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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS GUIDE

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The land on which Curtin’s Bentley Campus is situated has belonged to the Aboriginal Whadjuk Nyungar people for thousands of years and is now a place of learning for all people.

Curtin University acknowledges the Nyungar people as the traditional owners of the land, and pays respect to their vibrant culture and the leadership of the Elders past, present and future.
Start your career with our globally recognised courses and extensive industry connections. You will be immersed in technology-rich environments and inspired by innovation, creativity and high-impact research.

Curtin University has campuses in Western Australia, Singapore, Malaysia, Dubai and Mauritius, and partnerships with more than 130 institutions around the globe. Curtin’s growing international reputation has seen it rise up the university rankings in recent years. The University is now ranked in the top one per cent of universities worldwide in the prestigious Academic Ranking of World Universities 2017.

Depending on your course, you could study at one of our campuses or one of our partner institutions. Some courses allow you to switch between campuses while others can be studied online.

When you graduate, you’ll join our alumni network of more than 230,000 graduates.

**THE ABERDEEN-CURTIN ALLIANCE**

The Aberdeen-Curtin Alliance was established in early 2017, combining 500 years of academic strength, history and tradition at Scotland’s University of Aberdeen with the ambition and innovation of Curtin University.

**SINGAPORE**

Singapore is one of the world’s most cosmopolitan cities and one of the major economic hubs of Asia. Curtin Singapore is the perfect place to immerse yourself in the world of international business and commerce or you could choose to study mass communications or nursing here.

**MAURITIUS**

Two thousand kilometres off the south east coast of Africa, the tropical island of Mauritius blends cultures from Europe, Africa and Asia. Here you’ll receive an internationally recognised education and can sample a variety of exciting leisure activities and sports.

**PERTH**

Perth is a stunning, vibrant and multicultural city and the ideal place to mix study with sports, activities, dining and relaxation. Our largest campus is located just six kilometres from the city centre. It is a place of inspiration, with technology-rich learning spaces, high-impact research and a wide range of courses that prepare you for your future career.

**KALGOORLIE**

The Kalgoorlie Campus puts Curtin students in the heart of WA’s historic mining region.

**DUBAI**

At Curtin Dubai you’ll study in a city famed for its luxury lifestyle, architecture and geographical importance. The campus provides flexible access to highly regarded programs for students in the Middle East, India, Africa and Central Asia.

**MALAYSIA**

Located near the city of Miri, Sarawak, on the island of Borneo, Curtin Malaysia has a beautiful garden campus nestled between the world’s oldest rainforest and the South China Sea. You can enjoy warm weather all year, indulge in the local culture and food, and discover the area’s natural wonders.
EXPERIENCE PERTH: ONE OF THE WORLD’S MOST LIVEABLE CITIES

Situated on the beautiful western coast of Australia and ranked in the top ten most liveable cities in the world, Perth is a safe city with a low crime rate and an affordable cost of living.

SHOPPING AND CULTURE
The city centre is home to Elizabeth Quay, a community space reflective of both culture and history – as well as many beautiful parks and gardens.

AQUATIC AND COASTAL
Breathtaking beaches with pristine sand are located within easy reach of the city. You can try different watersports, cycle along the oceanside pathways, and enjoy fish and chips by the ocean.

FOOD AND DRINK
Cafés and restaurants are peppered throughout the city, offering cultural cuisine from around the world.

ENVIRONMENT
The city hosts domestic and international cricket and football competitions as well as music concerts, live entertainment, festivals and performance arts.

LOCATION
Perth is situated in Western Australia, with a domestic and an international airport, and located in the same time zone as Hong Kong, Singapore, Beijing and Kuala Lumpur.

TRANSPORT
The Perth metropolitan area is very well serviced with bus, train and ferry public transport services and an extensive road network. The international airport is just a 20-minute drive from the city.

COST OF LIVING
Perth is less expensive than Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Adelaide. Day-to-day living costs may vary according to your interests. If you’re studying a master or PhD degree, see our website for more benefits available to you when you choose to study in Perth.

ACCOMMODATION (AUD$)
- Hostels and guest houses: $90 to $150 per week
- Shared rental: $85 to $215 per week
- On-campus: $155 to $280 per week
- Homestay: $235 to $325 per week
- Rental: $165 to $440 per week

OTHER LIVING EXPENSES (AUD$)
- Groceries and eating out: $80 to $280 per week
- Gas, electricity: $35 to $140 per week
- Phone and internet: $20 to $55 per week

PERTH WEATHER
Perth has a Mediterranean climate

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PERTH TIMEZONE
Perth GMT+8

Cottesloe Beach
Kangaroos at Whiteman Park
Fremantle Markets (Photo: StudyPerth)
Elizabeth Quay (Photo: StudyPerth)
Cycling on the Swan River
Perth Fringe World festival
Margaret River
A Perth street café (Photo: StudyPerth)

1. Economist Intelligence Unit Global Livability Index 2017. 2. Economist Intelligence Unit Worldwide Cost of Living Survey 2017. 3. studyinaustralia.gov.au

source: australia.com

Kirribilli Beach
Perth Zoo
Rottnest Island
Located just six kilometres from the centre of Perth, the Bentley Campus is close to public transport and has a wide range of services including student admin, a medical centre, childcare and banking facilities, international food outlets and an award-winning sports stadium.

BUILDING A CITY OF INNOVATION
Greater Curtin is a long-term master plan that will transform Curtin’s Bentley Campus into an innovation precinct that not only welcomes students and staff, but also organisations and industries that align with Curtin’s research strengths.

The development includes short and long-term accommodation, and retail and recreational facilities that create a vibrant street life punctuated with art and culture.

The Greater Curtin developments commenced in 2018 with a new bus interchange and will continue with further improvements through to 2030.
If you are moving to Perth, you may choose to live on campus in university housing. Early application is essential because on-campus accommodation is always in high demand. Priority is given to students who are new to Perth. If you prefer to live off campus, we can help you find share housing, boarding opportunities or single rentals.

**LIVING ON CAMPUS**

We offer more than 1,000 places to stay at our main campus. Curtin’s accommodation is a popular way to stay close to campus. Due to high demand, we recommend you apply for student housing as soon as you apply to study at Curtin.

By living on campus, you’ll enjoy comfortable and tidy single and shared accommodation, and have the opportunity to meet and interact with people from all over the world. You will also benefit from 24-hour security patrols and the convenience of having supermarkets, shops, restaurants, cafés and a post office only walking distance away.

**OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION**

A range of accommodation options is available in the suburbs surrounding the main campus. You’ll benefit from close proximity to the city and shopping, with rental prices varying depending on the type and location of accommodation you choose. Curtin’s Housing Services Office keeps a register of people in established households who are looking to share with others. Off-campus accommodation allows greater independence and privacy, making it ideal for mature-aged students and those with families.

To get more information, see photographs of accommodation, find out about free wi-fi and gym membership inclusions, or fill out an application form, visit: curtin.edu/int-accommodation.
TOP THINGS TO DO ON CAMPUS

Curtin’s largest campus in Perth supports a student and staff population the size of a small city, meaning there’s never a dull day. There is daily entertainment, free fitness classes, outdoor games and beautiful garden areas where you can stroll, relax and unwind.

Here are some of our students’ favourite things to do between classes:

- Head along to our weekly markets with live music and tasty treats to tempt your taste buds
- Re-energise and relax in our futuristic sleeping pods and comfy hammocks
- Make new friends with our giant-sized board games like Jenga and Scrabble
- Catch up with family and friends overseas thanks to free wi-fi across campus
- Access free classes like yoga and pilates to stretch your limbs and unwind
- Join one of our many clubs, which cater for a wide selection of interests.

Did you know?

With free wi-fi across campus, you can get in touch with family and friends at any time.

youtube.com/curtinuniversity

Experience more of the campus vibe on our YouTube channel.

Food trucks bring international cuisine to campus every day of the week

Take a nap in a sleeping pod

Keep fit at Curtin Stadium and Fitness Centre

Giant-sized games

Get involved with a student club or sporting team
A GLOBAL CAREER

GRADUATE CAREER-READY AND HIGHLY EMPLOYABLE
Curtin collaborates with some of the largest companies in Australia and internationally to ensure you graduate with the practical skills, connections and knowledge needed to succeed in the global marketplace.

EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT
Access employment support as well as career planning and development advice through our valuable careers centre. Get great advice on writing job applications and resume writing, and access our Global Careers database that connects you with employers around the world.

LOOKING FOR WORK?
UniHub is an online jobs board exclusive to the Curtin community. Discover a wide range of part-time job opportunities. As an international student, your visa may allow you to work 40 hours per fortnight during semester and full-time during holiday periods.

BECOME A LEADER
Learn new skills through our free leadership programs, volunteering and community projects. You’ll have the opportunity to gain practical experience in project management, problem solving, public speaking and conflict resolution.

INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS
Benefit from our collaborative relationships with some of the biggest companies in Australia and the world.

Our past and present partners include:
- Alcoa
- BHP
- Chamber of Commerce and Industry WA (CCIWA)
- Chevron
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- RAC
- Rio Tinto
- Theiss
- Tourism Western Australia
- Woodside

INTERN WITH INDUSTRY
Thanks to our unique partnership with CCIWA, you could be eligible for hundreds of competitive internship opportunities with businesses across the state.

In 2017, nearly four in ten internship students were hired by their internship employer on graduation.

A PRICELESS CAREER MOVE
In 2004, Curtin graduate John Lo left a lucrative job at one of the world’s biggest accounting firms, PwC, for a finance role at a little-known Chinese internet company, Tencent.

His calculated decision paid off. In November 2017, Tencent became the world’s fifth-biggest company, alongside Apple, Alphabet, Microsoft and Amazon, and valued at over $628 billion.

One of Tencent’s most successful inventions to date is the all-purpose app WeChat, a household name among its one billion users. The app has been described as ‘Facebook, Skype, Slack, Amazon, PayPal and Apple Wallet all rolled up into one’.

Lo credits the skills he has acquired throughout his studies and career to his success today.

“Ever since graduating from Curtin twenty-five years ago, continuous learning has been my top priority,” Lo says with enthusiasm. “Thanks to the excellent education offered by Curtin, I was equipped with ample knowledge and skills.”

Lo says he was inspired to study overseas at Curtin because of the university’s international reputation and the affordable cost of living in Perth compared to the eastern states.

“Perth is also in the same time zone as Hong Kong, my home country, so it was more convenient to connect to family and friends back home,” he explains.

A 5 star rating for learning engagement and skills development*

*Good Universities Guide 2017

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*Curtin graduate John Lo, Chief Financial Officer, Tencent.
At Curtin’s largest campus in Perth, technology-rich learning environments recreate real workplaces to enhance your studies and give you the practical experience you need before you graduate.

**THE AGENCY**
Experience first-hand how major global brands monitor their digital presence. The facility features a brainstorming and strategising area, and a media command centre so you can follow live event and campaign posts on social media platforms.

**CURTIN MEDICAL SCHOOL**
Expecting a stark, clinical setting? The colourful, creative interior of the medical school may surprise you. Featuring collaborative, state-of-the-art learning spaces, it’s a departure from the traditional classroom model.

**FORMULA RACING**
If you want to get involved in a real-world engineering design project, join the Curtin Motorsport Team, who build open wheel formula cars to compete in the annual Australasian Formula SAE competition.

**THE HIVE**
Interact with 3D virtual worlds and panoramas in The Hive (Hub for Immersive Visualisation and E-research). It’s a quantum leap in the presentation and analysis of complex data.

**HAYMAN THEATRE**
Discover the art of professional public theatre production in our well-equipped, boutique theatre. The venue stages up to 25 productions per year, directed by students, staff and professional artists-in-residence.

**ENGINEERING PAVILION**
The innovative design and technologies in the spacious Curtin Engineering Pavilion Complex double as hands-on learning tools for engineering students, providing interactive visualisations of the building’s mechanical and chemical processes.

**STOCK MARKET TRADING ROOM**
Get immersed in the world of financial data. Simulating a real-life business environment with 20 Bloomberg Professional licences and Wall Street-inspired terminals, the Trading Room is buzzing with activity.

**SIMULATED HOSPITAL WARD**
Recreating the environment of a large hospital in Perth in amazing detail, the simulated hospital ward supports virtual and augmented realities, with anatomeq tables and full-body computerised mannikins with life-like features.

See these facilities in action on our YouTube channel!
Architectural and construction is more than just designing and constructing buildings. Our courses teach you to create beautiful, functional spaces that enhance people’s lives. From small projects such as designing houses to large-scale ones like building hospitals, factories or freeways, you’ll gain hands-on experience and graduate with the knowledge you need to make a real difference to people’s lives.

**PHYSICAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS**
Science and mathematics are at the heart of new discoveries, inventions and technology. Develop your knowledge in subjects such as chemistry, physics, biochemistry, statistics or industrial modelling. You’ll learn how to apply your studies to real-world problems and situations, and have opportunities to work in environments where research and discovery abound.

**ENGINEERING AND MINING**
Engineers are involved in building, design and process across a broad range of industries. Our courses teach you to create quality environments in which people live, work and play. The growing need for infrastructure to support communities and industry means you have opportunities to work on diverse and interesting projects. These can range from small projects such as designing houses to large-scale ones like building hospitals, factories or freeways.

**IT AND COMPUTING**
Explore new technology and show your creative flair and eye for technical detail with Curtin’s IT and computing courses. Learn how to program computers, administer networks and design software and multimedia. Develop computer games and use artificial intelligence in real-life situations or discover how to protect computers and systems from hackers.

**HEALTH**
If you’re passionate about becoming part of the next generation of health care professionals who innovate, inspire and heal, Curtin offers a range of nationally accredited and internationally recognised courses. Not only will you get access to state-of-the-art facilities like our simulated hospital ward and brand-new medical school, you’ll also get plenty of hands-on experience and will graduate with the knowledge you need to make a real difference to people’s lives.

**BUSINESS, MANAGEMENT AND LAW**
Apply classroom learning to real situations when you study a business or law course at Curtin. Through our extensive industry networks you’ll get exposure to business professionals and projects that prepare you for future employment. Curtin Business School is recognised as an elite business school through its accreditation by AACSB, ensuring your business degree will be recognised around the globe.

**AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY**
Our agriculture, environment and sustainability courses allow you to study ways to manage the risks associated with seasons, climate change and global warming, or prepare for a career in agribusiness and learn how to farm and produce food and wine. With our geography course, you’ll examine the threats and opportunities posed by urbanisation and global issues and learn how to secure essential supplies for those in need.

**EDUCATION**
A person’s education is the stepladder to their future. If you want to help others reach their full potential, then Curtin’s education courses can help you get there. You’ll learn about the cultural, social and individual needs of children in school and how you can make a difference to their education and future.

**CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND INDIGENOUS**
Launch your career in a range of community, private or government-based areas with our courses in culture, language and Indigenous studies. You could choose to explore the dynamics of different societies, study the written word and its applications, develop your skills in Asian languages or focus on Indigenous Australian culture.

**ARTS AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES**
If you’re a creative person and love to express yourself imaginatively, our courses can develop your skills and teach you to apply them in the working world. You’ll get access to excellent teaching facilities such as our on-campus film studio, theatre, radio station and newsroom. Our arts degrees are comprehensive and flexible, allowing you to follow your own interests and create a unique, tailored program from a variety of disciplines.

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Curtin’s international reputation for research excellence has grown rapidly. As the university builds on this momentum, it is striking a balance between demand-driven research, which solves defined problems for industry and society, and researcher-driven research, which is characterised by a desire to push the limits of understanding.

**ADVANCING AGRICULTURE**
Curtin’s Centre for Crop Disease and Management is reducing the economic impact of crop disease through research into fungicide resistance, farming systems, molecular genetics and bioinformatics. The work is saving Australian farmers an estimated $100 million per year.

**PUSHING THE BOUNDARIES OF RADIO ASTRONOMY**
Curtin is paving the way for the world’s most powerful radio telescope, the billion-dollar Square Kilometre Array, which will give scientists a greater view of deep space than any previous technology, and a better understanding of the Universe in its earliest moments.

**GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES**
Curtin is actively involved with the commercialisation of innovative research, joining with industry and investors to ensure that technology developed by Curtin researchers can be turned into commercially viable products, such as the Carbon Scout, a device that improves gold recovery.

**ROBOTIC REHAB**
Curtin’s Biorobotics Research Lab is changing the future of rehabilitation with a range of advanced robotic prototypes. Their latest project is a robotic stability platform that works in concert with a virtual reality headset. Patients stand on the platform, which gently tilts, while their mind is immersed in a virtual world. Early studies suggest this approach can get the victims of stroke and other trauma back on their feet sooner.

**BUILDING A SAFER FUTURE**
Curtin research supports the Royal Australian Navy in areas such as hydrodynamics, remote sensing and satellite systems, transport logistics, corrosion science, subsea engineering, data modelling and maritime policy. New programs will support a broader range of national and global priorities, including disaster relief and emergency response.

**MANAGING A FRAGILE ECOSYSTEM**
Curtin Malaysia is leading a major research project to better understand the impact of land use on the ecologically rich but threatened Baram River system in Sarawak. The findings will have lasting value, enabling research-informed management of this extraordinary area.

**INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS**

**NASA**
NASA recognises Curtin as the formal representative of Australia’s planetary science community. The partnership allows ground-floor access for researchers in mission concept development and enhanced opportunities for collaboration with NASA teams.

**INNOVATION CENTRAL PERTH**
Innovation Central Perth is a collaboration of Cisco, Curtin, Data61 and Woodside, and is a state-of-the-art collaborative community developing ingenious solutions for cloud, analytics and Internet of Things network platforms.
ENTRY PATHWAYS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

If you don’t meet our minimum entry requirements, you may complete a program at Curtin English, Curtin College or both. These pathways enable you to study at a number of different levels and progress to an undergraduate or postgraduate course at Curtin. Curtin English and Curtin College are located at Curtin’s main campus in Perth, giving you access to University facilities and support services.

CURTIN ENGLISH
Your Curtin English course can be packaged together with your chosen undergraduate, postgraduate or diploma program to streamline your enrolment and visa application process. Curtin English is accredited by the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) and quality assured by the National English Language Teaching Accreditation Scheme (NELAS).

THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE BRIDGING SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship covers the cost of 10 weeks’ English tuition, which may be all you need to meet the requirements of your Curtin University course.
To find out more about pathways and start dates, visit curtin.edu/int-english

CURTIN COLLEGE
Curtin College offers university degree transfer programs across a range of disciplines. These include commerce, information technology, built environment, arts and creative industries, engineering, health sciences and social sciences.
Eligible Curtin College graduates will be offered entry into the second year of the corresponding bachelor degree at Curtin University.
curtin.edu/int-curtincollege

SCHOLARSHIPS*
A scholarship provides valuable support to help make your study and travel dreams a reality.
There are a number of scholarships available to eligible international applicants, provided by Curtin and the Australian Government.

CURTIN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS
We strive to help high achieving students around the world pursue their ambition and gain a tertiary education.

You may be eligible for...

- an Alumni and Family Scholarship, if you have a close relative who is a student or graduate of Curtin.
- a Merit Scholarship, if you are a high achieving student from an eligible country.
- an Australian Year 12 Scholarship, if you have completed an Australian high school qualification in Australia or overseas.

AUSTRALIA AWARDS
Australia Awards Scholarships, Australia Awards Fellowships and Endeavour Scholarships are funded by the Australian Federal Government.

You may be eligible for...

- an Australia Awards Scholarship, if you are from an eligible developing country and wish to contribute to the development of your country on your return.
- an Australia Awards Fellowship, if you are a leader or mid-career professional from a developing country.
- an Endeavour Scholarship or Fellowship, if you are from the Asia-Pacific Region, Middle East, Europe or the Americas.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS
Many more scholarships are offered through Curtin’s industry partners, for a range of different courses, with different key requirements, eligibility criteria, application procedures and closing dates.
For a full list of available scholarships and all the relevant details, visit scholarships.curtin.edu.au.

HOW TO APPLY

The following information is relevant to you if you are applying directly to Curtin for an undergraduate or postgraduate course. If you are using the services of a Curtin registered agent, you should lodge your application via the agent and contact them for any queries throughout the admission process.
Incomplete applications may cause delay in processing time.

1. APPLY
Visit: curtin.edu/int-international
Note: Students applying to study doctoral and master degrees by research or doctoral degrees by coursework should refer to curtin.edu/int-research

2. AWAIT YOUR OFFER
Assessment of your application takes two to four weeks.
If we require more documents to assess your application, we will be notified from you. Assessment of your application will be delayed until we receive these documents.

CREDIT FOR RECOGNISED LEARNING
We will not be able to assess credit for recognised learning (CRL) for previous studies without certified copies of all your academic transcripts / statement of marks and award certificates to date.
CRL is granted at the discretion of the School/ Faculty.

3. RECEIVE YOUR OFFER
If your application is successful, you will receive an offer package containing:
- a Letter of Offer
- a Simplified Student Visa Framework form (if applicable)
- an Acceptance of Offer form
- a Payment Options form
- the Terms of Offer
- an International Student Refund Agreement flyer
- Curtin’s Pre-departure Guide
- Curtin Housing Services flyer
- Overseas Student Health Cover (DSSC) information

4. ACCEPT YOUR OFFER
When you receive your offer package, carefully review your Letter of Offer and make sure your name, course title and semester details are correct.
Once you meet all the conditions on your Letter of Offer, submit the Acceptance of Offer form along with your deposit for tuition fees, the Overseas Student Health Cover fee and a photocopy of your passport details page.

Students under 18 years of age
If you will be under 18 years old when you start your studies at Curtin, you will need to nominate an approved care, who will have responsibility for your welfare in Australia until you turn 18, after which you are considered an adult by Australian law. You will also need to complete a local carer form and other documentation required by the relevant Australian authorities when you apply for your Australian student visa. Visit immi.gov.au for more details.

Note: The documentation required for students aged under 18 years old can take up to six weeks to process. If the correct documentation is not provided, you will not be able to enrol at Curtin.

5. APPLY FOR YOUR VISA
You will need to apply for your student visa after receiving your electronic Confirmation of Enrolment, which will be sent to you via email.
The duration of your student visa will vary depending on your course. Contact the Department of Home Affairs to find out more about the visa application process.

homeaffairs.gov.au
StudyPerth represents and promotes Western Australia’s internationally recognised education sector by conducting a wide range of profile-raising and marketing activities throughout the world. It is a unique consortium of 32 universities, colleges and schools in Perth which provide education services to the international community.

The Australian Technology Network of Universities (ATN) brings together five of the most innovative and enterprising universities in Australia. The ATN is recognised as a global leader of a new generation of universities focused on industry collaboration, real-world research with real-world impact and produce work-ready graduates to become global thinkers in business and the community.