RMIT University

Facts For Exchange

RMIT is a global university of technology and design with three campuses in one of the most liveable cities.

Melbourne is characterised by its maze of hidden laneways and eclectic eateries, art and fashion. There’s simply no better place to combine a world-class study experience with the laid-back café culture this city has to offer.

Life at RMIT is filled with on and off campus events, over 100 clubs, student run media, sport competitions and more. You will be offered a range of support services and orientation activities to help you transition into one of the best personal and academic experiences available.

What is Student Exchange?
Exchange students are officially nominated by their home institution to study for one to two semesters at RMIT University under a reciprocal student exchange agreement.

Eligibility Criteria
- Completed at least one full year of studies at home institution
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 or 60% or equivalent
- Met RMIT’s English language requirements
- Be 18 years of age or over (at the time of application)

Visit the website for full details.
www.rmit.edu.au/globalpassport/incomingexchange

Application Deadlines

Semester 1 (February):
- 30 October
- 30 September (architecture courses only)

Semester 2 (July):
- 30 April
- 30 March (architecture courses only)

Important:
Courses offered in architecture are highly competitive and have limited places available each semester. The application deadlines for these courses are earlier than general applications and must be received by Education Abroad Office by the dates listed above.

How to Apply
Application information and forms can be found at www.rmit.edu.au/globalpassport/incomingexchange#howtoapply.

Completed application form should be sent to EAO.

Academic Semester Dates

Undergraduate and postgraduate
- Semester 1 2014: 3 March – 27 June
- Semester 2 2014: 21 July – 14 November

Diploma
- Semester 1 2014: 10 February – 20 June
- Semester 2 2014: 7 July – 14 November

Orientation

Exchange and Study Abroad students must attend the compulsory Education Abroad Orientation.

Semester 1 2014
- Tuesday 18 to Thursday 20 February 2014
  (Students should arrive by 17 February 2014)

Semester 2 2014
- Tuesday 15 to Thursday 17 July 2014
  (Students should arrive by 14 July 2014)
**Selecting Courses**

You can design your own program by selecting courses from any of RMIT’s disciplines as long as you have the necessary prerequisites. RMIT offers diplomas, undergraduate and postgraduate degrees. Associate Diploma programs are best suited to students from community colleges, vocational or technical institutions.

**Undergraduate and postgraduate courses**

The usual full-time load per semester for a degree program is 36 to 48 credit points (equivalent to three or four courses). Students must undertake a minimum of 36 credit points and not exceed 48 credit points (equivalent to 30 ECTS or 12 North American Credits – check your home institution credit conversion). Dropping below 36 credit points constitutes a breach of your student visa.

**Diploma courses**

Course credits are based on the number of contact hours a student is enrolled in. Usually a minimum of 360 contact hours are required per semester for a full-time loading.

When selecting courses:

- Choose eight courses on the application form in case some are not available
- Ensure the selected courses are available in your preferred semester and campus
- All selected courses must be taught at the same campus (RMIT has three campuses in Melbourne).

A full list of courses available at RMIT can be found at [www.rmit.edu.au/students/courses](http://www.rmit.edu.au/students/courses).

**Student Services**

RMIT provides a range of services to students, including housing, gym, legal services, chaplaincy, library, health and wellbeing services, and many more designed to make your time as valuable and exciting as possible.

For detailed information refer to [www.rmit.edu.au/students](http://www.rmit.edu.au/students).

**How Much Does it Cost?**

**Tuition fees**

Students enrolled in the Exchange Program do not pay tuition fees to RMIT University but continue to pay fees to their home institution.

**Health insurance**

It is a condition of the Australian Student Visa to have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the duration of the student visa. OSHC can be purchased through RMIT and will cost approximately AUS$249 per semester (2013 rate. Rates for 2014 may increase.)

**Accommodation**

While RMIT does not offer on-campus accommodation, it has an extensive range of recommended off-campus accommodation, including RMIT Village. For information about accommodation fees for exchange and study abroad students visit [www.mitvillage.com.au](http://www.mitvillage.com.au).

The RMIT Housing Advisory Service can assist new students with a range of options. Detailed information can be viewed at [www.rmit.edu.au/housing](http://www.rmit.edu.au/housing). A list of recommended off-campus accommodation can be found at [www.rmit.edu.au/programs/international/livingcosts](http://www.rmit.edu.au/programs/international/livingcosts).

**Contact us**

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