

Study

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QUEENSLAND AUSTRALIA



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## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT **FACT SHEET**

Whether you are coming to Australia to study full time, accompanying a student as their guardian, or to complete professional or workplace-based training, there are a variety of options and pathways for international students to study in Noosa, Australia. As one of Australia's favourite tourism destinations, Noosa, with its stunning beaches, seemingly endless World Surfing Reserve waves, tropical National parks, up-close encounters with native wildlife, and diverse accommodation is an attractive choice for those thinking of heading 'Down Under.' Noosa's vibrant tourism and hospitality industry offers a wide range of part-time employment opportunities in resorts, hotels, award winning restaurants, cafes and bars, so you can afford to make the most of the local lifestyle!

*Step outside the everyday classroom.*



## BEFORE YOU TRAVEL - YOU'LL NEED A VISA

There are a range of Visas to consider depending on your needs:

- **Student Visa (Subclass 500)** - this visa includes studying on-shore in Australia for a maximum of five years. Types of study included in this visa are: independent English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students, primary and secondary schools, secondary school exchange program, vocational education and training, higher education, postgraduate research, non-award courses, and international students sponsored by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Defense. Processing times and costs vary, starting costs are AUD \$620. For eligibility criteria and how to apply click [here](#)
- **Student Guardian Visa (Subclass 590)** - this visa is reserved for guardians accompanying a child, under the age of 18, who holds a student visa. Under this visa the guardian can study English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students for 20 hours per week, or study for up to three months. The cost to apply starts at AUD \$620. For eligibility criteria and how to apply click [here](#)
- **Training Visa (Subclass 407)** - this visa enables individuals to participate in workplace-based occupational training activities to improve their skills that relate to their line of work, area, field of expertise or area of tertiary study through professional development training programs in Australia. Application costs start at AUD \$310 and can allow individuals to stay in Australia for up to 2 years. For eligibility criteria and how to apply please click [here](#)

## STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

- **Schools** - more than 16 private, public and independent secondary schools welcome international students every year and offer diverse education and training pathways
- **Elicos Providers** - if you're looking to study English as a second language or would like to learn a new trade or occupational skill, Noosa has plenty of options on offer including award-winning, Lexis English language school with its Noosa campus.
- **Vocational Education and Training (VET)**- Noosa and the Sunshine Coast region offers a wide range of registered training organisations, including TAFE Queensland.
- **Study Tours** - tailored, short-term study tours are ideal for overseas students looking to Noosa's nature and UNESCO biosphere status for inspiration. Programs can combine education, culture and tourism exchange - contact Study Noosa to discuss your requirements.

## LEVELS OF STUDY

SCHOOL	Primary & Secondary schools Pathways programs to university and VET courses
TERTIARY	Associate Degree Bachelor's Degree Pre-Masters Program Masters Degree Graduate Certificates & Diplomas MBA Doctorate Degree (PHD)
ELICOS	English language courses
CAREER BASED VOCATIONAL	- Certificates - 1-4 - Diplomas, Advanced & Graduate Diplomas - Professional Qualifications

## STARTING YOUR JOURNEY TO #STUDYNOOSA

Before applying to study in Noosa, make sure you understand basic, academic and visa entry requirements. Entry requirements can include health insurance, academic and English language proficiency and you may need test results from an English language test. Levels vary, so check your preferred institution's website.

**Academic requirements** vary depending on your area of study:

- **Higher Education Postgraduate Course** - a minimum of one undergraduate degree & relevant work experience or research ability may also be considered
- **Higher Undergraduate Courses** - an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate of Education or year 12 international equivalent, more specific prerequisites may be required, so read the course information carefully
- **Vocational education and training (VET)** - work experience or previous study in specific subjects, most do not require an entrance exam.
- **Schools** - academic ability and performance requirements vary
- **English Language Course** - vary per institution and level of English the course demands.

If you do not meet Australian high school qualifications, bridging study is a way for you to meet entry requirements by taking a foundation course from a higher education institution that are usually just a year long. These courses will prepare you with the skills necessary to enter an undergraduate course at a higher education institution or university.



**Visa Requirements** - typical requirements for a student visa include:

- Electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE) certificate from your chosen institution
- Fulfillment of the [Genuine Temporary Entrant requirement](#).
- Demonstrate the required level of English Language proficiency
- Present confirmation of receiving [Overseas Student Health Cover](#)
- Provide evidence that you have sufficient funds for course fees, living costs and airfares.

To start your **application process** you first need to apply for admission to an institution. Applications can be downloaded directly from the education providers website. Critical factors include:

- **supporting documents** [evidence of your English language proficiency; certificates or documents translated into English to verify previous work experience, qualifications or study]
- **A visa to study in Australia.** This [link](#) will connect you to the Australian government of Home Affairs student visa questionnaire to ensure you apply for the correct visa
- **A 'Letter of Offer'** – from your chosen Australian education provider to be signed and returned by you to accept the offer. This letter is a contract outlining courses, fees, refund policy, and enrollment conditions. It includes important details, so read carefully to understand your rights.
- **Electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE)** is sent once you accept your Letter of Offer and pay the deposit. It explains course duration, fees and start date. You must have eCoE details to complete your Visa application.

## NEED HELP?

Need assistance with applications, visas or living arrangements? An education agent can help you with your study options and applications. Most schools have an agent they work with and are required by law to list every education agent representing them around the world. See your institution's website for a list of contracted agents. Make sure you do your research to [avoid any risk of a problem occurring with an agent](#). By law, Education agents cannot give migration advice without being a Registered Migration Agent. For migration advice and to avoid scams by fake migration agents, [use this government resource to find an agent](#) and get help.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The Australian Government, education providers and other institutions offer a range of scholarships and financial aid options for international students. Click [here](#) for details.

## YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS

As an international student in Australia your rights are protected by Australian Law. To ensure quality education and standards all courses offered to international students are required by the Australian Government to be registered through CRICOS. Use this resource to find a [registered Queensland Institution](#) in Noosa. If at any point you need to file a complaint about your education, training institution, school, university or TAFE in Australia contact the [Queensland Ombudsman](#).

## STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

**Homestay** is a great way for international students to get to know the locals, experience the Noosa way of life and speak English every day. For more information visit:

[www.homestaynetwork.org](http://www.homestaynetwork.org), <http://www.studentaccommodationone.com> and [Lexis English](#)

**Rent** – a range of rental accommodation options are available for students in Noosa from rooms, studios, houses, apartments, townhouses, villas or units which can be shared with fellow students. Popular sites for rental accommodation in Noosa are: [www.realestate.com.au](http://www.realestate.com.au), [www.domain.com.au](http://www.domain.com.au) and [www.flatmates.com.au](http://www.flatmates.com.au)

## IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH & YOUR SURF SKILLS!

Study in Noosa and you'll get the chance to improve your English skills. Even though English is the official language spoken in Australia, we are a multicultural bunch. In many of our major cities and university campuses, you'll find large multi-cultural communities, where you can speak your own language. As Noosa is much smaller, so you'll be guaranteed to make friends with an Aussie and learn how to speak the local lingo! Almost as important as talking like a local is surfing like one! Noosa has a long heritage of surfing and is recognised as a World Surfing Reserve with world class waves. With a variety of surf breaks to suit all skill levels, plenty of board hires and lessons beachside, you don't have to worry about lugging gear around or struggling to teach yourself – you can even learn from a world surfing champion.

Stay in touch with our social media for latest news, updates, pathways to study and Noosa lifestyle with expert advice from our education and training providers.

