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Study Abroad & Exchange Programs

University of Melbourne

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Study at the
University of
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Facts and Figures



Founded in 1853



**#1 in Australia
#19 in the world**

(QS World University Rankings 2026)



**60,000+ students
43% international**



**#8 in the world
graduate employability**

(QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2022)



**98.7% students
find jobs upon
graduation**



**Melbourne 7 times voted
the most livable city in
the world**

EIU 2023



**9 Nobel Prize
Winners**



**100+ research
centres and
institutes**

What Melbourne is known for? 47 subjects in the top 100 globally

QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025



Accounting & Finance	27	Economics & Econometrics	45	Marketing	31
Agriculture & Forestry	33	Education	16	Material Sciences	68
Anatomy & Physiology	30	Engineering – Chemical	52	Mathematics	54
Anthropology	23	Engineering – Civil	31	Medicine	25
Architecture & Built Environment	24	Engineering – Electrical	63	Modern Languages	33
Archaeology	32	Engineering – Mechanical & Aero	59	Nursing	25
Art & Design	51-100	Engineering – Mining	25	Performing arts	40
Art History	21 - 50	English Lang & Lit	21	Philosophy	51 - 100
Biological Sciences	34	Environmental Science	24	Physics & Astronomy	81
Business & Management	50	Geography	17	Politics	56
Chemistry	57	Geology	34	Psychology	21
Classics & Ancient History	51 - 100	Geophysics	35	Sociology	28
Communication & Media	39	History	40	Social Policy	23
Data Science & AI	33	IT & Computer Science	46	Social Sciences	25
Dentistry	34	Law	13	Sports-related subjects	6
Development Studies	37	Life Sciences	18	Statistics	51 - 100
Earth & Marine Sciences	29	Linguistics	30	Veterinary science	25



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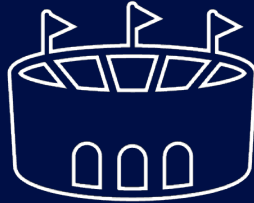
The Parkville campus is
so large, it has its own
postcode!

Parkville Campus

The City of Melbourne



#5 best student cities in the world*



Australia's sporting and cultural capital



More cafes and restaurants per capita than any other city



Easy to get around on trams, trains, and buses



Safe, friendly, and multicultural



Mild, temperate climate

*QS Best Student Cities 2026



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Study at the University of Melbourne

Academic Development

- Access subjects that aren't available at other universities
- Experience a new and flexible academic system

Career

- Build an international professional network
- Gain a competitive edge

Personal Growth

- Build independence and confidence
- Experience the world and gain new perspectives

Fun

- Go on an adventure and have life-changing experiences



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Sustainability

Sustainability Ranking

The University of Melbourne is ranked 9th globally and 1st in Australia for sustainability*.

Study Sustainability

Study subjects that align with the UN's Sustainability Goals, including:

- Past Climates: Icehouse to Greenhouse
- Fire in the Australian Landscape
- Blue Planet – Intro to Marine Biology
- A History of Violence
- Indigenous Australia

*QS World University Rankings 2024



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Inclusivity

Diversity and Inclusion

The University of Melbourne is committed to building a robust culture of diversity and inclusion among staff, students, and the wider community. Together we encourage equity and actively support initiatives and services that promote a safe, respectful, and connected community.

Find out more at

students.unimelb.edu.au/student-support/diversity-and-inclusion



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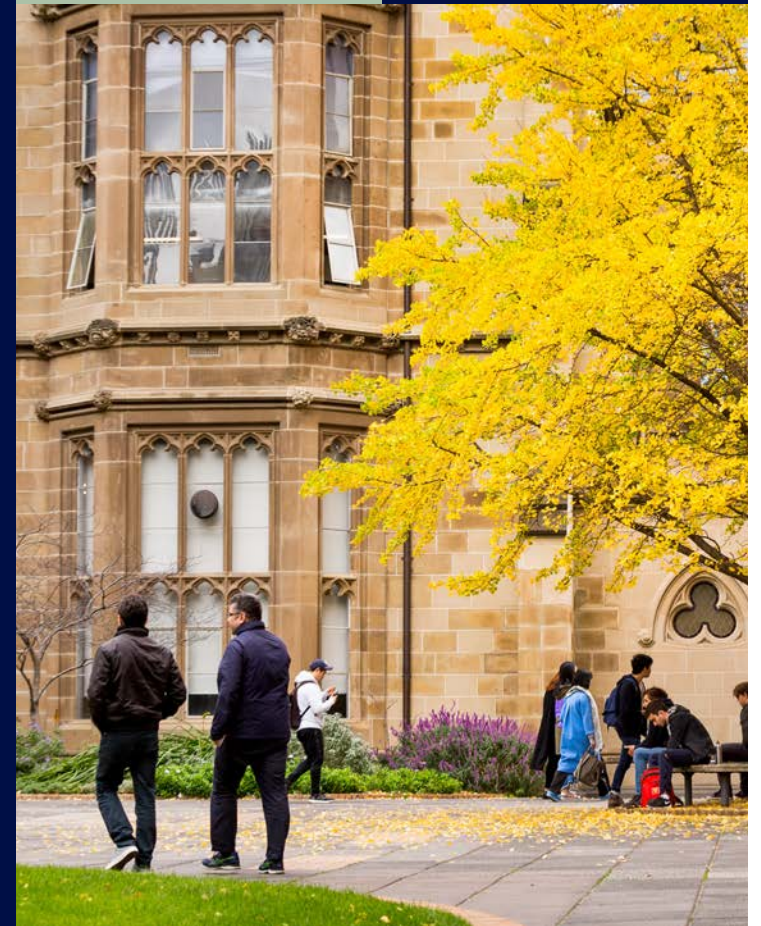
Exchange & Study Abroad

All SAEX Programs

- Two application rounds a year
 - Semester 1 (February – June)
 - Semester 2 (July – November)
- Study for one or two semesters
- Enroll in three or four classes (called subject in Australian English) from any discipline areas
- Undergraduate and graduate programs available
- Live on or off campus



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Study

Popular Subjects

- Beer Styles and Sensory Analysis
- Food for a Healthy Planet
- Going Places – Travelling Smarter
- Managing for Competitive Advantage
- Marketing Communications
- Music Psychology
- Politics and the Media
- The Psychopathology of Everyday Life
- Wellbeing, Motivation and Performance



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Study

Australian Studies

The University of Melbourne offers many Australian-themed subjects, such as:

- Australian Film and Television
- Australian Politics
- Australian Surfing
- Australian Wildlife Biology
- Indigenous Australia
- Melbourne: Urban Anthropology in Action
- Street Art



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Study

Courses

The University of Melbourne is in the top 20 internationally in 14 subject areas* including:

- Accounting and Finance
- Anatomy and Medicine
- Computer Science
- Education
- Law
- Psychology



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*QS University Rankings



Study

Pre-Approved Subjects

Students can now also self-enroll in over 400 undergraduate subjects that **don't have prerequisite requirements**. There are very few class quotas, so students are guaranteed a seat in one of these classes.

- Students can enroll in these subjects once they have accepted their offer to study at Melbourne
- They don't need to list these pre-approved subjects on their application



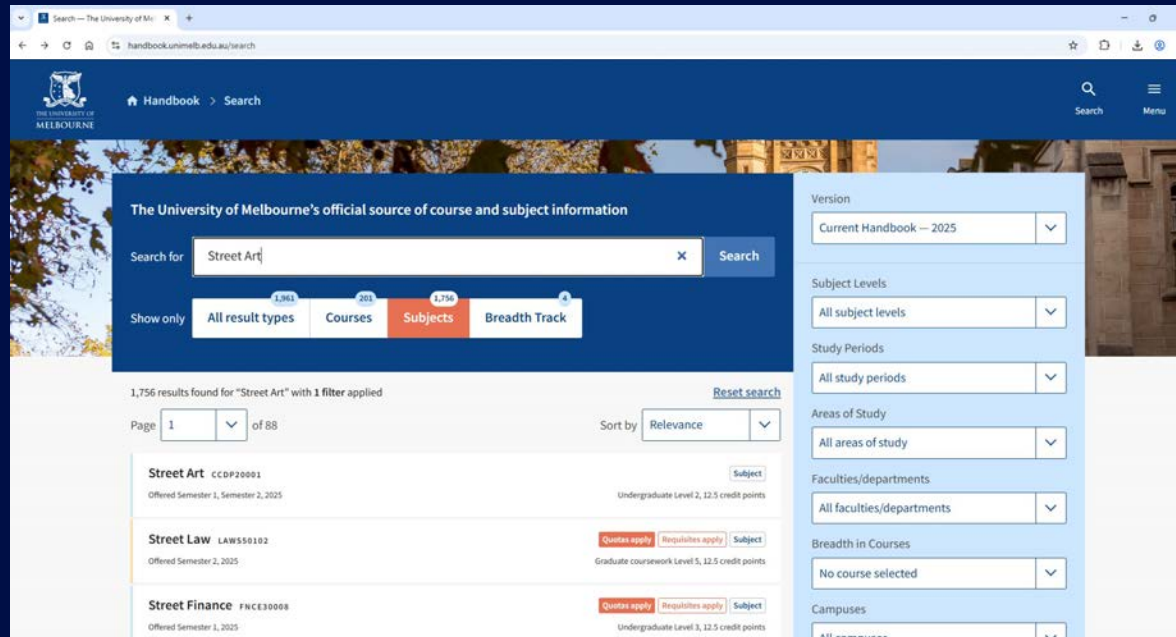
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Subjects

The Subject Handbook

Visit the Subject Handbook to explore the full subject catalogue.

handbook.unimelb.edu.au



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Terminology

Course: the overall degree or program.

Subject: a single unit within a course.

Subjects

Use the filter to explore subjects that are available to SAEX students.



[Hide advanced fields](#)

Requisites

Show all subjects ▼

Quota limits

Show all subjects ▼

Fieldwork/Placement/Workplace

Show all subjects ▼

Overseas Component

Show all subjects ▼

Only show subjects that:

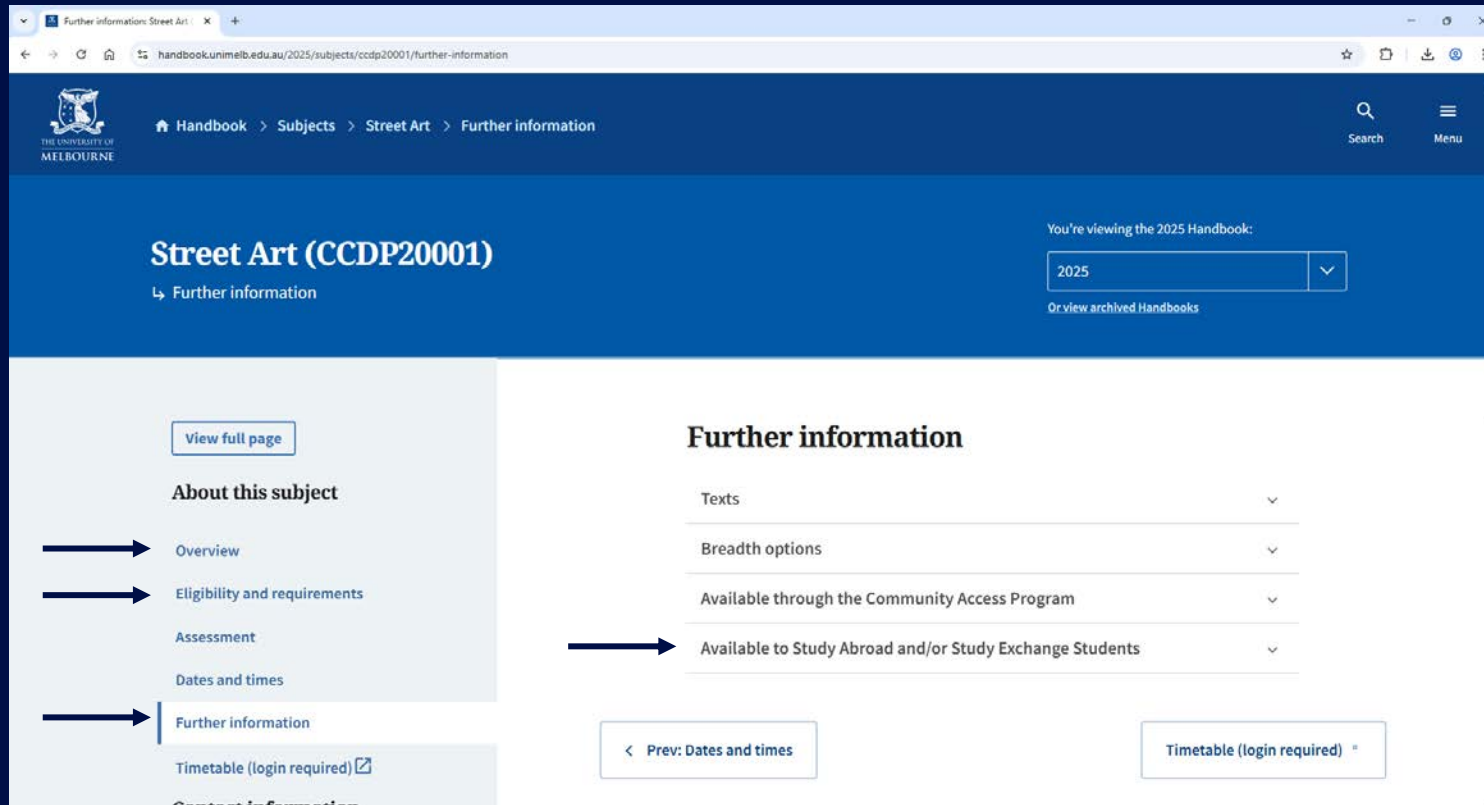
☐ Are available as Community Access Program

☒ Are available to exchange or study abroad students

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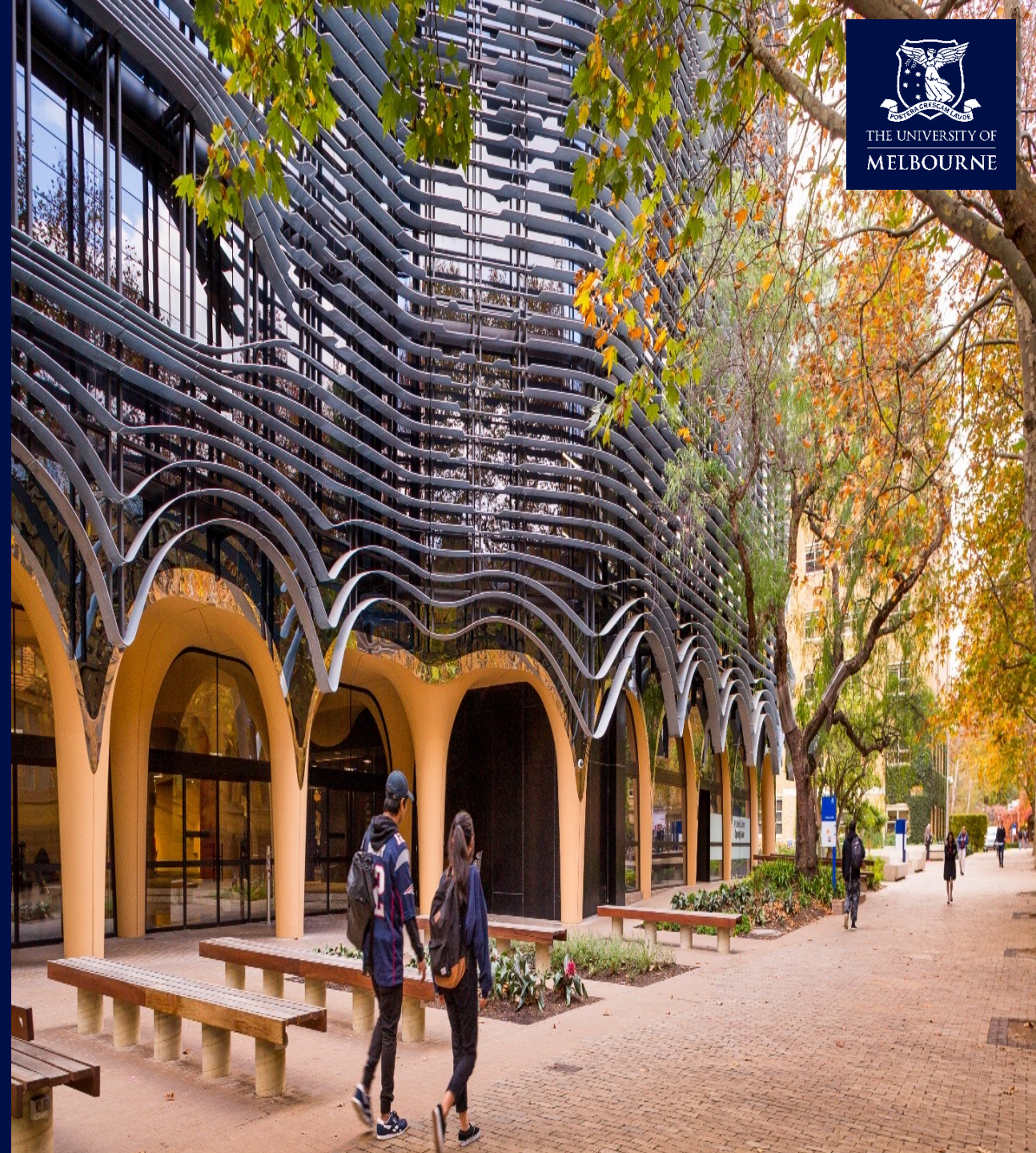
Subjects

Find detailed information in about each subject in the handbook.



The screenshot shows the 'Further information' page for the subject 'Street Art (CCDP20001)'. The page is part of the 2025 Handbook. The left sidebar contains a 'View full page' button and a list of links under 'About this subject': Overview, Eligibility and requirements, Assessment, Dates and times, Further information (highlighted with a blue bar and an arrow), and Timetable (login required). The main content area is titled 'Further information' and contains a list of expandable sections: Texts, Breadth options, Available through the Community Access Program, and Available to Study Abroad and/or Study Exchange Students (highlighted with a blue arrow). At the bottom, there are two buttons: '< Prev: Dates and times' and 'Timetable (login required) *'.

What can I study guide



Clubs & Student Life

Events for SAEX Students

- Welcome Day and Orientation
- Study Abroad and Exchange coffee catch ups throughout semester
- Events and activities to connect with local students who have just returned from studying overseas (or who are just about to go!)



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Clubs & Student Life

Clubs

UniMelb has over 200 student clubs and societies to join including the Melbourne University Student Exchange Society (MUSEX).

Other clubs include:

- Bubble Tea Society
- Creative Literature and Writing Society
- Melbourne Uni Surf Riders
- Model United Nations Society
- Photography Club
- Society for Astronomy at Melbourne University
- Swifties' Society
- Robotics, Engineering & Competition Society



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2026 Semester 1 Coffee Catch-Up
Standing Room Cafe



Coffee Catch-Up



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Sports at UniMelb

Play sports in Australia's sporting capital at Australia's leading university



- Play 40+ sports from intramural fun to varsity level
- Play your sport year-round with a semester of study abroad at Melbourne
- Easy to join a team
- Join a sport just for a semester, even at varsity level
- Join a sport just for a semester, even if it's mid-season
- UniSport Nationals
 - The Olympics of Australian university sports
 - Meet athletes from around Australia in dozens of sports
 - Represent UniMelb
 - Opportunity for Sem 2 (Fall Semester USA) students

Play sports in Australia's sporting capital at Australia's leading university



- Elite Athlete Program (EAP)
 - Customized strength training, conditioning and physiotherapy.
 - EAP staff work with students and their coaches back home to tailor their program to meet their needs.
 - Support for flexible study if playing in any national and international competitions while at UniMelb.
 - All NCAA D1, D2, D3 and NAIA athletes are guaranteed access to the EAP.
 - Do not need to play your sport at UniMelb to access EAP.



Dedicated sports page for study abroad athletes



- Sports guide: which sports offered, level of play, semester(s) played
- NCAA athlete eligibility to play*
- How to join a team and enrol in the Elite Athlete Program
- Student testimonials and overview of sports facilities
- Sports subjects at UniMelb
- Contacts for Melbourne Sport

*D1 athletes can't play abroad; D2 all sports but basketball; D3 all sports

<https://sport.unimelb.edu.au/programs/elite-athlete-program/saex>





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Important
Information

Entry Requirements

- **Grades:** 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Students need to have **completed two semesters of full-time study** before commencing at Melbourne
- Some subjects have **pre-requisites**
- Students need to meet **home institution requirements**
- Learn more about eligibility at go.unimelb.edu.au/gp9r



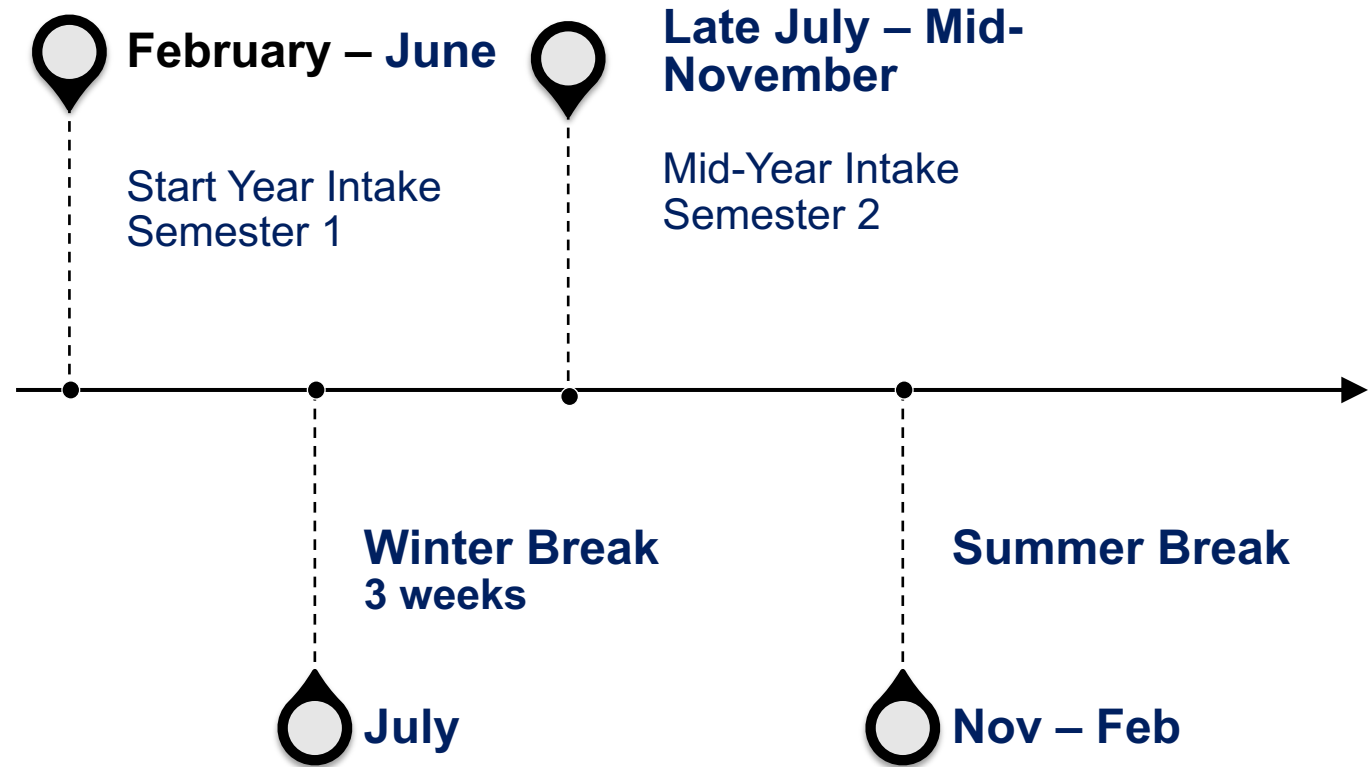
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Academic Calendar



Sem 1: Start late, end late
Sem 2: Start early, end early





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Melbourne Flex Semester

Complete the spring
semester in May!



Melbourne Spring Flex Semester

Whether you're chasing career goals, global experiences, or personal projects, the Melbourne Flex Semester gives you the opportunity to study abroad in Melbourne - without missing out. The Melbourne Flex Semester allows you to select classes with remote final assessments in the spring semester and depart Melbourne before the end of May.

Melbourne Flex Semester classes for Spring 2026:

Subject to changes*

- Science Research Project ([SCIE30001](#))
- Language in Aboriginal Australia ([LING20009](#))
- Making Movies 1 ([FLTV10010](#))
- Sustainable Development ([GEOG30019](#))
- Cities: From Local to Global ([ABPL20035](#))
- Sports Coaching: Theory and Practice ([EDUC10051](#))
- Video Games: Remaking Reality ([CCDP10003](#))
- The Australian Imaginary ([ENGL20009](#))
- Human Rights in Asia and the Middle East ([ASIA20007](#))
- Classical Mythology ([ANCW20015](#))
- Short Fiction ([CWRI20002](#))
- Race, Ethnicity, and Nationalism ([POLS30036](#))
- Clear Speech and Communication ([THTR10019](#))
- Branding ([GDES30002](#))
- Intercultural Communication ([LING10002](#))
- Campaigns and Elections ([POLS30032](#))
- Creative Non Fiction ([CWRI20005](#))
- Gothic Fictions ([ENGL30013](#))
- Self, Culture and Society ([ANTH20012](#))
- The French Revolution ([HIST20068](#))
- Environmental Sociology: Warming Planet ([SOCI20020](#))
- The Philosophy of Mind ([PHIL20033](#))
- Music Psychology ([MUSI20149](#))
- The Business of Music ([MUSI20206](#))
- Creative Writing: Poetry and Fiction ([CWRI10001](#))
- Politics and the Media ([POLS20026](#))
- Marketing Communications ([MECM30013](#))
- Diplomacy: Middle East and South Asia ([ISLM30018](#))
- Popular Culture: From K-pop to Selfies ([CULS20018](#))
- Going Places - Travelling Smarter ([ARTS20002](#))
- International Gender Politics ([POLS30015](#))
- US and the World: Rise of a Superpower ([HIST30065](#))
- Money and Sweat: Economic Anthropology ([ANTH30024](#))
- Visual Communication and Digital Media ([MECM20014](#))
- Consumer Culture, Media and Lifestyle ([CULS20014](#))

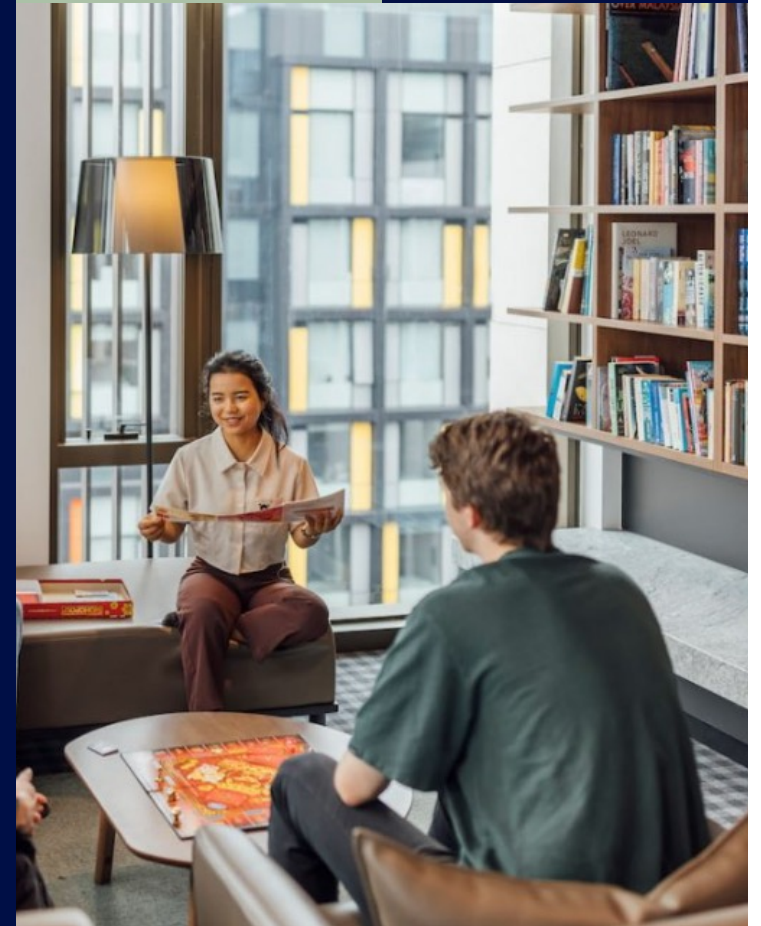
University Accommodation

Residential Colleges

- On-campus options in historical buildings with rich community spirit
- Single furnished rooms with common hangout spaces and bathrooms
- Meals and utilities included in costs



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Study Abroad Program Fees

Study abroad students pay a set tuition fee at the published rate for every semester, which allows them to enroll in three or four subjects.

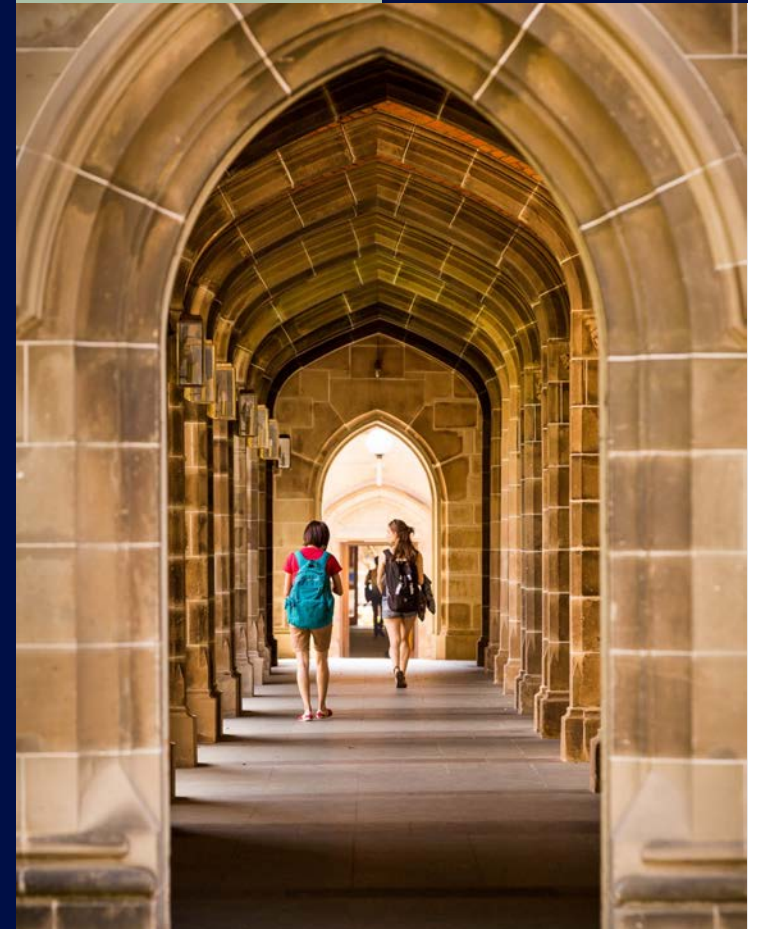
In addition to tuition fees, Study Abroad students are required to pay for:

- OSHC insurance
- Accommodation and living costs
- Visa fees
- Transportation fees

Learn more about fees at go.unimelb.edu.au/d2fr



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Finances

Cost of Living

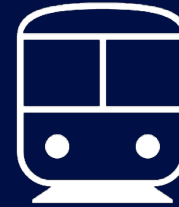
All SAEX students can calculate their budget using the cost-of-living calculator here

costofliving.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au

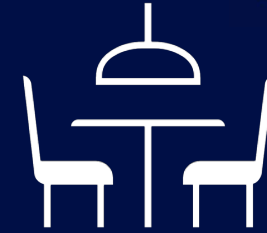
To see your estimate:

1. Select your desired currency and frequency of your expenses from the dropdowns

2. Work through the questions below and press next
 1/8
3. Click on **More info** for further context on each lifestyle option
4. View your results



Phone
\$15-\$30/week



Food and eating out
\$140-\$280/week



Coffee on campus
\$5



Phone bills
\$15-30/week

Academic Calendar



Semester One

Welcome day (compulsory)	Friday 21 February
Orientation	Monday 24 February – Friday 28 February
Teaching period	Monday 3 March – Sunday 1 June
Easter/non-teaching period	Friday 18 April – Sunday 27 April
Examination period	Monday 9 June – Friday 27 June

Semester Two

Welcome day (compulsory)	Friday 18 July
Orientation	Monday 21 July – Friday 25 July
Teaching period	Monday 28 July – Sunday 26 October
Non-teaching period	Monday 29 September – Sunday 5 October
Examination period	Monday 3 November – Friday 21 November

Wellness and support



Thrive in and out of the classroom

- ✓ International student orientation
- ✓ 200 clubs & societies
- ✓ Melbourne Plus volunteering program
- ✓ Health and counselling services
- ✓ Disability and equity support
- ✓ Academic skills workshops
- ✓ LGBTQ+ services and student group
- ✓ Career Services
- ✓ Ask an Alumni mentoring

Student Experience & Support

Stop 1

Stop 1 provides services to help students succeed.

Administration and enrolment:

- Course planning
- Class timetable
- Fees
- Student cards
- Subject enrolment

Health and wellbeing:

- Counselling and Psychological Support
- Student Equity and Disability Support
- Faith and spirituality
- Financial Service
- Health Service
- Housing
- Safety on campus

Skills and opportunities:

- Academic skills
- Careers and employability
- Future study
- Internships and mentoring
- Overseas Study
- Work on campus

Student Experience & Support

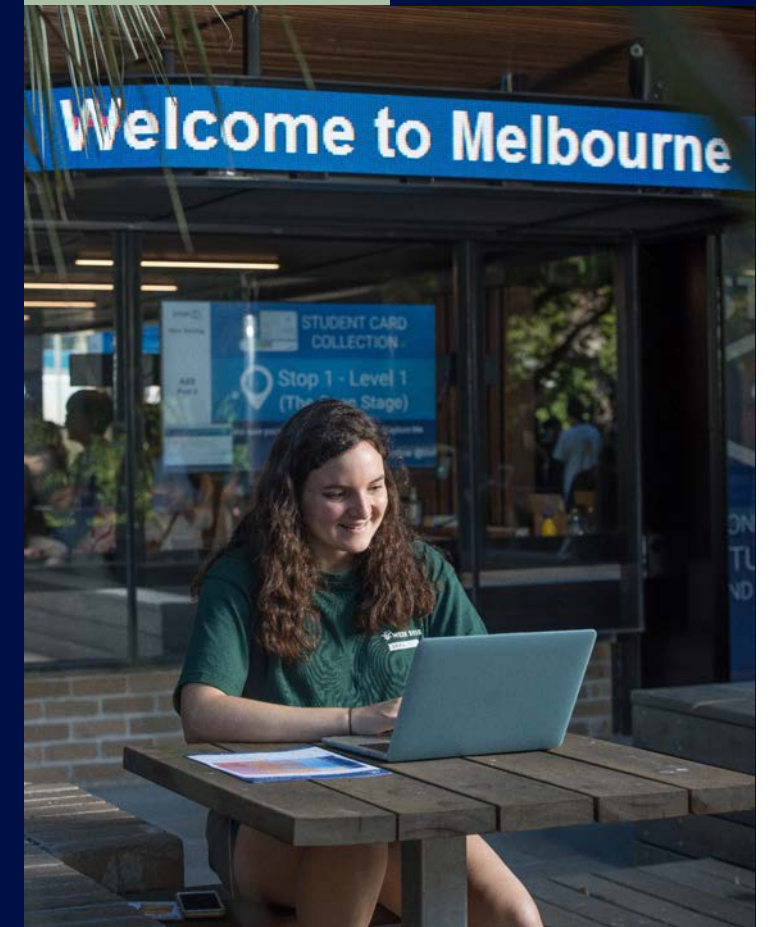
Stop 1

Contact Stop 1 to:

- Speak to a staff member in person, on the phone, virtually, or via chat
- Get your learning agreement signed
- Attend group workshops and sessions
- Attend the Enrolment and Course Planning Help Lab at the start of semester



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Student Experience & Support

The Global Learning Team



Submit an enquiry to the Global Learning Team at
go.unimelb.edu.au/r6fp



Find more information in the Study Abroad and Exchange
brochure at
go.unimelb.edu.au/vm9p



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The City of Melbourne



Population: 5,110,000



Australia's largest city



World's #5 in the best city for students

(QS Best Student Cities 2025)



Multicultural city of culture, music, sports, arts



Trains, trams and buses at your doorstep



**1.5 hours to Sydney and
4 hours to the Great Barrier Reef**



City of Melbourne



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Melbourne CBD

MCG

Lygon Street, Carlton

The University of Melbourne

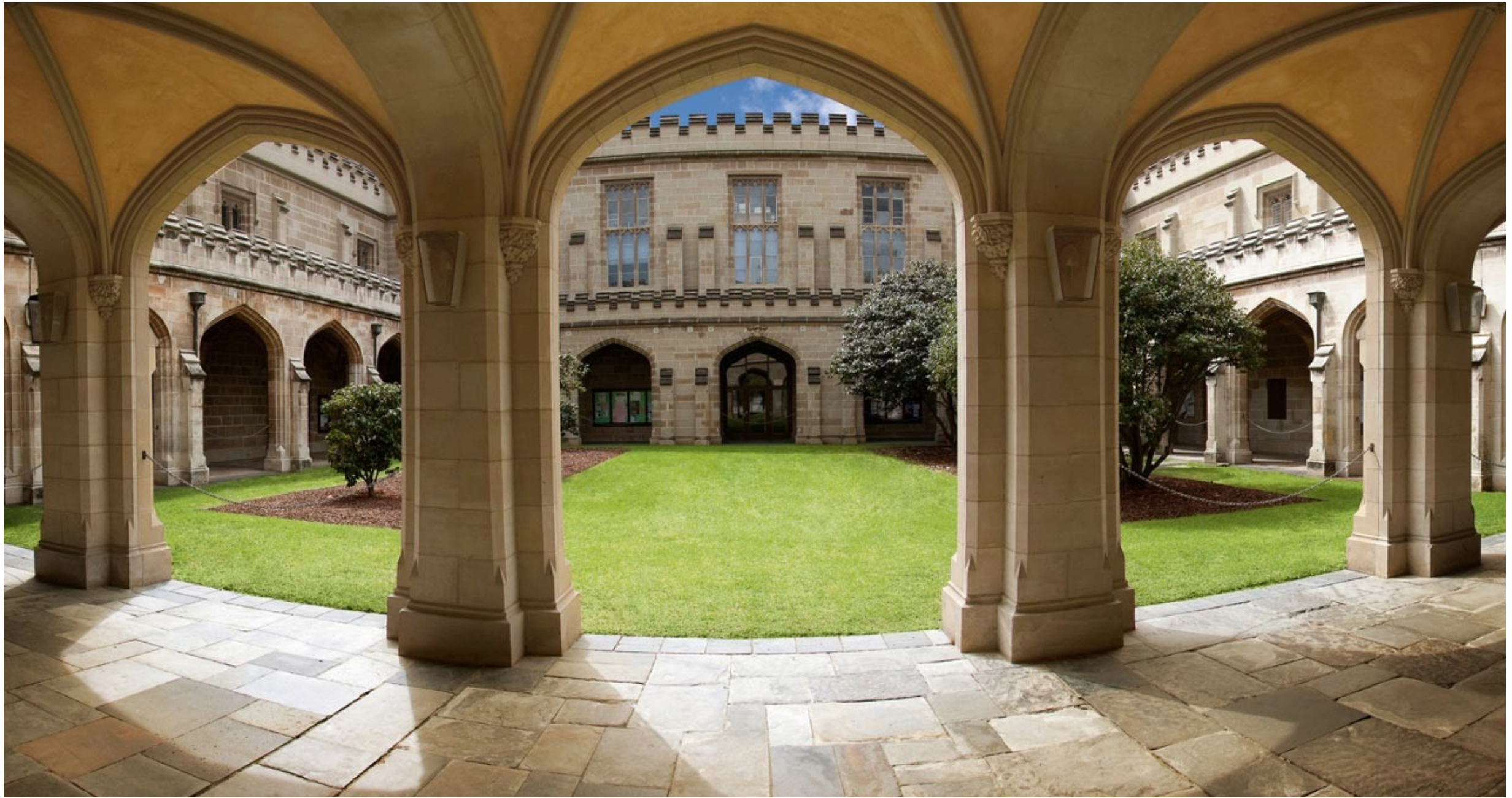
Queen Victoria Market

University College

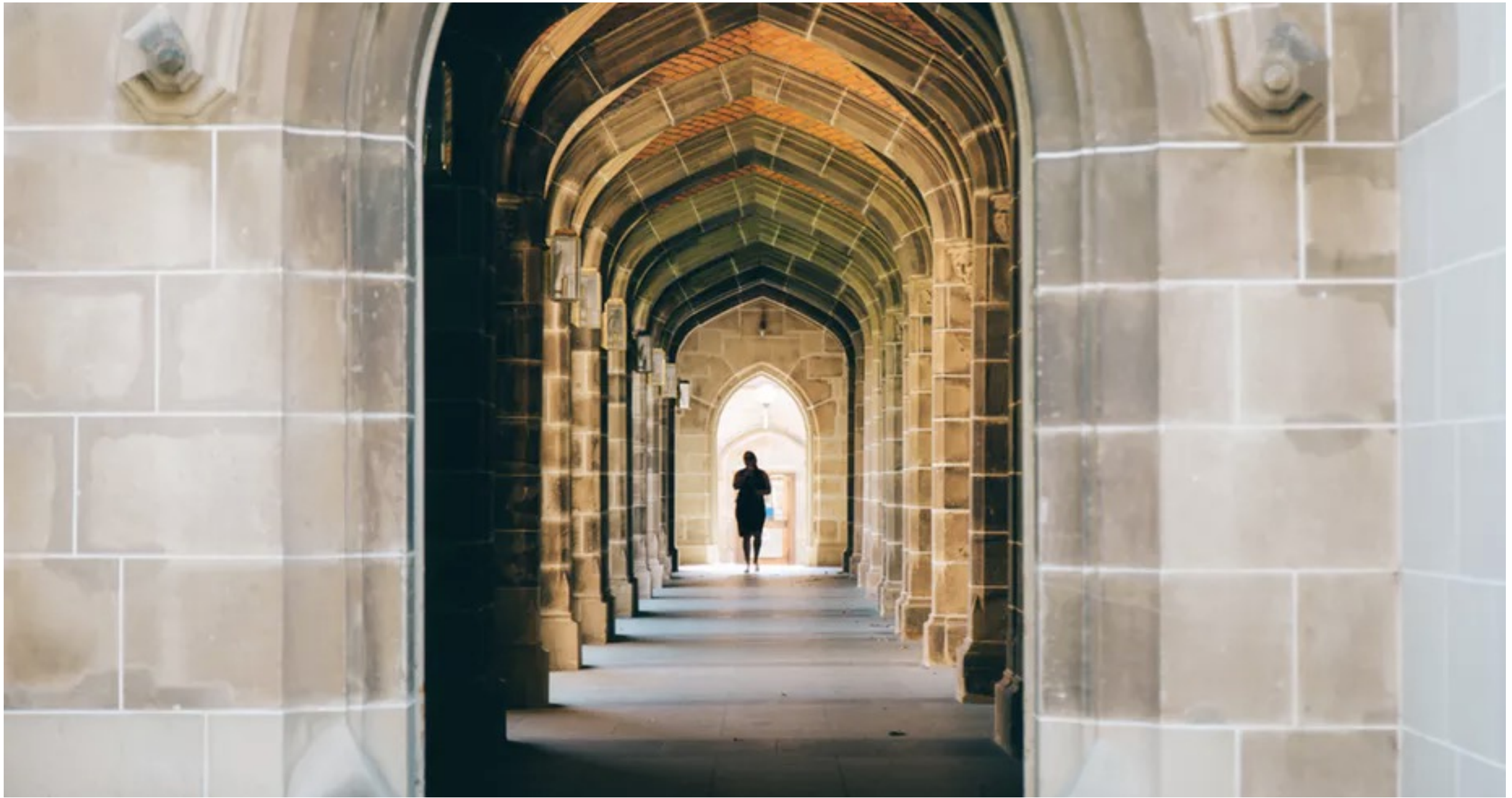
College Crescent

Tram Route 19, Stop 13

Parkville Campus































The Shrine of Remembrance



Yarra River and Princes Bridge



Centre Place



Centre Place



The Block Arcade



Flinder's Street Station



Melbourne Central



Hosier Lane

THANKYOU
R.F.S

Hosier Lane

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Gibbons Art





Hosier Lane



Queen Victoria Night Market



Melbourne rooftops



White Night Festival





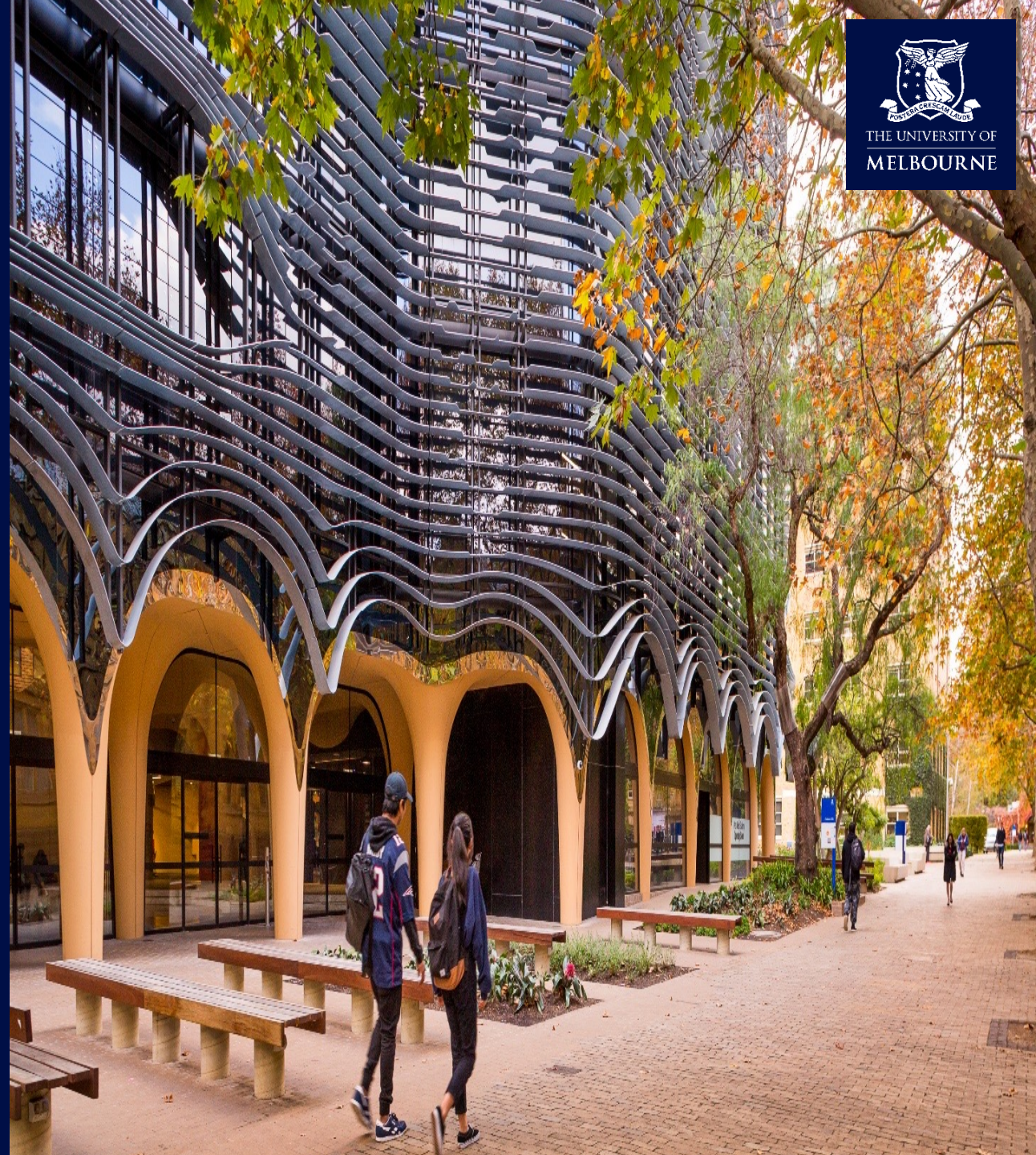
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