, for a total of 12 to 16 hours per week.

Students are also required to complete approximately four hours of their own personal study per subject, per week. This will however vary per subject and Faculty.

Example timetable of a Film and Television study abroad student:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	9am - 11am FITV12-203: Editing 1 Lecture	9am - 11am FITV11-120: Image and Photography Lecture	9am - 12pm FITV11-110: Screenwriting 1 Lecture	
	11am - 1pm FITV12-203: Editing 1 Laboratory	11am - 1pm FITV11-120: Image and Photography Laboratory	12pm - 3pm FITV11-110: Screenwriting 1 Laboratory	

Subjects will vary each semester and some may require you to have completed prerequisites at your home institution. Please search under the relevant faculty at the below link for the subjects available:  
[www.bond.edu.au/study-abroad](http://www.bond.edu.au/study-abroad).





## FACULTY OF BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Bond University's Faculty of Business, Technology and Sustainable Development offers a diverse range of programs in the School of Business, School of Information Technology, School of Hotel, Resort and Tourism Management and the School of Sustainable Development. Our business subjects are characterised by a hands-on entrepreneurial approach, applying academic theory to the often intangible complexities of actual corporate case-studies; while our IT offerings focus on the problem solving, negotiation and communication techniques required by IT professionals.

A sample of courses from the Faculty of Business, Technology and Sustainable Development includes:

- Corporate Finance
- Doing Business in Australia
- Entrepreneurship
- International Business
- Internet Marketing
- Managing Projects

- Organisational Behaviour
- Principles of Sustainable Property
- Strategic Management
- Sustainable Tourism
- Consumer and Buyer Behaviour

To meet your student visa requirements, you must be a full-time student during your study abroad semester. This requires you to take a minimum of three subjects - many students take four, per semester. The average amount of time spent in class is between three to four hours per subject, which equates to 12 to 16 hours contact time a week.

Students should also complete around four hours of their own personal study per subject, per week. This however, varies per subject and Faculty.

Example timetable of a Business study abroad student:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8am - 10am FINC13-301: Corporate Finance Seminar 1	10am - 12pm IBUS12-250: Introduction to International Business Seminar 1	11am - 1pm FINC13-301: Corporate Finance Seminar 2	8am - 10am ECON13-302: Business Conditions Analysis Tutorial	
	12pm - 2pm ECON13-302: Business Conditions Analysis Lecture	4pm - 6pm IBUS12-250: Introduction to International Business Seminar 2		

Subjects will vary each semester and some may require you to have completed prerequisites at your home institution. Please search under the relevant faculty at the below link for the subjects available:  
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## FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND MEDICINE

The Faculty of Health Sciences and Medicine is dedicated to shaping health professionals who are distinguished not just by their superior clinical skills, but by their ethics, compassion and humanity. The Faculty's extensive range of subject offerings in the fields of biomedical science, exercise science, forensic science, health sciences, sports management and sports science combine research-based teaching knowledge with supervised practical experience.

A sample of courses from the Faculty of Health Sciences and Medicine includes:

- Australian Sport in the Modern Era
- Biochemistry
- Biophysics and Bioinstrumentation
- Cell Biology
- Event Management
- Forensic Anthropology
- Forensic Chemistry
- Forensic DNA Profiling
- Forensic Genetic Applications
- Human Biology

- Human Lifespan Development
- Introduction to Chemistry
- Introduction to Forensic Science
- Nutrition and Health
- Psychology of High Performance
- Scientific Thinking and Research Skills
- Sport Coaching
- Sport Management
- Sport Marketing

You must be a full-time student during your study abroad semester at Bond. This means taking a minimum of three subjects, but many students take four a semester. The amount of contact time in class averages between three or four hours per subject (a total of 12 to 16 hours), per week.

Students should complete approximately four hours of their own personal study per subject, per week. This will however vary per subject and Faculty.

Example timetable of a Biomedical Science study abroad student:

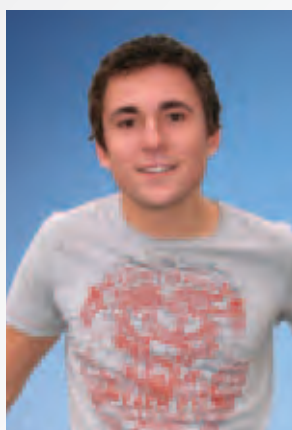
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8am - 9am BMED11-203: Cell Biology Tutotial	8am - 10am BMED11-203: Cell Biology Laboratory	8am - 10am BMED11-203: Cell Biology Lecture	12pm - 2pm CORE11-113: Scientific Thinking and Research Skills Lecture	
12pm - 2pm BMED11-202: Human Biology Lecture	2pm - 5pm BMED11-202: Human Biology Laboratory	2pm - 3pm BMED11-202: Human Biology Tutorial	2pm - 4pm CORE11-113: Scientific Thinking and Research Skills Tutorial	

Subjects will vary each semester and some may require you to have completed prerequisites at your home institution. Please search under the relevant faculty at the below link for the subjects available:  
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# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BOND UNIVERSITY STUDY ABROAD STUDENT

Thomas Ruthemeyer - UNIVERSITY OF BONN, GERMANY



- 8.30am Wake up to the sun shining on another perfect day in the Gold Coast.
- 9.00am Head off with some friends to Broadbeach to enjoy the beach.
- 10.30am Group meeting in Bond's Belnaves Foundation Multimedia Learning Centre with fellow students from all over the world to prepare for mooting in Corporations Law.
- 11.30am Gain practical legal experience by visiting a trial in the Magistrate's Court of Southport. Our Professor even accompanies us to explain the proceedings in detail.
- 1.00pm Grab some sushi in one of the many restaurants at Market Square with a view of Varsity Lake.
- 2.00pm Tutorial in Corporations Law. In a small class of only twelve students we discuss the relevant issues which have been addressed before in the lecture.
- 3.00pm Exert some energy in Bond's fitness centre by playing squash.
- 4.00pm Learn details about Australian Common Law in the lecture for Australian Legal System.
- 6.00pm Make last preparations for a three day trip to Fraser Island, Queensland.

## FACULTY OF LAW

Recognised as one of Australia's top-ranked law schools\*, Bond Law has earned a reputation for its innovative teaching methods, internationally-focused skills training and the outstanding success of its graduates.

A sample of courses from the Faculty of Law includes:

- Australian Legal System
- Business Law
- Contemporary Issues in Law and Society
- Australian Government and Politics
- Criminal Law and Procedure A
- Electronic Banking Law
- Principles of Contractual Liability
- Principles of Tortious Liability

During your Study Abroad semester, you need to be a full-time student to meet your student visa requirements. Many students take four subjects per semester, however the minimum requirement is three subjects. The amount of time spent in class varies, averaging between three or four hours per subject - a total of 12 to 16 hours per week.

Additional personal study time required will vary per subject and Faculty. However, as a guide, students should complete approximately four hours of their own personal study per subject, per week.

\*Graduate Careers Australia's 2008 Australian Graduate survey based on 2007 graduates.

Example timetable of a Law study abroad student:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10am - 11am LAWS10-100: Business Law Lecture 1	3pm - 5pm CORE11-121: Contemporary Issues in Law and Society Lecture	9am - 11am AUST11-102: Australian Government and Politics Seminar		
11am - 12pm LAWS10-100: Business Law Lecture 2	5pm - 6pm CORE11-121: Contemporary Issues in Law and Society Tutorial	11am - 12pm LAWS10-100: Business Law Tutorial	11am - 12pm AUST11-102: Australian Government and Politics Tutorial	

Subjects will vary each semester and some may require you to have completed prerequisites at your home institution. Please search under the relevant faculty at the below link for the subjects available:

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## SUMMER PROGRAMS: THE AUSTRALIAN EXPERIENCE

Imagine being able to travel and see the world as part of your university studies. Bond University's Australian Experience study programs introduce students to the ecology, people, history and culture of this diverse and fascinating country. Presented as a combination of classroom and fieldwork, our four-week and six-week study programs are designed especially for overseas students to give in-depth theoretical understanding of the Australian way of life.

### FOUR-WEEK PROGRAM: AN ECO TOURISM STUDY PROGRAM

**Tour dates:** July 17 to August 13, 2011

The four-week program (July-August) looks more closely at the flora and fauna and special ecological issues presented by the coastal, marine and rainforest parks of eastern Queensland, concentrating on World Heritage-listed Fraser Island and the tropical forests and coastline including a trip to Hervey Bay. This group will spend several days on one of the islands off the Great Barrier Reef, exploring the unique ecological wonders of the coral reefs and cays.

Programs are scheduled to suit the northern hemisphere summer break. Students may take either or both programs, enabling them to add one, two or three subject credits to their degree without having to take time out of regular studies at home. During the last week of the program students will have the opportunity to explore the Gold Coast and local areas, while completing their short reports and assessment required for the subjects in which they are enrolled. Some of the world's best beaches and famous tourist attractions are close to Bond University. We will take at least one full day's excursion to the beautiful rainforest areas in the ranges just to the west of the Gold Coast, and have a special farewell dinner nearby before students leave for home.

### SUBJECT

- Australian Environmental Issues

### STUDY CREDITS

This program offers one subject of at least 40 hours of formal lectures which will be held in both the classroom and in the field. One subject at Bond University is 25% of a full-time load, and is equivalent to 3-4 credit points in the USA or 7.5 in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

### SIX-WEEK PROGRAM: AN ECOLOGICAL AND AUSTRALIAN HISTORY STUDY PROGRAM

**Tour dates:** June 5 to July 16, 2011

The six-week program explores the variety of this vast and unique country. Students will travel to tropical Darwin and the red centre of the Northern Territory; to Canberra, the national capital; to Sydney, home of the world famous Opera House and Harbour Bridge; and on excursions to the spectacular Queensland coast.

The last week of the program offers students the opportunity to explore the Gold Coast and local areas, while they complete short reports and assessment required for the subjects in which they are enrolled. We will take at least one full day's excursion to the beautiful rainforest areas in the ranges just to the west of the Gold Coast, and have a special farewell dinner nearby before students leave for home.

### SUBJECTS

- Australian Geography and Ecology: An Introduction
- Australian History and Culture

### STUDY CREDITS

This program will comprise two Bond University subjects, each subject requiring at least 40 hours of formal lectures which will be held in both the classroom and in the field. Two subjects at Bond University is 50% of a full-time load, and is equivalent to 6-8 credit points in the USA or 15 in the European Credit Transfer Systems (ECTS).





## UNIVERSITY LIFE

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With so many students residing on campus, Bond has a real community feel and a vibrant student social life. From sporting, social and special interest clubs, the many cafes and a full calendar of events and gatherings, there's so much to enjoy. Students can sign up to over 70 student clubs at Club Sign On Day, held the first Friday of each semester.

There are also plenty of accommodation options to choose from with something to suit almost everyone's preferences, whether you wish to live on campus or near the beach.



## STUDENT EVENTS

Regular activities held for students throughout the semester include:

- Wednesday by the Water lunchtime barbeques
- Thursday Nights at Don's with live bands
- Annual Bond University Sports Awards Dinner
- Northern Conference Intersvarsity Games
- End of Semester Bash

## RECREATION PROGRAMS

Bond University has a series of social, leisure and recreational trips and activities for you on and off campus. Student Flights have put together Bond Breaks which consists of thirteen trips that take you across some of this country's most breathtaking and spectacular views and adventures.

In addition to Bond Breaks there are a variety of Day Activities for you to choose from such as sky diving, Dreamworld, Australia Zoo, whale watching, winery tours, wild life tours, national parks and many more.

## SPORTING CLUBS AND EVENTS

The Bond University Student Association hosts numerous events throughout the year for the sports fanatic, including the Business vs Law Rugby Union Match, Bond Masters Golf, Oz vs World Cricket Challenge and the Bond University Race Day. The sporting clubs operating on campus include:

- Aikido
- Australian rules football
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Capoeira
- Cricket
- Dance
- Dragon boating
- Golf
- Hockey
- Indoor soccer
- Karate
- Touch football - mixed teams
- Netball
- Rock climbing

- Rugby union
- Running
- Salsa dancing
- Scuba diving
- Soccer
- Squash
- Surfing
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Track and field
- Ultimate frisbee
- Volleyball
- Water polo

## SPECIAL INTEREST CLUBS AND SOCIETIES OPERATING ON CAMPUS

Membership to our award winning on-campus Sports Centre is available to students at a discounted rate and provides access to:

- Journalism Students' Association
- Anime Club
- Asian Law Students Society
- Australian Cultural Education Society (ACES)
- Bond Appetite
- Bond Children's Holiday Camp
- Bond Christian Connection
- Bond Information Technology Students (BITS)
- Bond International Relations Organisation
- Bond Marketing Group (BMG)
- Bond Moments (Photography Club)
- Bond Russian Club
- Bond University Debating Association
- Bond University Drama Society
- Bond University Exploration Society
- Bond University Filipino Students
- Bond University Gay Straight Alliance
- Bond University Liberal Society
- Bond University Music Society
- Bond University Poker Association (BUPA)
- BUSHFIRE
- Canadian Law Students' Association
- Cathedral
- Chinese Students' Association
- Film and Television Students' Association

## Anne-Laure Meynier

ESCP-EAP European Business School, France

“ It was my last semester of higher education and as I had the opportunity to study abroad I wanted to go somewhere unforgettable. I chose Australia because I knew it would be four months in paradise and that I could really enjoy travelling around Australia during breaks.

I chose Bond for three main reasons. First the location and weather are very favourable. It is amazing being able to go surfing on days off! I also chose Bond for the broad choice of subjects offered. Also, Bond University is a great place to meet students from all over the world. The various numbers of events such as sporting events and parties are incredible opportunities to socialise and network. ”



- German Speaking Students Association
- Global Health Group (MAD)
- Higher Degree Research (HDR) Academic club
- Indian Cultural Society
- Korean Student Association
- Latin Society
- Malaysian Students' Association
- Medical Students Society Bond University (MSSBU)
- Muslim Students' Association
- Oaktree Foundation
- One Generation
- Peace and Freedom Student Movement
- Postgraduate Students Association
- Rotaract
- Saudi Club
- Sustainable Development Students' Association (SDSA)
- Thai Students' Association
- Turbo Youth Group
- United Nations Club (BUUNSA)
- Wine Appreciation Society

### SPORTING FACILITIES

- 50 metre Olympic swimming pool
- Beach volleyball court
- Boxing circuit training room
- Golf and cricket practice nets
- Rugby and soccer fields
- Sauna and spa
- Spinning studio
- Sports hall
- Squash courts
- Tennis courts
- Weights room

### ON-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

Living on campus adds a whole new dimension to your university experience as you socialise with fellow students from all over the world. Bond offers a variety of accommodation options, all within easy walking distance of lecture theatres, restaurants and on-campus facilities.

In addition to the one-on-one academic and personal support available from the live-in team of Resident Fellows, resident students enjoy a great social life as they mix with classmates at meal times and in study sessions. And there's always someone around to talk to in the shared common areas.

Resident students also get to take part the weekly 'Res Wars' where teams from each residential complex compete in a variety of sporting activities and other traditional university events.

On-campus accommodation options include:

#### SINGLE ROOM PRIVATE ENSUITE

Air-conditioned single rooms with private ensuite facilities.

#### SINGLE ROOM FLAT

Single room in a residence flat comprising two or three bedrooms with shared bathroom and limited cooking facilities. All flats are air conditioned.

#### SINGLE ROOM - SHARED FACILITIES

Air conditioned single room with shared bathroom facilities.

#### TWIN SHARE ROOM - STANDARD

Air conditioned twin room with two single beds and a shared ensuite.

#### TWIN SHARE ROOM - PREMIUM

Larger interconnecting shared room with two single beds and a shared ensuite. All shared rooms are air-conditioned.





## APPLYING FOR ON-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation on campus is in high demand so it is best to apply as soon as applications open. All rooms can be viewed and applied for online.

To assist the transition of new students, accommodation/meal packages are compulsory for all on-campus students. Flexible dining plans are available allowing students to purchase on-campus meal options. Dining plans start at AUD\$1,680 and can be used at various Bond University dining outlets on campus.

Students are required to vacate rooms over the Christmas period. If you choose to stay in University accommodation during vacation periods, you will be charged a weekly rate (please refer to the website for accommodation costs).

For more details about Bond University on-campus accommodation, please visit our website at: [www.myroom.bond.edu.au](http://www.myroom.bond.edu.au) or direct your query to the Student Accommodation Office via email [student\\_residences@staff.bond.edu.au](mailto:student_residences@staff.bond.edu.au).

## OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

There is a wide range of rental accommodation available near the University if you would rather live off campus. The options include houses or apartments on a single or shared basis, with rentals varying from AUD\$150 to AUD\$500 per week, depending on size, location and the number of bedrooms. You can expect to pay between AUD\$60 and AUD\$200 per week for a room in a shared house or apartment. It is also recommended to budget for a security deposit (bond), food, electricity, telephone and cleaning.

Varsity Lakes and Robina are the closest suburbs to the University. There are also plenty of other areas linked to the campus by public transport. If students wish to be close to the beach, Burleigh, Miami, Nobby Beach, Mermaid Beach or Broadbeach are all great destinations to consider.

The following websites provide you with comprehensive information on accommodation:

[www.bond.edu.au/accommodation](http://www.bond.edu.au/accommodation)  
[www.accommodationpeople.com.au](http://www.accommodationpeople.com.au)  
[www.realestate.com.au](http://www.realestate.com.au)

## LIVING EXPENSES

We recommend that you allow at least AUD\$5,000 per semester for living costs. This may vary depending on your budget for rent, food, travel, clothing, recreation, books, telephone and other living expenses. The Gold Coast's lower cost of living represents substantial savings when compared to Melbourne and Sydney.

## ARRIVING AT BOND UNIVERSITY

The University is within a 20 minute drive of the Coolangatta (Gold Coast) Airport and just over one hour from Brisbane International Airport. Bond University can arrange for students to be met at either airport and be transported to their accommodation. For more information and to book airport transfers please visit [www.myroom.bond.edu.au](http://www.myroom.bond.edu.au).

## GETTING AROUND

A rail service operates between Robina and Brisbane. Regular bus services operate from the University to the main shopping, residential and tourist areas on the Gold Coast and Brisbane. In addition, there are a number of shops, cafes, restaurants and facilities within walking distance of the campus at Varsity Lakes.

Trains: [www.qr.com.au](http://www.qr.com.au)

Bus service information: [www.translink.com.au/buses](http://www.translink.com.au/buses)

Public service bus: [www.surfside.com.au](http://www.surfside.com.au)

Taxi service: [www.regenttaxi.com.au](http://www.regenttaxi.com.au)

General public transport with maps:

[www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au)





## STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

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Studying overseas is an experience of a lifetime, but it can also prove challenging without your normal support systems in place. At Bond we make every attempt to ensure our study abroad students feel supported during their time here.

There is a dedicated Study Abroad Team, International Student Team and Student Council member for our study abroad students. Underlying this support network is also a range of educational, welfare, lifestyle and recreational services available and we greatly encourage our students to take advantage of these support systems.

## Mary-Jane Sanservere

College of Saint Rose, New York, USA

“ I decided a long time ago that I would like to study abroad in Australia and choosing to study at Bond University was the best choice I have ever made. From the minute I arrived, the school was nurturing but also challenging. I was able to experience things that I could never have dreamed of and met people from all over the world who had come “down under” to enjoy the adventure.

Studying abroad at Bond University changed me for the better. It opened my eyes up to a world that I had never seen before. My time at Bond made me so much more independent and strong-willed than I ever thought I could be. I left Australia with a stronger sense of who I am and what kind of person I want to be. It was an exciting academic and personal learning experience and one that I will never forget.”



### INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT TEAMS

As a study abroad student at Bond, you will be part of a very special community. The Study Abroad Team works to ensure that your time here is as enriching, enjoyable and as stress free as possible. They will be your first point of contact for information and advice. If you have any questions before you arrive, just email and ask [studyabroad@bond.edu.au](mailto:studyabroad@bond.edu.au).

At Bond, there is an International Student Contact Officer whose role is to assist students with general enquiries, producing ID cards and processing forms and requests (e.g. transcripts) for international students.

Each faculty in the University has Academic Advisors who monitors the progress of each individual student and who can help international students enrol in subjects, change courses and offer program advice. This is part of Bond's dedication to personalised service, which means that each student has a point of contact for all academic issues and enquiries. For more information visit [www.bond.edu.au/sls](http://www.bond.edu.au/sls).

Our Campus Life Coordinator organises social, leisure, and recreational trips and activities for students on and off campus. This service assists international students in making friends and becoming more familiar with the Gold Coast and its surrounds.

### SETTLING IN

A range of orientation activities are provided to help you settle in to university life and meet other students. Our Orientation Week also includes day visits to surrounding areas and city tours, as well as other welcoming activities arranged by Bond University and the Bond University Student Association (BUSA). BUSA will also provide a Welcome Pack on your arrival, containing information about their services and local businesses that participate in university discount schemes. For more information visit [www.bond.edu.au/oweeek](http://www.bond.edu.au/oweeek).

### STUDENT LEARNING SUPPORT

Student Learning Support provides assistance to students who need help improving their academic skills as well as their English language ability. The friendly staff can help you understand what to write, how to structure your essay, and offer guidance on grammar, punctuation, sentence structure and referencing. The team can suggest additional activities or provide specific help with your assignments and presentations.

### COUNSELLING AND HEALTH SERVICES

Our on-campus clinic is staffed by a doctor and nurse who offer accessible and confidential health services. Counsellors are also available through Student Services for any problems relating to study, personal or financial issues.

### SECURITY

The Bond University campus is patrolled 24 hours a day, seven days a week by our on-staff security officers. Our security officers are available to walk students to their on-campus accommodation or car after dark. The campus is also monitored by video surveillance.

### CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Bond's Career Development Centre is available to assist students with part-time positions and tips on promoting their study abroad experience to future employers. The Online Careers and Employment Portal (CareerHub) provides a diverse range of careers and employment resources and information, including job advertisements, company profiles, events, news, industry and degree specific information sheets. For more information visit [www.bond.edu.au/career-development](http://www.bond.edu.au/career-development).

### INTERNSHIPS

There are numerous internship opportunities available for students at Bond University. Through these internships, students can get a feel for working in a post-college employment situation while still completing their studies. Internships either transfer as credits to each student's home university or as basic internship experience.

A large, iconic red rock formation, Uluru, stands prominently in the background under a clear blue sky. The foreground is filled with dry, golden-brown grasses, typical of the Australian outback.

## AUSTRALIA: AN OVERVIEW

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Australia is one of the most culturally diverse countries in the world. In our cosmopolitan cities, you'll enjoy a clean, safe environment where people go out of their way to extend a warm, friendly welcome.

Located in Queensland, Bond University is perfectly situated 45 minutes south of Brisbane and closer than Sydney or Melbourne to Australia's natural wonders like the Great Barrier Reef, Fraser Island and Uluru (Ayers Rock).

As part of Bond's Recreational Program, we have put together 'Bond Breaks' which gives students the opportunity to holiday and explore some of Australia's most spectacular landscapes.



## **GEOGRAPHY AND POPULATION**

With a coastline stretching almost 50,000 kms, Australia has more beaches than any other country in the world. Over 85% of the population lives within 50 kms of the coast, with the major population centres concentrated along the eastern seaboard from Cairns in the far north down to Melbourne.

Away from the coast, the landscape varies from lush tropical rainforests and the snow-capped peaks of the Victorian and New South Wales ski-fields; and from expansive broadacre farms to the vast deserts of the outback.

## **LIFESTYLE**

Australians are unashamedly sports mad and compete successfully on the international stage in events such as swimming, cricket, tennis, surfing, rugby union, rugby league, athletics, motor racing, team sports and much more.

In most areas, the temperate climate encourages an active and healthy outdoor lifestyle centred on weekends at the beach, backyard barbecues, picnics, bushwalking, camping and dining out.

There is almost equal passion for the arts and entertainment, as evidenced by the Australian actors, writers and musicians who have starred on the world stage; and most capital cities and regional centres offer a regular program of live concerts, theatre, movies and art exhibitions.

## **THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT**

Over the millennia, Australia's distance and isolation from the rest of the world has resulted in a rich biodiversity of plants and wildlife unique to this island continent. In country areas, kangaroos and wallabies are regularly sighted roaming free, although you'll have to search a bit harder to spot species like the cuddly koala and the duck-billed platypus.

Birdlife is even more prolific with colourful cockatoos, galahs, lorikeets and parrots quite at home in city backyards, while the oceans are home to dolphins, migrating whales, sea turtles, dugongs and a staggering variety of deep-sea and tropical fish species.

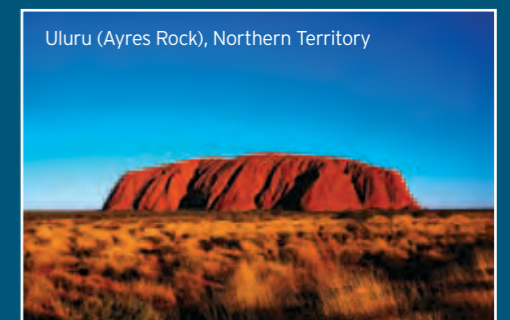
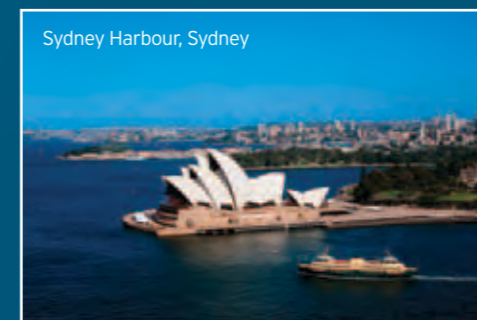
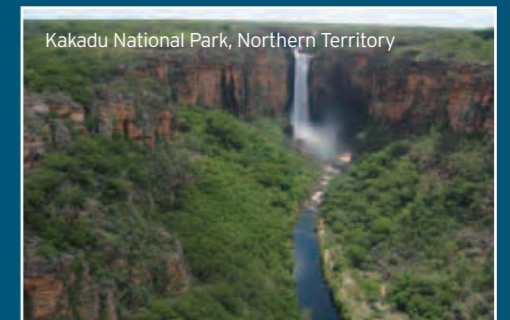
As a nation, Australians have a strong commitment to preserving and enjoying the natural environment, with more than 17 unique locations gaining World Heritage status and over 24 million hectares protected within 516 National Parks.

# Australian Destinations

Australia is one of the most culturally diverse countries in the world. Throughout your journey to this magnificent island we call home, make sure you take time out to visit some of the world's natural wonders.



## Australian Attractions





## LIVING THE LIFE

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The Gold Coast is located on Australia's east coast, 80 kilometres south of Brisbane on the Queensland/New South Wales border.

Living here, you'll enjoy the best of both worlds: all the modern conveniences, entertainment and excitement of city life, mixed with the leisure lifestyle of an internationally-renowned beach resort destination.

A strong youth culture prevails where you'll meet fellow students from all over Australia and all over the world. Together, you can discover the great nightlife, beaches, waterfront pubs and eateries, theme parks, national parks and more.

When it comes to getting down to business, you'll find the Gold Coast's diverse range of industry sectors and major global corporations offer a wealth of opportunities for study-relevant workplace experience, enhanced by Bond's established networks with local corporate partners.



## WHAT TO DO ON THE WEEKENDS

### HIT THE BEACH

With 21 beaches stretching along 35kms of coastline, surfing is one of the most popular recreational sport on the Gold Coast. If you're not an avid surfer already, this is your chance to learn and there are surfing schools at almost every beach where the experts can give you a few tips. Alternatively, you can use the beaches for swimming in safe, patrolled areas, wakeboarding, kite surfing, body boarding, kayaking, beach fishing, beach volleyball and regular morning or afternoon walks.

### HEAD FOR THE HILLS

The Gold Coast Hinterland boasts some of the best bushwalking in Australia, with hundreds of kilometres of well-marked trails networked through the World Heritage rainforests of Springbrook, Lamington and Mt Tamborine National Parks. Further afield you can get a serious workout climbing Mt Warning, Mt Flinders, Mt Barney, Mt Maroon and more. There are numerous hiking clubs in the region that organise regular excursions for little or no cost, making it easy to explore and meet new people at the same time.

### ENJOY THE CAFÉ CULTURE SCENE

Australians love their coffee! Every day of the week, the Gold Coast's cafes attract crowds of locals and holidaymakers, enjoying a coffee or breakfast at an al fresco café near the beach and in small neighbourhood centres like Varsity Lakes, right next door to the Bond campus.

You'll also find plenty of dining options from the eat streets of Main Beach or Broadbeach through to the beachfront surf clubs.

### SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP

Two of the largest shopping centres in the southern hemisphere - Pacific Fair and Robina - are within 15 minutes of the Bond campus and easily accessible via public transport. Here you'll find all the major department stores and chain stores, as well as boutiques,

supermarkets and specialty retailers. And for designer label fashions, try Circle on Cavill in Surfers Paradise or Marina Mirage at Main Beach.

### GO WILD AT A THEME PARK

The Gold Coast is the theme park capital of Australia. Try the thrill rides at Dreamworld, Sea World and Movie World. Make a splash at Whitewater World or Wet'n'Wild. Challenge yourself on the flying foxes and ropes courses at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary's Green Challenge. You can even bungee jump in the middle of Surfers Paradise! And there are plenty of other adventure activities to try - from skydiving and paragliding through to hot-air ballooning, abseiling and rock climbing.

### TAKE OFF FOR THE WEEKEND

You'll want to get away for at least one weekend and there are plenty of great destinations offering good quality, affordable overnight accommodation within one-to-three hours' drive of the Gold Coast: Byron Bay, the Sunshine Coast, the Northern Rivers, Stanthorpe's wine country, Stradbroke Island ... the list goes on.

### BRISBANE CITY

Brisbane is Queensland's state capital and is located 45 minutes drive from the Gold Coast. The city of Brisbane boasts impressive facilities to host a variety of cultural events. The huge Parklands complex adjoins the Queensland Cultural Centre which houses one of Australia's finest art galleries, the State Library, the amazing Queensland Museum, and the Queensland Performing Arts Complex.

Brisbane's restaurant and cafe scene has blossomed in recent years and you'll find there's no shortage of superb coffee shops and eating places throughout the CBD and suburbs. Many of these places have taken full advantage of the pleasant climate and provide many outdoor eating areas. Away from the city centre, there are clusters of restaurants in Paddington, Fortitude Valley, New Farm, South Bank and West End.

## HOW TO APPLY

- Step 1: Gain approval from your home institution.** Particularly if you will be applying for credit.
- Step 2:** If you require some local assistance with completing and processing this application, you may seek help from one of the in-country agencies. Please go to [www.bond.edu.au/study-abroad](http://www.bond.edu.au/study-abroad) to find your nearest contact.
- Step 3: Submit your application.** Applications must be received six weeks prior to the start of the relevant semester. We encourage you to submit three to four months prior. Make sure you include the following with your application:
- Application form
  - Original academic transcript
  - Academic references
  - Proof of English skills (if required)
  - List of six to eight subjects approved by your Academic Advisor
- Step 4: Proof of English skills (if required).** Ensure you satisfy the IELTS requirements. Study Abroad students must have an IELTS score of 6.5 with no band less than 6, or a TOEFL of 570 (TWE 5 - CBT 230)
- Step 5: Receive your offer.** You will receive an offer via email within ten working days. Successful applications will receive:
- Official letter of offer
  - Response to Offer form
  - Payment of Fees form
  - Information booklet
- Step 6: Sign your Response to Offer form.** Then fax it back to Bond University on +61 5595 4062.
- Step 7: Complete the Payment of Fees form** with your deposit details.
- Step 8: Confirm your student visa.** Once Bond University has received your fees you will receive a Confirmation of Enrolment (COE) form. You can now apply online for your non-award student visa at [www.immi.gov.au](http://www.immi.gov.au).
- Step 9: Organise your accommodation.** You will be notified approximately nine weeks prior to Orientation when rooms will be available to apply for online. Go to [www.bond.edu.au/accommodation](http://www.bond.edu.au/accommodation) for more information.
- Step 10: Enrol in your classes before departure.** You will receive a Pre-Departure Booklet with information about enrolment and orientation approximately four weeks prior to Orientation Week.



## ACADEMIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Study abroad students will generally have completed their first year at their home institution.

Students applying to Bond are required to have a minimum GPA of 2.5 in the American grading system or equivalent. Please check with your individual Study Abroad department to make sure you meet all other requirements.

## BOND UNIVERSITY GRADING SCALE

Bond University's grading system works on a four-point scale as follows:

Grade	Description	% Mark Range	USA Equivalent	ECTS Equivalent
4	High Distinction	85 - 100	A+	1.00-1.50
3	Distinction	75 - 84	A	1.51-2.50
2	Credit	65 - 74	B	2.51-3.50
1	Pass	50 - 64	C	3.51-4.00
0	Fail	< 50	F	>4

Under the Bond system, a standard subject is worth 10 credit points. This generally equates to 3 or 4 credits in the USA system or 7.5 in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

This information should only be used as a guide. Each home institution has the right to translate credits as they deem appropriate so it is important to speak to them before you leave and confirm how many credits you will receive for your studies here. If your country grading system is not included in the table above, please contact our Study Abroad Office for more information.

**SURFERS PARADISE**

**BROADBEACH**

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