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The College of William & Mary**



Adelaide Summer Handbook

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Visa Information and Budgeting

Travel Documents

Passports

You should apply as early as possible before departure to secure your passport through a Passport Agency (found in major cities), a local issuing office, a Federal or State Court House, or a Class I Post Office. Start the process early so that there will be plenty of time to resolve any problems that may arise. If you will be using your current passport, make sure that it is good for six months after your return to the U.S. If it is not, you will need to renew it.

Guidelines on renewing your passport or applying for a new one can be found at:

<https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports.html>

Visa

All visitors to Australia who are not Australian citizens will need a visa to enter the country. Citizens of the following countries are eligible to apply for the Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) visa: Brunei, Canada, Hong Kong (SAR), Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, South Korea, and the USA. An ETA provides authorization to travel and enter Australia and is electronically linked to your passport. It is for short term stays for tourism or business visitor activities. You are eligible for the tourist visa, as tourists are able to engage in studies, as long as they are under 3 months in length. If you plan on staying after the program ends to continue your studies in Australia, you will need to apply for a separate student visa. The ETA is \$20 AUD at this time. Students of other countries may apply for a tourist visa (\$130 AUD). Students are encouraged to go to this website for information about the ETA: <https://www.eta.immi.gov.au/ETA/etas.jsp> or to visit here for further visa information: <http://www.border.gov.au/> Students are also able to call the Australian Government Department of Immigration and Border Protection for more information at this number M-F 10am to 5pm EST: +1 (613) 238-1040. Please note that they are located in Canada. There is no number provided for within the US.



Non-US passport holders need to check with the Australian consulate as soon as possible about Visa requirements. More information is available at <http://www.border.gov.au/> and you can contact the Australian Government Department of Immigration and Border Protection for more information at this number M-F 10am to 5pm EST: 1 – 613 – 238 – 1040. Please note that they are located in Canada. There is no number provided for within the US.

Budget

Your budget for incidental expenses will depend on your personal taste/extravagance and the amount of independent travel you intend to do before or after the program.

The program fee covers most of your necessary expenses: tuition, housing, and transportation and entrance fees for program excursions. You are responsible for your round trip airfare to Adelaide, most meals, incidentals, laundry, personal expenditures and any additional travel. Entertainment, travel and incidentals during the weeks of the program may vary greatly with individual tastes. You should expect to budget around one and a half times the amount you normally spend at home per week, or roughly \$175-\$225 per week, keeping in mind that expenditures will depend largely on your own spending habits and plans to travel.

Traveling to Adelaide

NOTE: You are responsible for your own travel arrangements to and from Australia

Airport Pick-Up

You are responsible for your flight arrangements to and from Adelaide. Your accommodations will be available from May 22nd. The Program Director will contact students later about specific arrival times and airport pick-up plans. This means for most students, leaving the US on May 20th or May 21st (depending on the length and location of your layover) in order to arrive on the 22nd (you lose a day crossing the International Dateline). Please carefully check your flight itinerary before purchase to ensure that you are arriving on the 22nd. The program officially ends June 26th (i.e., you will need to leave by that date or make arrangements for your own housing for that night and beyond). Please notify the Program Director immediately if your travel plans change or your flights unexpectedly change.

From the Airport to your housing: Students will be met at Adelaide airport by the Program Director who will arrange for taxi travel for the short distance from the airport to your downtown accommodation.

Please be aware that you will not be able to find a direct flight from the US to Adelaide and that your plans are likely to involve two if not three layovers. Be sure that you have entered your complete flight into the GEO's application portal so that those waiting for you in Adelaide may be able to check on any potential delays that you may have incurred along the way. Also, dress comfortably for the long hauls, and make sure to move around periodically during your trans-oceanic flight.

Immigration

Give yourself at least 2 hours to go through Customs and Immigration in Australia (and maybe 3 hours to allow time to get to your connecting flight because of a change in airport). You will probably have free time, but every so often the lines are incredibly long and slow. Once you check your bags in the States (even if you are flying to make a connection before you fly to Australia), you will not have to retrieve your bag until you disembark the plane in Australia. Of course, always check this policy before you go. On your flight, you will be given an arrival form to fill out and give to customs; make sure you have the address of your accommodation in Adelaide handy, as you will need it to fill out the form.

Once in Sydney/Melbourne, you will have to pass through customs and make your connection to Adelaide. This can be stressful, but here's a step-by-step guide of how the process works:

- Disembark the plane and proceed through passport control. Don't worry about missing it, everyone from your flight will be heading to the same place. This is where you get your visa checked out and your passport stamped. They will look at your arrival form and mark it if necessary. Remember that you are not coming to study in Australia (like you would be if coming for a full semester or year abroad) but rather you are coming on a study trip from your university in the United States.
- Collect your bags at baggage claim. You **MUST** have your bags to pass through customs and to recheck on the other side.
- Move to customs. They may ask you a few questions (e.g., "Do you have any fresh fruit?"), then will check and collect your arrival form.
- Proceed to the transfer desk of the airline you're flying to Adelaide (you may need to use transport to change terminals and airports, the transfer trip can at times take at least 30 minutes, so make sure that you leave yourself time when booking flights). Check your bags, and then go to your gate. You may or may not have to pass through security again.

Coursework

You will receive information on what materials you will need at your program orientation. **Be sure that you arrange to purchase your textbooks and other materials (if applicable) before you leave the campus at the end of the Spring Semester.** Plan to read as many of your texts as possible before you leave the United States consistent with an individual professor's instructions. Check with the professor of your courses for his/her particular suggestions.

During your stay in Adelaide, you will study at:

The University of Adelaide

The University of Adelaide (student body: circa 25,000), established in 1874, is among Australia's leading universities. It consistently ranks among the top 1% of universities worldwide. The University of Adelaide has a pretty campus located in the city close to the shopping, arts, and nightlife areas of Adelaide. The University of Adelaide will be in session during your stay.



Excursions & Activities

Official and Personal Travel Options

The Adelaide program will include local field trips to locations that relate directly to these fields of study, such as visits to the Living Kurna Aboriginal Cultural Center. Possible excursions could include the Migration Museum, the Adelaide Courts, the Adelaide Central markets, and the Cleland Conservation Park. Overnight excursions may include Kangaroo Island, a large island off the coast of South Australia noted for its native animals and vegetation, and Wilpena Pound, a natural amphitheater of mountains that is an important historical location for the indigenous aboriginal people of Australia.



Living in Adelaide

Housing

Students will be housed at off-campus, self-catering apartments near the main University of Adelaide campus and within close reach of shopping, dining, and public transport. Students will be housed in double rooms with shared bath, living room, and kitchen area. Apartments are serviced and each have their own laundry appliances. The hotel also provides free Wi-Fi access, cable TV, and 24 hour reception desk access.

Meals

Students will have self-catering kitchens in their apartment for meals, and the nearby Adelaide Central Market provides fresh food daily for students to purchase. Supermarkets are also located within the city's main shopping area, a short walk from the apartments, and Adelaide is known for its many cheap dining options, with abundant Asian and Mediterranean food choices available. Students will be responsible for the majority of their meals, but some meals each week during the program will be covered as part of excursions and social events.

Communication

The GEO provides local cell phones for all students on William & Mary summer programs with *homestays*. Students that are not participating in a program with a homestay are responsible for researching and arranging their communication plan.

PLACING INTERNATIONAL PHONE CALLS

See the “Handy Information” section for a time zone conversion chart before you call!

Calling Adelaide from the United States: Dial 011 + 61 + Area Code (Adelaide’s is 8) + Local Phone Number.

Calling the United States from Adelaide: Dial 0011+1+area code + phone number.

Emergency Numbers

Police: 000 or 112

Medical Emergencies: 000 or 112

Fire: 000 or 112

Health & Safety

Immunization

- Australia does not require any vaccines or immunizations to enter the country; however, you should be up to date on your routine vaccinations. You are encouraged to consult the Center for Disease Control to verify which vaccinations are recommended for prolonged stay in Australia: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/australia>
- Remember to consider any additional travels you might want to undertake while abroad for the summer. If you prefer to talk to someone in person about the currently recommended immunizations, you can call Travel Health of Williamsburg at (757) 220-9008 (located at 287 McLaws Circle), or consult with a physician in your area who has some expertise concerning immunizations for international travel.

Medications

- Please remember that, while abroad, it is advisable to consistently follow your doctor's specific medication instructions and continue taking any medications you are prescribed. Any changes to medication levels should only be undertaken in direct consultation with the prescribing doctor. While travel abroad always has the potential to influence changes, good or bad, in your physical and mental health, do not assume that temporary variations in your condition are indicative of longer lasting changes. If you feel that an alteration in any prescribed medication levels may be warranted, consult a medical professional before making any changes.

Travel & Country Information

We encourage all students to research their study abroad destination. The State Department has important information available online. Be sure to read up on Australian history, culture, and current events before your arrival, as well. Knowing as much as possible about where you are going will not only make you more comfortable during your time in the country, but will also allow you to talk more knowledgeably with your new friends and teachers.

Adelaide

ADELAIDE (population of 1.23 million) is the capital city of South Australia and is located on the southeastern coast of the continent. Adelaide has a Mediterranean climate with hot, dry summers and mild winters. The city is a popular holiday destination with wonderful beaches nearby. The Australian outback can also be experienced after a short drive towards the central region of Australia. The University of Adelaide is located in the heart of the city, next to parklands and the business/dining/shopping districts. The University of Adelaide is a large public university established in 1874 and is one of the oldest institutions in Australia. There are 25,000 students in total at the university. The university is close to many of the attractions of the city, including several state museums, the state library, state parliament buildings, parklands, the Adelaide Zoo, concert center, sports stadium, and botanical gardens.



CONTACT INFORMATION

Reves Center Contacts

You may call the Reves Center and its advisors at the numbers below between 8am and 5pm (Virginia time), Monday through Friday. In case of an emergency that falls outside of these times, please call William & Mary Campus Police at (757) 221-4596. Campus police will then forward your call to the correct person or office.

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