



GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY

STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE GUIDE 2026

Queensland Australia



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.*



Ranked #4 globally for sustainability

Griffith ranks equal fourth in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings for 2025



Research that makes a difference

Benefit from our vibrant research culture and learn from researchers at the forefront of discovery.



Support you need to succeed

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



Prepared for employment

We include real-life industry experiences in our degrees and have a great range of career-readiness initiatives to help you graduate with skills for your future career.



Exceptional student satisfaction

94% of our international students are happy with their life at university.^

* Griffith consistently places in the top 2% of universities worldwide according to a series of prestigious ranking systems. These include the 2025 Times Higher Education World University Rankings: 309, 2023-2024 US News Best Global Universities: 239, and the 2025 QS World University Rankings: 255. Current as at March 2025.

^ 2023 International Student Barometer survey.

GRIFFITH FAST FACTS



45,000+
students



200+
degrees



4,000+
staff



300,000+
graduates



20+
research institutes
and centres



5 campuses
across Brisbane
and the Gold Coast



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



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

2026 fees:

30CP – A\$8,944

40CP – A\$11,925

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

10CP = 15 credits in the UK system

10CP = 2 to 4 credits in the Japanese system

10CP = 3 credits in the Korean 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
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Electronic Engineering
- Electronic and Computer Engineering
- Electronic and Energy Engineering
- 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
- Nutrition
- Pharmacy
- 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 ♦
- Popular Music ♦

Science and environment

- Applied Mathematics & Statistics
- Aquatic Ecosystems
- Archaeology
- Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
- Bioinformatics
- Chemistry
- Climate Change Adaptation
- Ecology & Conservation Biology
- Environmental Health
- Environmental Management
- Environmental Protection & Pollution
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Sustainability
- Geography
- Marine Biology
- Microbiology
- Physical Environmental Science
- Physics
- Soil and Water Science
- Urban Environments
- Water Resources
- Wildlife Biology

Visual and creative arts

- Animation ♦
- Art Theory
- Contemporary Indigenous Art
- Design
- Film and Screen Media Production
- Games Design
- Industrial Design
- Photography
- Visual Art ♦

Legend

- ♦ Only available to students who are doing a degree in this study area

Availability of courses

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.



For information on course availability visit

griffith.edu.au/inbound-study-options



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: 2.7 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/
-community-profiles](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au/-community-profiles)

OUR LOCATIONS

GOLD COAST

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



Average temperature: 15°C–25°C



Population: More than 647,000*



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](http://goldcoast.qld.gov.au/Council-region/About-our-city/Population-data)



Find out more at:

griffith.edu.au/life-at-griffith/off-campus

Opening in 2027

BRISBANE CITY (CBD)

Based in the Heritage-listed Treasury building, our newest campus will give Griffith students unprecedented access to industry, government and community engagement



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
- Bicycle = 6 minutes
- Walk = 13 minutes



BRISBANE SOUTH (NATHAN)

12.9km to Brisbane CBD

- Car = 15 minutes
- Bus = 20 minutes
- Bicycle = 50 minutes



LOGAN

28.4km to Brisbane CBD

- Car = 30 minutes
- Bus = 1 hour



GOLD COAST

4.5km to Southport CBD

- Car = 10 minutes
- Light rail = 9 minutes
- Bicycle = 20 minutes

60.9km to Brisbane CBD

- Car = 60 minutes



Find out more at:

griffith.edu.au/life-at-griffith



WHERE TO LIVE

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 important that you also find temporary accommodation for your first few days or weeks in the state. This will give you time to 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

Share house

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 student accommodation

There are a number of purpose-built student accommodation providers. You should review their offerings in relation to your needs and contact them directly for more information.

Brisbane: Genesis 1; Scape; Student One; UniLodge Park Central; Uniresort; Iglu.

Gold Coast: University Village; Metro on Central; University Square.



Find out more at:

[*griffith.edu.au/where-to-live*](http://griffith.edu.au/where-to-live)

Homestay accommodation

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 Brisbane South (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.
griffith.edu.au/airport-reception

COMING SOON!

New accommodation in 2026

Our Gold Coast campus is set to boast a new student accommodation tower in the Griffith University Village. 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.

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 February 2025

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.

Tuition fees

Tuition fees are reviewed annually, and international students should expect an increase in fees each year. Detailed information on the fees relevant for your degree, including the fees applicable in your commencing trimester, is available at degrees.griffith.edu.au

Study Queensland's cost of living calculator

Study Queensland's website provides a cost of living calculator for prospective students thinking about studying in Queensland. Scan the QR code to go to their calculator.



Weekly cost of living estimate

Please be advised these figures are an **estimate only** and individual differences and personal preferences mean prices will vary. Please note these costs do not include: arrival costs, temporary/short-term accommodation, security deposit, textbooks, clothing, gym and other memberships or medical expenses. Some of this information is based on 2024 costs according to Study Queensland** (see above for the QR code and more details on the cost of living calculator).

	Self-catered on campus	Share house off campus	Homestay off campus
Campus availability	G, N	G, N, S, L	G, N, S, L
Rent	\$180–\$300 (N) \$310–\$450 (G)	\$250–\$600	\$280–\$420
Food	\$140–\$280	\$140–\$280	Variable*
Transport to university	Walking distance	\$30–\$100	\$30–\$100
Electricity and gas	Included	\$25–\$40	Included†
Mobile phone and internet	\$15–\$30 (Internet included)	\$20–\$50	\$20–\$50
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.

† Students can expect to pay an additional cost for heating and air conditioning.

** These costs were calculated in January 2025.



“Being open-minded and embracing Australian culture made my experience much more enjoyable. There’s a strong sense of community here—everyone is kind and welcoming. I made my first friends at O-Week events like Mates in Minutes and the Twilight Tours, connecting with other international students in the same boat.”

Hugo (Sweden)

YOUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE

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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.

International Student Advisory

If you need extra information or support, make an in-person or online appointment with an International Student Advisor. International Student Advisors provide information to support you to manage your life and your studies within the conditions of your student visa. Our team of dedicated and highly experienced staff can answer any questions throughout your time on campus and help guide you towards academic success.

griffith.edu.au/international-student-advisors

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
- aquatic centre and athletics track at Gold Coast campus
- sports fields and squash courts at Brisbane South (Nathan)

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.

griffith.edu.au/orientation



Find out more at

griffith.edu.au/life-at-griffith

Clubs and societies

Griffith has over 100 clubs in cultural, religious, political, educational, sporting, professional and special interest areas. There are also international student clubs, societies and associations.

griffith.edu.au/clubs

Griffith volunteer community

In addition to Bush Care and Beach 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

Chaplaincy and religion

Including one-on-one appointments, dedicated campus prayer rooms and information on local religious communities.

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:

1 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:

1 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.

4 APPLY ONLINE.

Apply online or via a registered recruitment representative.



Find out more at

[griffith.edu.au/
global-mobility-inbound-apply](http://griffith.edu.au/global-mobility-inbound-apply)



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Key dates*

Trimester 1 2026 (T1)

Orientation	23 February – 27 February
Teaching weeks	2 March – 29 May
Study days	1 June – 3 June
Exam period	4 June – 13 June

Trimester 2 2026 (T2)

Orientation	6 July – 10 July
Teaching weeks	13 July – 9 October
Study days	12 October – 14 October
Exam period	15 October – 24 October

Trimester 3 2026 (T3)

Orientation	26 October – 30 October
Teaching weeks	2 November – 5 February (2027)
Study days	8 February (2027) – 10 February (2027)
Exam period	11 February (2027) – 20 February (2027)

*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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