

FACTSHEET 2026/27

UOW Australia Study Abroad and Exchange

The University of Wollongong (UOW) enjoys an international reputation for world-class research, exceptional teaching quality and graduate outcomes.

We are a young and vibrant university with undiminished ambitions. We value our research capacity to work on complex interdisciplinary problems. Our spirit of inquiry drives our research and learning environments and our objective of earning a place in the top 1% of the world's universities.

Being Australia's 9th largest city and just over an hour from Sydney, Wollongong is a lively city that offers the perfect Australian lifestyle. It's affordable, easy to get around and enjoys a lower cost of living than other major Australian cities.

Our courses have been developed by academics who are leading their fields.

Our student focus approach to teaching and learning means you will have the guidance and support you need. And this all takes place in a city on one of Australia's most beautiful coastlines.

LIFE AT UOW

Our Wollongong campus combines modern teaching and study spaces on 83 hectares (205 acres) of landscaped Australian bushland. To ensure all our students achieve their best we have facilities dedicated to academic and well-being support, as well as health services, student accommodation, a sports precinct and events embracing culture and entertainment.

During your time at UOW there are endless opportunities to get involved with life on campus. With 120 clubs and societies, live concerts, and a diverse range of events each year, it's just a matter of choosing between them.

Situated on the shores of the Pacific Ocean between the mountains and the sea, students can enjoy a relaxed coastal lifestyle with 17 patrolled surf beaches.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- Why choose Wollongong
- Moving to Wollongong
- Student Accessibility and Inclusion

THIS IS WHO WE ARE

We've worked hard to become one of the world's most respected young universities. Studying at UOW means learning from some of the brightest minds on the planet – recognised globally for their academic excellence. But our proudest achievements are our students, who upon graduation are ranked among the best in the world.

Top 1%

195th in the world
QS World University Rankings 2026

Top 20

16th best young university in the world
THE Young University Rankings 2024

5-Star

UOW earned 5 stars for engagement, resources, skills, and teaching.
Good Universities Guide 2026



Study Abroad and Exchange

SUBJECT OFFERING

UOW offers courses and subjects across a wide range of study areas. Study Abroad and Exchange students are welcome to choose any combination of courses (called 'subjects' at UOW), and can study across multiple academic disciplines or schools. The available subject areas are listed below. Each UOW subject is worth 6 credit points. A full-time study load is typically 3 subjects (18 credit points) or 4 subjects (24 credit points).

- Accounting, Finance & Economics
- Business
- Communications & Media
- Computer Science & Information Technology
- Creative Arts
- Education
- Engineering
- Environmental & Biological Sciences
- Health & Medicine
- Humanities & Social Inquiry
- Law
- Mathematics, Physics & Chemistry
- Psychology & Human Behaviour
- Social Sciences & Advocacy

For more information visit the UOW Handbook.



MAIN SEMESTER DATES 2027

AUTUMN

- Orientation: 22 - 26 February
- Classes commence: 1 March
- Classes finish: 4 June
- Exams: 12 - 24 June

Note: Only postgraduate Business, Accounting, Finance & Economics students are required to study under Trimester schedule. UOW accepts intakes during Trimesters 1 and 3

SPRING

- Orientation: 19 July
- Classes commence: 26 July
- Classes finish: 29 October
- Exams: 6 - 18 November

For more information, including trimester key dates, please visit UOW Key Dates.

PROGRAM FEES

TUITION PER SESSION (Note: Flat fee regardless of study load)	$12,144 (Exchange students exempt)
STUDENT SERVICE AND AMENITIES FEE (per semester)	$186.5* (Exchange students exempt)
OVERSEAS HEALTH COVER (per semester - 8 months)	$532 (single cover)
ENGLISH ELICOS (per week: 6 - 18)	UOW College provides the courses (check website for more information and fees)

* Fee is subject to change in October 2026

Nestled among the native Australian bush, UOW's Wollongong campus is one of the most picturesque universities in Australia



I have loved every minute of my time so far at UOW, especially living in Campus East accommodation. Everyone has been so nice since the first day. The events and activities bring everyone together and instantly made me feel at home. Love being close to the beach, going for walks, enjoying good food and hanging out with friends - I can't describe how grateful I am for the friends I've made here. It's a once-in-a lifetime opportunity to study at UOW, so I'd tell anyone to seize the opportunity if they are lucky enough to have it!

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Apply to UOW

NOMINATION PROCESS

UOW have implemented a new process for student nominations. All nominations must be submitted online. No nominations will be accepted by email.

APPLICATION PROCEEDURE

Students must apply on our mobility online application system (SMO). Please note students will be asked to upload the following documentation into their online application:

- An original copy of your latest academic transcript (in English)
- An original copy of your English language results (if applicable)
- A Study Abroad and Exchange Supporting Statement Form completed by their home university
- A scan of the bio-data page of your valid passport

Students wishing to live in University accommodation should also complete a separate housing application before the accommodation application deadline. Students who apply on time are guaranteed a place in University housing.

Students will also be asked to submit their enrolment plan as part of pre-arrival or orientation communications. Students will receive instructions about how to enrol in classes (online) after their study plans have been assessed. Study Abroad and Exchange students are required to hold a valid visa to study at UOW.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

CRITERION	MEASURE	DETAILS
English Proficiency	IELTS	6.0 overall
		6.0 in reading and writing
		5.0 in listening and speaking
	TOEFL	3.5 (iBT Overall) or 70 (iBT Australia)
		4.0 or 18 in writing
		4.0 or 18 in reading
		3.0 or 12 in listening
		2.0 or 12 in speaking
Good Academic Standing - Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale		

Please, also find more information on our website



Wollongong is a student city where nature and culture collide. Enjoy the variety of sandy beaches and lively cafés, all set to the backdrop of the Illawarra escarpment. It's safe, friendly, and diverse. Attracting people from around the globe who soak up the relaxed lifestyle, Wollongong is truly a unique place to study.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

REQUIREMENTS	DATE	PROCESS | NOTES
Submit Nomination Form	1 October 2026 - Autumn 1 April 2027 - Spring	All nominations must be submitted online.
Submit Program Application	1 November 2026 - Autumn 1 May 2027 - Spring	The application is available online.* Note: Agents that do not log in the system for over 210 days need to reach out to UOW
Submit Accommodation Application	1 November 2026 - Autumn 1 May 2027 - Spring	All applications for University-managed accommodation must be made online.
Request Airport Pick-Up Service	No later than 72 hours prior to arrival at Sydney Kingsford Smith Airport. If arriving on a Saturday or Sunday, the request should be made by no later than 4pm on the preceding Thursday.	Requests for a complimentary airport pick-up from Sydney Kingsford Smith airport (International or Domestic Terminals) must be made online. In the case of a changed or delayed flight, visit the airport pick-up service website.
Arrive at UOW	The week prior to the start of Orientation.	Orientation attendance is compulsory for all incoming students. Enrolment instructions are provided in the pre-arrival email sent to students. Tutorial enrolment opens prior to Orientation. Further enrolment details can be found online. Pre-arrival information for Study Abroad and Exchange students can be found on our website.

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