A very warm welcome to you from La Trobe University, Australia. We understand the importance of your role when it comes to selecting a university, and this guide has been developed to provide support to our prospective students to make course and career decisions that will shape their future.

Today, prospective students face more choices than ever before, and it’s easy to feel overwhelmed by the possibilities that are available. As a parent, it’s important to provide support and encouragement in your child’s interests, career aspirations and gather all the relevant information to select the most appropriate pathway for them to nurture their ambition.

At La Trobe, we are proud to have welcomed over 8,000 international students from over 100 countries. Today, approximately 2,600 international students complete a degree with us each year. We understand the unique requirements of international students, and support will be available throughout their degree through our dedicated International Student Services team, which are located across all of our campuses.

We also offer scholarships to prospective international students to make the most of the opportunities here at La Trobe. We hope this guide provides you with a comprehensive understanding of the exciting journey that awaits at La Trobe University.

We look forward to welcoming your son or daughter at one of our beautiful campuses here in Australia, and wish them all the best with their application.

Warm regards,

Bo Bonifacio
Director
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Welcome

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Employability

We know studying in Australia is a personal and financial investment, and we’re committed to preparing your son or daughter for a successful career. At La Trobe Australia, they’ll have access to a range of career support resources and employment opportunities.

Career Ready Advantage

The career ready advantage program is designed to help our students actively prepare for life after university. It’s structured to encourage students to record and build on their experiences through part-time work, internships, participation in volunteering, international experiences, and professional involvement, which is complementary to their studies.

The focus is on enabling your child to confidently tell their story to future employers and articulate the unique value they can bring.

For more information, visit: latrobe.edu.au/students/careers/career-ready

Work Integrated Learning and placements

Our students can gain the real world experience employers are looking for through Clinical Placements, Internships, Professional Experience Placements, or Work Integrated Learning (WIL), which gives them the chance to:

• develop work-ready skills and boost employability while they’re studying
• put theory into practice
• be taught, mentored and supported by academics and experienced practitioners
• network with colleagues and potential employers
• get exposure to cutting-edge clinical skills and techniques
• explore career options.

Finding a job

As a La Trobe student, your son or daughter will have access to a number of resources to help them find a job.

• CareerHub: search for part-time and casual roles, work experience and volunteering.
• Employer Connect: explore international graduate jobs and paid internships.
• Going Global: information about finding a job or internship globally. Search for jobs, access country-specific career guides, and more.

Careers advisers

The Career Ready team are here to support your child in developing career readiness – whether that be advice on finding a job, choosing a career path, becoming an entrepreneur, or for ideas on developing their skills.

For more information, visit: latrobe.edu.au/students/careers/contacts

Did you know?

Many of our students find employment with their WIL employer post-graduation.

The Global Lounge

ISS Manager Joanna Shaw chats with Cameron Peter Rodrigues (Australia) and Katherine Arditto (Australia).
Reasons to study at La Trobe

YOUR CHILD DOESN’T JUST GET A DEGREE, THEY GET REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE.

WE OFFER INTERNSHIPS AND WORK INTEGRATED LEARNING ACROSS OUR RANGE OF COURSES, WHERE STUDENTS CAN APPLY THEIR LEARNING IN A REAL WORKPLACE – INCREASING THEIR EMPLOYABILITY AND BUILDING THEIR PROFESSIONAL INDUSTRY NETWORKS.

WE BRING INDUSTRY TO THE CLASSROOM WITH OUR PROFESSORS OF PRACTICE. THEY’LL SUPPORT YOUR CHILD BY GIVING THEM PRACTICAL CAREER ADVICE, ACCESS TO INDUSTRY NETWORKS AND CONNECTIONS, AND A LEARNING EXPERIENCE THAT’S RELEVANT AND UP-TO-DATE WITH INDUSTRY TRENDS, ENSURING THEY GRADUATE CAREER READY.

STUDY IN AN ENVIRONMENT PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES OF TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH, FEATURING STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES SUCH AS THE INTERNATIONALLY-RENOOWNED LA TROBE INSTITUTE FOR MOLECULAR SCIENCE (LIMS) AND THE AGRIBIO CENTRE FOR AGRICULTURAL BIOSCIENCES.

LA TROBE WELCOMES AND EMBRACES DIVERSITY AND MULTICULTURALISM ACROSS ALL OF OUR CAMPUSES, WITH STUDENTS AND STAFF FROM MANY NATIONS, CULTURES AND FAITHS.
WE OFFER A RANGE OF SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FOR BOTH COURSEWORK AND RESEARCH PROGRAMS.

WE ARE THE LARGEST PROVIDER OF UNIVERSITY EDUCATION IN REGIONAL VICTORIA.
WITH EIGHT CAMPUSES LOCATED IN VICTORIA AND NEW SOUTH WALES

YOU CAN REST ASSURED YOUR CHILD WILL BE PART OF A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT
WITH 24-HOUR ACCESS TO SECURITY SERVICES ACROSS ALL CAMPUSES.

OUR STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM A WIDE VARIETY OF ACCOMMODATION OFFERINGS. THIS IS MORE THAN JUST A PLACE TO LIVE - IT’S A LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCE.

LA TROBE IS RANKED IN THE WORLD’S TOP 400 UNIVERSITIES

THE 2016 TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS NAMED LA TROBE AMONG THE TOP 200 MOST INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD, BASED ON THE PROPORTION OF OUR STAFF, STUDENTS AND RESEARCH PAPER AUTHORS FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY.

180 000 PLUS STUDENTS HAVE GRADUATED FROM LA TROBE INCLUDING CEOS OF SOME OF AUSTRALIA’S MOST PROMINENT ORGANISATIONS, AS WELL AS PARLIAMENTARIANS, HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS, MEDICAL RESEARCHERS AND OLYMPIANS.

‘My passion to work for a better world has always driven me to engage in community services and voluntary work. This keen interest led me to volunteer as an International Host and a Connect Host at the 2016 La Trobe University Orientation, where I assisted new international students in registration, support services as well as helping them make friends and get to know each other.’

Farhana Afrin Mouni
Master of International Development
Bangladesh
The university system explained

Studying at university is a unique experience. Here are some key terms your son or daughter will come across if they are considering university in Australia.

Undergraduate

This is the first level of study at university, and usually refers to a three or four year Bachelor’s degree. This may also include Honours studies, which can take an additional year, plus there are double degrees which usually take at least four years full-time.

Course structure

Our course structure is based on two 13-week semesters each year. Semester 1 usually begins in February and runs until May, while Semester 2 usually begins in July and runs until October.

To see the La Trobe Academic Calendar visit: latrobe.edu.au/calendar/academic-calendar

Most subjects run for one semester, and full-time students usually enrol in four subjects each semester. In most courses, students will complete a combination of compulsory (core) subjects, a major, and some electives. In some courses, they only have to complete compulsory (core) subjects.

Postgraduate

A university qualification undertaken after a Bachelor’s degree (e.g. Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, Postgraduate Diploma, Master’s, Doctorate). Postgraduate qualifications can be completed by coursework or through research.

Modern learning spaces for students

Occupying a level of 360 Collins St, in the heart of Melbourne’s business district, the City Campus is designed around the latest innovations in educational design and teaching and learning technology, and features a new and fully customised fit-out.

(left to right) Henry Andrean (Indonesia), Meghalee Bose (India), Cameron Peter Rodrigues (Australia).

Modern learning spaces for students
Assessment and grading

Your child’s assessment will vary depending on the subject they’re taking, and can include case studies, group assignments, class presentations and exams. At La Trobe, we use the following grading scheme:

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Contact hours

Contact hours are the number of hours your child will need to spend in lectures and tutorials. Depending on what they are studying, contact hours could be between 12 and 30 hours per week. They will also need to spend time on independent reading and research outside of class.

Major

This is a sequence of subjects that allows your child to specialise in an area that particularly interests them. Six to eight major subjects are generally taken over the whole degree – at least one each semester.

Work placements

Work placements give your child industry experience relevant to their studies, and allow them to network with individuals in their chosen industry. During work placements, they will usually work under an employer’s supervision. Not all courses offer placements, but for some they’re compulsory. They’re usually assessed as part of their studies.

Tuition fees

When your child studies at La Trobe, you’ll need to pay tuition fees. Indicative 2017 annual fees for each of our courses are detailed on pages 52 to 63 of the International Prospectus, and are calculated based on a standard full-time 120 credit point load. Actual fees may vary depending on your course and your subject enrolment load. Fees are subject to change each year. You can find information about living costs in Australia on pages 8 and 9.

For more information about tuition fees and our refund policy, visit: latrobe.edu.au/study/costs/international

Scholarships

Scholarships are payments or grants that can assist your son or daughter in their studies.

To find out more, visit our website: latrobe.edu.au/study/costs/international/scholarships
Airport pick up

If your child arrives at Melbourne Airport, La Trobe International (LTI) is pleased to provide them with a free airport pick up service when your drop off destination is within a 6km radius of Bundoora or Melbourne city. If they stay outside these zones, they will need to pay the difference in cash to the driver.

Find out more at: latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/international/leaving/airport

Can I visit Australia to see my child while they are studying?

Yes you can visit them, but you’ll need to apply for a visitor’s visa from your local Australian Embassy, Consulate or High Commission.

Connect Mentors

Connect Mentors are La Trobe students who will help your child settle into university life. As peers, they know how it feels to be new and will help them connect and get involved in their community. Your child will meet with the Connect Mentors during Orientation, where they’ll take them on campus tours, answer questions, and introduce them to other students in their study discipline.

Connect Mentors maintain contact during the semester through online support, face-to-face events, or a mix of both, depending on your child’s campus.

Language and Cultural Exchange Program (LACE)

The LACE program enables your child to practice their English or another language in a relaxed environment while making new friends at the same time. We put them in contact with other students interested in learning more about their language and country.

Find out more at: latrobe.edu.au/students/international/support/activities/lace

Settling into Australian life

We want to ensure your son or daughter has an enjoyable and safe university experience. Here are just some of the services we offer that will help your child to network, make friends, and transition to life in Australia.

Before commencing university life in Australia, your child can join our social network group on Facebook or Weibo. They can ask questions from e-friends, who are experienced La Trobe students and International Student Services staff members. It’s a great way to make new friends, meet students studying a similar discipline, and prepare for a successful transition to life at La Trobe.

They can join the Facebook group by searching ‘Transition @ La Trobe – International Welcome group’, or the Weibo group by visiting: weibo.com/latrobeuniaus
Multicultural Week

International Student Services, the La Trobe Student Union, and the International Students Association come together to organise a week of cultural activities and events for domestic and international students, to celebrate our diverse university community and promote a culture of pride, appreciation and understanding.

“When I had doubts about my visa, I visited the La Trobe Bendigo International Office, and also attended events, which was very helpful. I also lived on-campus, and the accommodation services staff were very helpful and always willing to make my living experience more enjoyable.”

Alonso Navarro
Master of Community Planning and Development
Mexico
On-campus accommodation

We have a range of accommodation options at our campuses in Bendigo, Albury-Wodonga and at our Melbourne Campus in Bundoora. Life in residence gives students a unique opportunity for intellectual, social and personal development in a safe and dynamic residential community.

For more information about living on campus, visit: latrobe.edu.au/accommodation/locations

Can my child study at La Trobe if they are under 18 years of age?

They can currently study at La Trobe if they are under 18 years of age.

Average living costs for one student (A$) – indicative only

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Establishment costs (once only)

| Bond | 0 | 0 |
| Rent in advance | 1140 | 1000 |
| Telephone, internet and utilities connection | 0 | 0 |
| Establishment costs (Household items, furniture) | 240 | 240 |

Total | 1380 | 1240 |

Annual Costs

| Books, stationery, etc. | 819 |

Weekly Costs

| Weekly rent/board | 285 | 250 |
| Food/groceries | 20 | 20 |
| Personal items/health/clothing | 31 | 31 |
| Utilities (gas, electricity, mobile phone, internet) | 22 | 22 |
| Travel (public transport/fuel) | 60 | 27 |
| Spending money | 82 | 82 |

Average weekly costs | 500 | 432 |

Total estimate (one academic year = 36 weeks) | 19 064 | 16 625 |

Footnotes:
[1] Assumes shared with two others. [2] Bond is usually refunded at the end of your stay provided no money is due, you have given the required period of notice, and that you have caused no damage to the property. Note that some private student accommodation providers will deduct a cleaning charge at the end of your stay. [3] Transport for education and work purposes. [4] Placement fee for homestay service. [5] Includes non-refundable costs of social and transition programs and other miscellaneous fees. The cost may be lesser for students who are in-residence for only one semester or who commence at Semester 2 (July). [6] Limited on-campus accommodation available at Shepparton Campus.
Off-campus accommodation

Choose from a range of off-campus accommodation options close to the University.

- Share housing: Sharing a rented house or flat with other people is generally the most economical, flexible and popular form of off-campus accommodation.
- Hostels and rooming houses: Bedrooms are usually furnished and you can rent your own locked bedroom (single room) or share a bedroom with others (dorm room). You also share common facilities such as the kitchen, laundry, bathroom and living areas.
- Private rental vacancies: This option includes units, flats, houses, self-contained bungalows and apartments. This can be one of the more expensive options as you are solely responsible for meeting costs such as the bond (security deposit), gas, electricity, furnishings, etc.

For further information on accommodation, including commercially-operated student apartments and homestay, please visit: latrobe.edu.au/accommodation

Budgeting

Your child will need to consider a range of costs in addition to their tuition fees including, but not limited to, accommodation fees, food, telephone and internet, travel and of course discretionary spending expenses.

The below guide will provide you with an estimate of the costs associated with your child's studies, so that you can start planning.

Funds

Under a new State Government and La Trobe University trial, international students in an undergraduate or Diploma program will be eligible for a 50 per cent discount on annual public transport fares (excludes Sydney students).

For more information, visit: studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/transport/publictransport

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Student life

There’s a lot more to being at La Trobe than going to class and working on assignments.

Leadership, mentoring and volunteering programs are available to students at every La Trobe campus. Students have the chance to develop valuable skills for their future, while actively engaging in their campus and local communities.

Find out more: latrobe.edu.au/students/leadership-volunteering

La Trobe is well known for its range of health and wellbeing programs and services that aim to make a positive impact on your emotional, physical, social and spiritual wellbeing. Depending on your campus, you’ll have access to counselling services, meditation and relaxation seminars and workshops to reduce stress. You’ll also be able to join on-campus activities during Wellbeing Week.

Find out more: latrobe.edu.au/students/wellbeing

Students run many cultural and recreational clubs, so you’ll have plenty of opportunities to meet people who share your academic, cultural, literary, musical, political and sporting interests.

Find out more: latrobesu.org.au

Sport, health and fitness are part of life at La Trobe. We’re the leading Australian university for sport-related teaching and research, and we actively support student participation in sport.

Find out more: latrobe.edu.au/sport

All student life activities operate within a safe and secure environment at La Trobe with 24-hour access to security services across all campuses.
La Trobe University

Student support

International student services

Throughout your child’s time at La Trobe, they are always welcome to seek advice, information and support from the International Student Services (ISS) team who can help with academic, social, financial and cultural issues.

The ISS team also run social events and programs where your child can make new friends with Australian and international students. To enhance their experience in Australia, the University also provides many opportunities to actively engage in various cultural groups and local communities.

For more information, visit: latrobe.edu.au/students/international/support/supportservices

Religious facilities

• Chaplaincy
Representing all Christian denominations, the Chaplains offer support to visitors of the Chaplaincy, and can assist people with understanding and exploring their faith. The La Trobe Chaplaincy on your campus can help you to contact and join local churches, mosques, synagogues and temples, meetings, clubs and groups on campus.

For more information, visit: latrobe.edu.au/chaplaincy

• Muslim prayer facilities
Muslim students can collect a free Muslim Student Guide from all LTI offices. It contains specific information on support and facilities for Muslim students.

For more information, visit: latrobe.edu.au/students/new-students/international/settling/faith/muslim-students

Counselling service

For confidential personal counselling, contact the Counselling Service.

latrobe.edu.au/students/wellbeing/counselling/about

Reintegration Workshop

In this workshop, final year students reflect on their time at La Trobe and prepare for life after university. There are two streams: one for those returning home, and another for those planning to continue to live and work in Australia. Students receive information and tips to ensure an easy transition into the next stage of their lives.

For more information, visit: latrobe.edu.au/students/international/support/leaving/ready-set-go!
La Trobe Melbourne is our preferred pathway provider, offering diplomas, foundation studies and English courses that lead to the first or second year of your La Trobe University degree.

Based at the La Trobe University Melbourne Campus in Bundoora, you’ll be introduced to the Australian university student lifestyle as well as gain early access to campus accommodation, support services and world-class sporting facilities.

We know that coming to Australia to study is a significant investment, so we provide:

- **a clear packaged offer** that includes your chosen pathway program and a degree from La Trobe University. This means that you will only need one visa to cover your studies in Australia

- **three trimester intakes** over 12 months meaning greater flexibility with start times, and depending on your course, the ability to fast-track to graduation

- **additional student support** when you arrive and during your studies with smaller class sizes, greater access to academic staff and free academic support classes

- **university lifestyle** with access to campus accommodation, student employment opportunities, security services, social events, sports facilities, language laboratories, clubs and societies.

After completing a La Trobe Melbourne course and achieving the required grade point average, you’ll move into first or second year of your chosen La Trobe degree.

Review your course progression criteria online: [latrobemelbourne.edu.au/ transferring-to-la-trobe-university](latrobemelbourne.edu.au/transferring-to-la-trobe-university)

Find your ideal pathway to La Trobe University now: [latrobemelbourne.edu.au](latrobemelbourne.edu.au)
How to apply

1 Choose your course
Read about our courses: latrobe.edu.au/courses

2 Check the admission requirements
Make sure you meet the academic entry and English language requirements for your course.
latrobe.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/international
If you don’t meet the entry requirements for your course, one of our pathway programs may help. La Trobe Melbourne offers English language, Foundation and Diploma pathway programs to help you meet undergraduate and postgraduate academic entry and English language requirements.

3 Apply for your course online
Access the Student Portal at isisprd.latrobe.edu.au/ISIS/Portal/Login.aspx and register as a new user.
After you submit your details, you’ll receive an email with your username and password to log in to the Student Portal and start your online application.

4 Scan and upload your supporting documents
You’ll need to upload the following documents into the Student Portal: copies of your academic qualifications in your language and in a certified English translation (you’ll need to submit original or certified copies of academic qualifications when you accept your offer) evidence of your English language proficiency any other information specified in the entry requirements for your course any supplementary application forms required.
Note: if you want to apply for a credit transfer, you’ll be required to provide course syllabus or outlines.

5 Accept your offer
Once your application is approved, you will receive an email from us with your offer letter and a step-by-step guide on how to accept your offer, pay your tuition fees and provide outstanding documents. You’ll then receive a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) that will enable you to apply for a student visa to study in Australia.
Note: you can also apply via post, fax or email, or you can deliver your application form and accompanying documentation in person at:
La Trobe University – International Admissions
Sylvia Walton Building
Plenty Road and Kingsbury Drive
Melbourne Victoria 3086
Australia
E: intapplication@latrobe.edu.au
F: +61 3 9479 3660
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Free-call
1800 619 768 (within Australia)

Online enquiries
international@latrobe.edu.au

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