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# EXPERIENCE **STUDY** LIVE





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**MESSAGE FROM THE VICE CHANCELLOR**



Learning through higher education is a wonderful privilege. It is a highly rewarding endeavour that will open new opportunities and change your life for the better.

We are proud of our reputation for teaching excellence, where we celebrate student diversity, ground-breaking education initiatives and a supportive and inclusive learning environment.

As a University, we have a pivotal role in preparing our graduates for a future in which passion and commitment to learning will stand them in good stead as they navigate their careers, where agility, adaptability and creativity are essential for success.

In an ever-growing global society that is full of possibility, we strive to equip every graduate with the transferable skills to work industriously across a range of disciplines and cultures.

Through providing a high-quality educational experience, we seek to empower students, leading our graduates to become innovators who are prepared for their future careers and sought after by employers.

With substantial professional experience informing their teaching practices, our first-rate academic educators are enhancing student learning through engaging students in hands-on practical experience and career-defining theoretical knowledge.

For all students, however, their time at Murdoch is also about personal growth. Full of new experiences and forming life-long connections, becoming part of our prosperous University community means you will get to experience the best of what Australia has to offer, in a supportive learning environment.

We at Murdoch University are proud of who we are and what we have to offer – a place where people from all over the world come together to make their mark, make a difference, overcome challenges and open their minds to new ways of thinking.

We look forward to welcoming you to Murdoch University. Your new life journey starts today.

With kind regards,

**Professor Eeva Leinonen**  
**Vice Chancellor**  
**Murdoch University**



# MURDOCH

**Having your own ideas and thoughts is what makes you, you. Sometimes, however, you need to embark on an adventure that allows you to step back from what has become your normal and challenge the idea of ordinary.**

Stepping out of your comfort zone and forcing yourself to land on your own two feet is a great way to grow, both personally and professionally, and what better way to do that than with a semester or two abroad at Murdoch!

Welcoming new students into our ever-growing global community, we are proud to bring pioneering minds together to celebrate education, diversity and innovation.

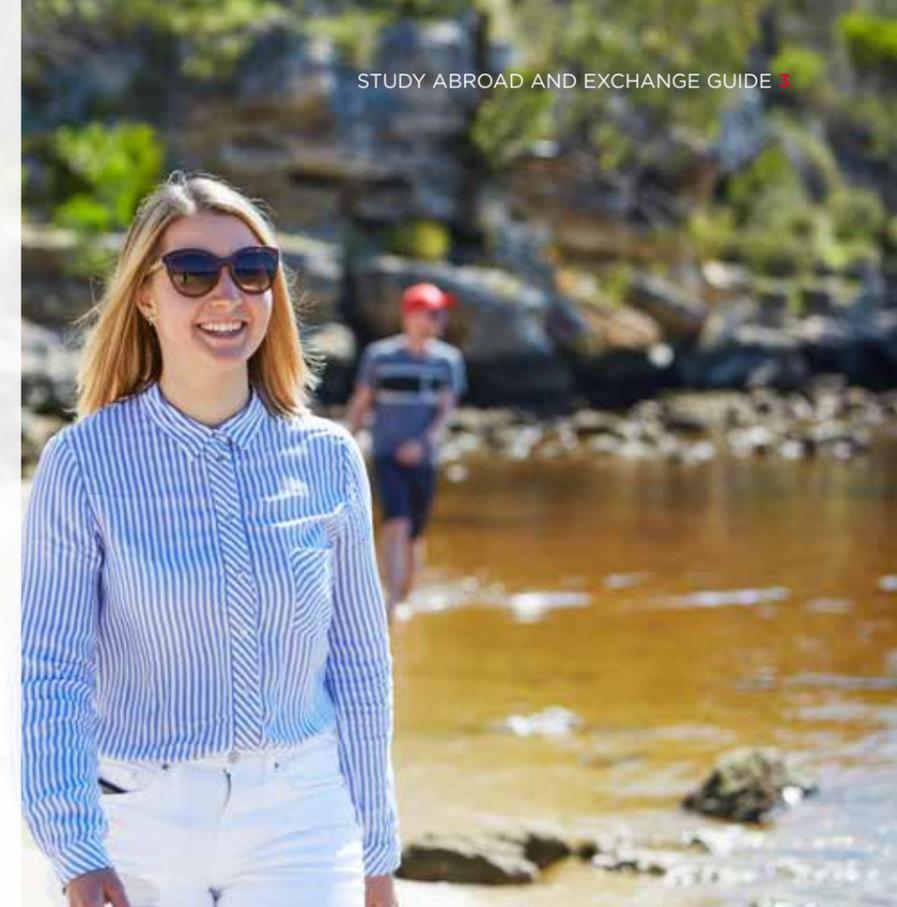
Having been at the forefront of Australian research for more than 40 years, to study at Murdoch is to be surrounded by some of the world's most progressive thinkers, people who are not just challenging conventional wisdom and tackling the world's big questions, but finding answers.

Our forward-thinking students are answering tomorrow's questions, today. Are you ready to join them?

[murdoch.edu.au](http://murdoch.edu.au)

## Experience

- 1. Get the best of both worlds:**  
Being located in the Western Australian suburb of Murdoch, you will get to experience the perfect combination of native Australian bush environment, only seconds from bustling city life. Prefer to be near the water? That's not a problem either, as Murdoch is only a short bus ride to a range of world-renowned beaches and the tranquil Swan River.
- 2. Gateway to the world:**  
Not only does Perth share the same time zone as 60% of the world, but it is the only Australian city to offer direct flights to Europe, making it easy for you to travel, explore and see the world while studying at Murdoch!
- 3. Centre of all the WA action:**  
Located just south of the Perth CBD, our Perth campus offers great access to neighbouring coastal towns, such as the historic port city of Fremantle, and the greater Western Australian region - perfect for weekend getaways.



## Live

- 1. Live like the Aussies live:**  
As one of the largest university campuses in Australia, our Perth campus boasts more than 227 hectares of native Australian bushland, so you can have the ultimate Australian experience as you study alongside a range of native Australian flora and fauna.
- 2. Study in the sunniest city in Australia:**  
With more daylight hours a year than even the Sunshine Coast, studying at Murdoch means you will have some of the best weather in all of Australia to make the most of your Study Abroad and Exchange experience.
- 3. Everything at your doorstep:**  
With a range of accommodation options on campus, your classes will be right on your doorstep, where you will also have access to public transport, a range of local shops and on-campus amenities.

## Study

- 1. Study your way:**  
With the ability to study a wide range of subjects from across our eight Study Areas, as a Murdoch Study Abroad and Exchange student you can choose subjects that are tailored towards your chosen degree, or expand your expertise by exploring subjects in an entirely new field of study.
- 2. Get a global perspective:**  
Murdoch is ranked in the Top 75 Young Universities in the World<sup>1</sup>, meaning you will be studying at a globally recognised institution with an international reputation for excellence.
- 3. Unique learning experience:**  
At Murdoch, you will explore new ways of thinking, discover different perspectives and make a difference by applying cutting-edge theory with real-world experiences to ensure you're ready for a successful career.

<sup>1</sup>The Times Higher Education Young Universities Ranking 2018



# EXPERIENCE

# WESTERN AUSTRALIA



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To experience, is to open yourself up to new opportunities, to say yes to change, to embrace the unknown. To experience, is not to spend your days wishing you had, but to spend them knowing you did.

**So get ready, because with Murdoch, your once in a lifetime experience starts today.**



YOUR  
MURDOCH

# STUDY ABROAD AND EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE

**More than just an opportunity to study in a new country, choosing Murdoch's Study Abroad and Exchange program means you are choosing to experience the best of what education, Australia and life has to offer.**

Murdoch believes in offering our students every opportunity to explore, grow and develop as forward-thinking individuals. With experience the driving force behind all of our teaching practices, you will not only learn through the experience of our leading-academics, but through the experiences you gain as a Murdoch Study Abroad and Exchange student.

Experiencing the world, new cultures and different perspectives is what makes for an enriching and well-lived life. Through Murdoch's Study Abroad and Exchange program, you will have the opportunity to:

- ▶ Spend one or two semesters studying in sunny Western Australia at Murdoch's Perth campus;
- ▶ Earn academic credit points, which can be transferred back to your home university degree;
- ▶ Choose subjects to study from across all of Murdoch's eight Study Areas;
- ▶ Explore Western Australia with other Study Abroad and Exchange students with one (or more) of Murdoch's unique West Australian tours;
- ▶ Enjoy all that Australia has to offer with a wide variety of social events and activities designed specifically for you and other Study Abroad and Exchange students.



## Murdoch University is located in Perth, Western Australia – the 7th ‘most liveable’ city in the world.

Home to more than 2.5 million residents, Western Australia boasts some of the best coastlines in Australia. From the crystal-clear waters of the Ningaloo Reef, to the awe-inspiring Karri Forests of the South-West, Western Australia has it all.

Located on the shores of the Swan River, Perth’s warm, dry summers and cool, temperate winters make for a great destination all year round. Offering a large shopping district with a cosmopolitan mix of cafes, restaurants, pubs and thriving nightlife, Perth City is suitable for students from all walks of life.

Murdoch’s Perth campus is located approximately 15 minutes from both the historic port-city of Fremantle and bustling City of Perth, making it easy for our Study Abroad and Exchange students to spend their free time exploring and participating in a range of activities and events.

For those wishing to stay a bit closer to home, why not spend some time exploring our campus? With a range of cafes, eateries, sporting facilities and bush walks, our Perth campus is one of the largest university campuses in Australia, with more than 227 hectares of natural bush environment and farmland.

**7TH**   
**MOST LIVEABLE CITY IN THE WORLD**

The Economist Global Liveability Ranking 2017  
 For the past 13 years Perth has been ranked in the Top 10 most liveable cities, coming in at #7 in 2017.

**THE MOST AFFORDABLE CITY IN AUSTRALIA** 

The Economist Intelligence Unit, Worldwide Cost of Living Survey 2017  
 Life in Perth is cheaper than all other major Australian cities, including Sydney and Melbourne!

**RANKED IN THE TOP 50**

**STUDENT CITIES IN THE WORLD**  
 QS, Best Student Cities 2017

  
**THE SUNNIEST CITY IN AUSTRALIA**  
 Bureau of Meteorology

**MEDITERRANEAN CLIMATE:**  
**24.7°C**  
 AVERAGE SUMMER TEMPERATURES

**12°C**  
 AVERAGE WINTER TEMPERATURES

## Perth - the gateway to the world

Not only does Perth share the same time zone as 60% of the world, but it is the only Australian city to offer direct flights to Europe:

- ↖ London (17 hours)
- Sydney (3.5 hours)
- Melbourne (3 hours)
- ↑ Bali (3.5 hours)
- ↖ Bangkok (7 hours)
- ↖ Singapore (5 hours)
- ↖ Jakarta (4 hours)
- ↖ Kuala Lumpur (5.5 hours)
- ↑ Hong Kong (8 hours)
- ↖ Dubai (14 hours)



# PERTH EXPERIENCE



## ROTTNEST ISLAND

Adventurers unite, because this is one WA location you do not want to miss! Just 20km off the coast of Perth, Rottnest Island is the perfect destination for a day away from study or a longer island vacation. Easily accessible by ferry, Rottnest is unique in that cars are completely banned from the island, with visitors making the most of their time on this tropical oasis by cycling, walking or segwaying along the many scenic paths.

Home to one of the friendliest locals you will find in Western Australia, the Quokka, Rottnest boasts a variety of activities for those looking for some much needed rest and relaxation, to adrenaline junkies looking for their next high. With a range of accommodation options, places to eat and drink and beaches galore, Rottnest Island is a must see destination during your time in Perth.



Photo credit: Tourism Western Australia



## KINGS PARK

Pack a picnic, grab your camera and get those hiking shoes on, because now is your chance explore one of the world's largest and most beautiful inner-city parks. Even bigger than New York City's Central Park, King's Park is a must see with over 300 different species of wildflowers, breathtaking views of Perth City and the Swan River, a range of hiking trails and the perfect setting for studying in the sun with friends.

## FREMANTLE

The historic port-city of Fremantle is renowned for its laid-back attitude, vibrant cappuccino strip and internationally renowned cafes and restaurants. Alive with activity, this bustling city is just a short bus ride from Murdoch's Perth campus and makes for a great location to study, unwind or catch-up with friends.

Bursting with cafes, restaurants, shopping centres and bars, Fremantle has everything a student could want, with a thriving nightlife scene, pristine beaches, riverside access and parks galore. With so much to see and do, you will be coming back again and again.

## THE BUCKET LIST

### Rottnest Island

- Quokka selfie
- Sunset swim or snorkel at Fays Bay

### Cottesloe Beach

- Take a swim (between the flags)
- Get yourself some fish and chips (an Australian favourite) and take in a famous WA sunset

### Kings Park

- Visit the 'tree-top' walk and take in the stunning views
- See Perth by night and take in the breathtaking views of the city lights

### Fremantle

- Get yourself a nice, cold drink from Little Creatures Brewery
- Visit the Fremantle Markets and grab a bargain

### Northbridge

- Visit one of the many hip cocktail bars
- Take in some art at the Perth Institute of Contemporary Art or Art Gallery of Western Australia

### The Swan Valley

- Get a photo with the friendly kangaroos and koalas at Caversham Wildlife Park
- Indulge your sweet tooth at the two deluxe chocolatiers

### Margaret River

- Hop on one of the daily wine tour buses and taste some of the best food and wine in the world
- Pack a tent, gather some friends and spend the weekend camping at one of the many forest retreats

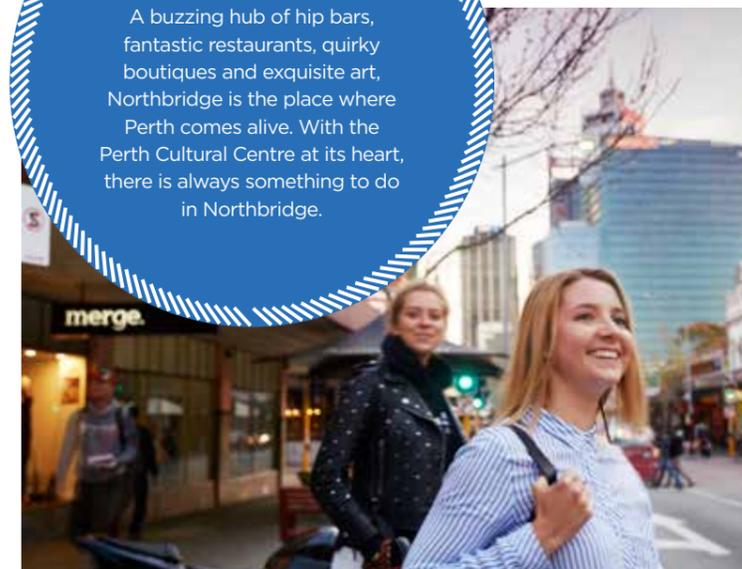


## COTTESLOE BEACH

Boasting over a kilometre of pristine white sand and turquoise water, Cottesloe Beach is one of Perth's most popular beach destinations. Surrounded by cafes and restaurants, Cottesloe is the perfect spot to grab a coffee and watch the waves, or take a towel and relax in the sun in-between diving into the cooling waters.

## NORTHBRIDGE

A buzzing hub of hip bars, fantastic restaurants, quirky boutiques and exquisite art, Northbridge is the place where Perth comes alive. With the Perth Cultural Centre at its heart, there is always something to do in Northbridge.



## SWAN VALLEY & MARGARET RIVER

The Swan Valley is a spectacular wine region, only 25 short minutes from Perth, featuring world-famous wineries, craft breweries, delicious chocolatiers, artisanal crafts and more. In addition to the beautiful food and wine, the Swan Valley also provides breathtaking scenery, a rich history and a range of authentically Australian experiences.

Just a three hour drive from Perth, Margaret River is the perfect 'long weekend' destination. With world-class wineries, stunning beaches, extensive caves, picturesque lighthouses, country pubs and award-winning restaurants, you won't be short on things to do.



**10  
DAYS  
4,000  
KILOMETRES**

1 ULTIMATE AUSTRALIAN EXPERIENCE

# NORTH WEST TRIP

As a Murdoch Study Abroad and Exchange student, you will get to experience all that outback Australia has to offer with the Murdoch University North West trip.

Travelling by bus through the rugged Australian terrain, you will venture into the heart of the North West of Australia as you explore some of Western Australia's world-famous destinations.

## The Pilbara

The region you will be exploring while on the North West trip is known as the Pilbara. While rugged, hot and dusty, the Pilbara will mesmerise you with its beauty and breathtaking landscape. The mountainous outcrops that populate the region are some of the oldest in with world, dating back nearly two billion years and stretching over 500,000 kilometres. Home to more than 700 historic Indigenous archaeological sites and over 10,000 rock engravings, the Pilbara is synonymous with Australian history. While here, keep an eye out for the many species of native Australian flora and fauna that call the Pilbara home, including rock wallabies, kangaroos and other species found only in Australia.

## Karijini National Park

After experiencing the coast, the North West trip will take you to Western Australia's second largest national park, Karijini National Park. With over two billion years of the Earth's natural history laying in wait, Karijini has been largely untouched by humankind and offers a pristine and unique look into Western Australia's heartland. Remote in location, you will get to descend into ancient gorges, scale some of the oldest rocks on the planet, paddle in crystal-clear waterways and cool off with a swim beneath the various cascading waterfalls.

Photo credit: Tourism Western Australia

## Ningaloo Reef

As part of the North West trip, you will have the opportunity to snorkel the world's largest fringing reef, and another World Heritage listed site, the Ningaloo Reef. More easily accessible than the Great Barrier Reef, and home to as many as 500 species of tropical fish and coral, the Ningaloo Reef spans 260 kilometres in length and runs alongside white sandy beaches and turquoise waters. Teaming with marine animals such as turtles, manta rays, dolphins and humpback whales, the Ningaloo Reef is also home to the migratory gentle giant, the whale shark.

## Shark Bay and Monkey Mia

A major highlight for many students who experience the North West trip is visiting one of the world's twelve Heritage listed regions, the Shark Bay World Heritage area. While here, you will have the opportunity to visit Monkey Mia. Famous for its wild dolphin experience, Monkey Mia is surrounded by rusty red sand dunes, white sandy beaches and water teeming with wildlife. With blue skies and sunshine almost every day of the year, Monkey Mia and Shark Bay are an ideal destination for you to sit back and relax. While here, you will get to meet the Monkey Mia dolphins, a group of five, wild Indo-Pacific Bottlenose dolphins that visit the shallows of Monkey Mia on a daily basis for supervised feedings by local rangers. Monkey Mia is also home to a range of other marine life, including dugongs, turtles, stingrays and sharks, all of which you can easily see swimming through the calm, crystal clear waters.

# SOCIAL PROGRAM

What you experience, the events that unfold and the encounters you have, can redefine everything you thought you knew. That is why, at Murdoch, we want our Study Abroad and Exchange students to have the experience of a lifetime, one that will not only stay with you for years to come, but one that will help you to realise what it truly means to live an exceptional student life.



To help you achieve this, we have developed an extensive and all-inclusive social program for our Study Abroad and Exchange students. With a strong focus on forming long-lasting friendships, the Study Abroad and Exchange social program connects students through a range of cultural events and social activities, helping you make the most of your Australian experience.

**Some of the past experiences our past students have been involved in:**

## Sporting Activities

- ✕ Attend an Australian Football League (AFL) game
- ✕ Indoor rock climbing
- ✕ Surfing lessons

## Social and Cultural

- ✕ Swim with dolphins
- ✕ Didgeridoo lessons
- ✕ Street Art Tour of Perth and Northbridge
- ✕ Trapeze by twilight
- ✕ Fremantle tunnel tour
- ✕ Swan River cruise
- ✕ Perth waterfalls tour
- ✕ Australian movie nights
- ✕ Aboriginal art class

## Day Trips

- ✕ Rottenest Island
- ✕ Caversham Wildlife Park
- ✕ The Pinnacles
- ✕ John Forest National Park

## West Australian Tours

- ✕ North West Trip
- ✕ South West experience

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# MURDOCH

# AREAS



## BUSINESS AND LAW

Murdoch Business, Governance, Law and Criminology courses are ideal for those who dream of making the world a better place, whether that is through smart business, political and legal decisions, or innovative measures to prevent crime.

## HEALTH

Murdoch Health courses are ideal for those students who wish to improve the mental and physical health and wellbeing of our society and the greater global community. Through combining pioneering science practices, with the power of creativity, you will learn new ways of improving patients' lives both in and out of clinical environments.



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## ENGINEERING

Murdoch Engineering courses are ideal for those students who wish to make a real difference in the world, whether that is through developing practical solutions for everyday problems, or creating technologies to build and improve the environment around us.



## SCIENCE

Murdoch science courses are ideal for those who wish to tackle some of the most significant social and scientific challenges of our time; from addressing food shortages, climate change and mental health epidemics, to influencing politics and government.

## TECHNOLOGY

Murdoch Technology courses are ideal for those students who want to use innovation to forge new ways of thinking, working and living; students who want to power creative solutions and contribute to the economic and social well-being of our society.



## TEACHING

Murdoch Teaching courses are ideal for students who want to be innovative educators, empowering change and shaping our future generations to think for themselves.



## SOCIAL AND CULTURAL STUDIES

Murdoch Social and Cultural Studies courses are ideal for those students who want to make a difference and create positive change in the world. If you care about people and want to inspire others, Social and Cultural Studies is your chance to make an impact.



## CREATIVE ARTS AND COMMUNICATION

Murdoch Creative Arts and Communication courses are ideal for those students who want to use the power of creativity and storytelling to challenge the way we think about, look at and inform the world. As a Murdoch student, you will develop an entrepreneurial attitude, where you will cultivate client-based consultation and communication skills, refine your critical thinking and improve your ability to adapt, so you can action your world-changing ideas in the real world.

# RESEARCH AND FACILITIES

To truly let your imagination run free, you need an environment that supports your creativity. An environment that allows you to explore the pressing issues of today, so you can find the ground-breaking answers of tomorrow. To do this, Murdoch has built a contemporary network of real-world learning environments; a collection of facilities, laboratories and simulation suites that provide you with all the resources and practical experiences you need to graduate career-ready.

## Chiropractic Clinic

If you are a Chiropractic student, as you progress through your degree you will learn to treat real patients in our on campus clinic, the Murdoch University Chiropractic Clinic. Housing a rehabilitation centre, physiological therapeutics facility, consulting rooms and a digital radiographic suite, you will get to apply your newly learnt skills across a range of different working environments to ensure you are ready for the working world with sound knowledge in independent and evidence based patient-centred care.

## Engineering Pilot Plant

Our nationally renowned Bayer Pilot Plant is where our Electrical Engineering students get unparalleled hands-on engineering experience, before they even graduate. As Western Australia's only operational engineering pilot plant, this engineer's playground features advanced control systems using a modern industrial data acquisition and control platform, meaning you will graduate career-ready with real-world engineering skills.

## Information Technology labs

Step into the future with our new Information Technology teaching laboratory. Our IT lab is equipped with the latest virtual reality equipment, industrial technologies and a visible data server, which means you will have the freedom to get creative, collaborate with other students, develop your own original concepts and learn from Murdoch's leading academics.

## Launchpad

Located in the Geoffrey Bolton Library, Launchpad provides a creative space where our students have the opportunity to come together with industry partners, future employers, entrepreneurs and the community, to work on collaborative projects, network and build career defining industry connections.

## Law Moot Court

As a Murdoch Law student, you will get to experience all the excitement, thrills and unpredictability of a real-life courtroom with our Herbert Smith Freehills Electronic Moot Court.



Whether you are trying a case or competing against other Law schools from around the world, thanks to the latest video satellite technology, you will be equipped to handle any situation that comes your way.

## Media Arts Centre

Our Media Arts Centre is where creative minds come to explore the power of media-based technologies through our state-of-the-art simulation facilities. Housing industry-standard facilities, which include a digital TV studio, sound stage, control room, audio studio, four radio studios, a newsroom and a number of superbly equipped editing suites, you will graduate career-ready with a range of industry experience under your belt.

## Mind and Body Labs

Our newest lab space is where you can work with researchers, teaching staff and other students to conduct research projects or exercise physiology testing as part of your Psychology or Sports and Exercise Science degree. Our labs include a fitness testing area and DEXA machine, meaning you can learn a range of new skills in how to conduct body fat, bone and muscle mass scanning techniques.

## Nexus Theatre

Murdoch's professional theatre space provides Arts students with a dedicated area to refine their craft in both performance and production practices. Home to some of Western Australia's brightest emerging talents, this venue hosts community, musical, cultural and theatrical events; giving you the opportunity to turn your theoretical knowledge into hands-on practical experience with a range of industry standard work placements.

## Nursing Simulation Suites

Our Mandurah and Perth campuses both offer excellent nursing facilities. In fact, our Perth campus has the newest nursing facility of any university in Western Australia and, in the case of an emergency, can be used as an operational hospital. Our dedicated nursing spaces include fully equipped clinical teaching wards, treatment areas and simulation suites where, as a Nursing student, you will learn how to provide care under the supervision of technical simulation staff who, themselves, are registered nurses.

## Psychology Clinic

Our postgraduate Psychology students have the opportunity to work with real clients in our fully-operational Murdoch



Psychology Clinic. Offering psychological services to the public, which range from baseline assessments to psychological therapy, you will benefit from first-hand experience in dealing with a range of cases and area specialisations.

## Renewable energy facilities

If you are a Renewable Energy student, you will learn from our industry-experts in our state-of-the-art engineering facilities, including an outdoor test area, photovoltaic research equipment and a renewable energy-engineering laboratory, housing a comprehensive range of wind energy industry-standard software.

## SimLab

As an Education student, you can make the most of our unique SimLab to get valuable teaching experience and feedback before you enter a real classroom. As the first university to offer this simulated teaching experience in Australia, SimLab allows you to practice your teaching skills in a virtual classroom environment with avatars who respond in real time to your instructions.

## Sporting facilities

You can make the most of your university experience with our recent \$5.2 million sporting facility upgrade, which includes two synthetic football (soccer) pitches, a cricket oval for summer cricket, new changing rooms, floodlights and spectator seating.

## Sports Science facility

If you are a Sport and Exercise Science student, you will learn in our recently upgraded \$4 million sports science facility. Fitted with the latest equipment, the three specialised laboratories, which include an exercise physiology lab, a performance lab and a rehabilitation, strength and conditioning lab, come complete with a climate and altitude chamber, motion capture systems, 50-metre running track and a fully-equipped gym with Olympic weightlifting facilities.

## Veterinary hospital and working farms

As the only city-based university to offer an on-campus farm, our Veterinary and Animal Science students get unrivalled hands-on experience across a range of industry settings. You can learn from leading industry experts in our on-campus farm, or graduate as a career-ready veterinarian with work placements and guided support in Murdoch's fully-equipped Veterinary Hospital, which comes complete with cancer, equine and dermatology clinics.



# STUDENT SUPPORT



Travelling to a new country to pursue your studies is a big step. Having the courage and conviction to follow your dreams and take your studies to Murdoch means you are already part of our global community of creative and forward-thinking minds that thrive from experiencing the best of what the world has to offer.

However, even our pioneering leaders of tomorrow need help today. That is why at Murdoch, we go above and beyond to provide our Study Abroad and Exchange students with a range of support services that can help you at every stage of your Murdoch journey.

## Study Abroad and Exchange Support team

The Study Abroad and Exchange Support team is your dedicated one-stop-shop for any information or assistance you require in the lead up to, or during, your time studying abroad at Murdoch. Providing you with information regarding admissions, orientation and welfare matters while you are at Murdoch, the Study Abroad and Exchange Support team can also assist you with:

- ▶ Airport transfer information
- ▶ Accommodation inquiries
- ▶ A comprehensive orientation program
- ▶ Organisation of social events and excursions such as the North West trip

## Student Support team

The Student Support team is based in the Student Centre and looks after international students from their first day at Murdoch to their last. Students can come to Student Support with absolutely any issue they are having and the Student Support team will either help the student directly or refer them to someone who can better assist them, such as the school health services, which includes doctors, psychologists and counsellors, as well as visa or career advisors.

## Equity and Social Inclusion Office

The Equity and Social Inclusion Office seeks to ensure the student experience at Murdoch University is free of discrimination and that all students are provided with an equal opportunity. The Equity and Social Inclusion Office coordinates a range of services for students including disability services, language and cultural exchange programs, equity complaints and information on your responsibilities and rights as a Murdoch student.

## Support for Learning

The Support for Learning team brings together the areas of academic staff development, work-integrated learning, educational technologies, learning support and access programs.

Particular focus is placed on student learning. Support services are offered through workshops that focus on various learning skills, such as writing for academia, and learning programs such as postgraduate writing techniques, peer assisted study sessions (PASS), peer academic coaches (PAC) and UniEdge, which assists first year students with starting tertiary study.

## Student Centre

The Student Centre is a friendly and efficient hub located at Murdoch's Perth campus, where you can find out a range of information about admissions, advanced standing, enrolments, examinations, fees, graduations, student support, Open Universities, parking and payments and general student administration enquiries.

## Student Guild

The Student Guild offers students opportunities to get involved in student life and to be part of the wider West Australian community. The Guild can help you with a range of services from clubs and societies, finding off-campus accommodation, volunteering opportunities, social events and much more.

# PLANNING YOUR PROGRAM



## Choosing your units

As a Study Abroad or Exchange student at Murdoch, you can choose from the hundreds of units on offer from across our eight of Study Areas. With the freedom to choose your own subjects, you can either elect to study units that complement your home degree, or take your study down an entirely new path by exploring a new subject area.

To study at Murdoch, you will need to enrol in at least 3 units (9 credit points) each semester. To enrol in certain units, you may need to meet particular entry requirements or have completed specified prerequisite study. To explore our full range of units and their entry requirements, visit [murdoch.edu.au/Units](http://murdoch.edu.au/Units)

You should discuss what you intend to study at Murdoch with your home institution before you apply and check if there are any credit approval or transfer forms you need to complete.

To help you better understand how units may be transferred back to your home institution, please see the below credit conversion table. Please note that this table is only a recommendation of credit conversion and your university may choose to follow a different conversion or credit system.

| Murdoch Credit Points    | US Credits | ECTS |
|--------------------------|------------|------|
| 9 Murdoch Credit Points  | 12         | 22.5 |
| 12 Murdoch Credit Points | 15         | 30   |

## The Australian Academic System

Due to the degree of specialisation in the Australian education system, it is a good idea for you to take first and second year level units during your time at Murdoch, even if you are a third year student.

Third year units are available to Study Abroad and Exchange students, however you must satisfy the prerequisite study requirements.

At Murdoch, there is a much greater emphasis placed on self-directed study outside of the classroom. Most units involve on-campus lectures, with additional tutorials and laboratories. Additionally, students are expected to carry-out supplementary study with the assistance of Murdoch's online Learning Management System (LMS) and tutorial direction.



Some of the unique and exciting units you could take as part of your Study Abroad and Exchange experience include:

## Australian Units

- ▶ Introduction to Australian Indigenous Studies (AIS180)
- ▶ Australian Biodiversity (BIO257)
- ▶ Australian Literature and Film (EGL235)
- ▶ Australian Legal Systems (BJU100)

## Popular Units

- ▶ Photography 1 (PHO124)
- ▶ Drugs in Society (BRD202)
- ▶ Introduction to Criminology (CRM100)
- ▶ Social Media (COM101)

## Field Based Units with Excursions

- ▶ Nature-based Tourism (ENV278)
- ▶ Marine Ecology (BIO377)
- ▶ Environmental Biology (BIO103)
- ▶ Managing Wetlands and Water (ENV332)
- ▶ Ecology (ENV241)
- ▶ Communication Project (COM300)
- ▶ Engineering Technology Project (ENG310)
- ▶ Tourism and Events Project (TOU322)

## Internship Units

- ▶ Physical Sciences Internship (PEN310)
- ▶ Sustainable Development Internship Project (SUS532)
- ▶ Working with Indigenous Communities Internship (AIS308)
- ▶ Public Policy Internship (POL340)

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# HOW TO APPLY

## 1 GET APPROVED

To start your application process for Study Abroad or Exchange at Murdoch, you will need to obtain approval from your home institution.

If you are studying at one of our official partner universities, and you have been nominated for a placement at Murdoch, you are known as an Exchange student. To find out if you qualify as an Exchange student, please speak to your home institution.

If you are applying to study at Murdoch directly, even if you are from one of our partner universities, you will be classified as a Study Abroad student. If you are a Study Abroad student, you can apply online at any time [murdoch.edu.au/MyAdmission](http://murdoch.edu.au/MyAdmission)

You can also get help from Murdoch representatives within your home country. For a full list of Murdoch's Registered International Agents, visit [murdoch.edu.au/OverseasRepresentatives](http://murdoch.edu.au/OverseasRepresentatives)

## 2 MEET THE REQUIREMENTS

It is important to check that you meet the entry requirements for studying abroad at Murdoch. These may include, but are not limited to:

- If you are entering Murdoch directly from high school, you must meet our Minimum Entry Requirements;
- If you are currently enrolled in University, you must be in good academic standing at your home institution as per your academic records;
- You must be making sound academic progress at your home institution;
- You must meet our minimum English language requirements (if your first language is not English).



## 3 CHOOSE YOUR SUBJECTS

As a Study Abroad or Exchange student at Murdoch, you can choose units (subjects) from across our eight Study Areas. When selecting units, there are a few things to remember:

- Make sure you get the right start date for your units;
- Ensure you meet any unit prerequisites;
- Know your course codes – this will assist you with your class-sign up and application process;
- Select units at the right level of study.

For more information on deciding what to study, visit [murdoch.edu.au/DecideWhatToStudy](http://murdoch.edu.au/DecideWhatToStudy)

## 4 SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

It is easy to apply for Study Abroad or Exchange at Murdoch, you may even be able to apply online.

If you are an Exchange student, you will receive application instructions after you have been nominated by your home university.

If you are a Study Abroad student, you will need to apply directly online [murdoch.edu.au/SAEApplication](http://murdoch.edu.au/SAEApplication)

We know that applying to study abroad may seem a bit daunting, so that is why we have a dedicated team who will help you and manage your application every step of the way!

## 5 ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

Once your application has been assessed and your unit selections checked, you will be advised of the outcome either by our team at Murdoch or the institution you applied through.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

We recommend that you submit your application to study abroad at Murdoch as soon as possible. Our informal application deadlines are:

- 30 November to begin study in Semester 1 (February to June)
- 31 May to begin in Semester 2 (August to November)

If your application is received after these deadlines, you can still be considered on a case by case basis.



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# ACCOMMODATION

## ON CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

### The Village

If you want to be in the centre of all the on-campus action, you cannot go past life at the Murdoch University Village.

Located at our Perth campus, your classes are right on your doorstep, with direct access to public transport and a range of local shops and on-campus amenities. The Village has stylish, fully furnished apartments available for rent, with options to suit almost any budget.

The Village offers a range of facilities, including:

- ▶ Swimming pool
- ▶ Pool Lounge with a pool table, table tennis & foosball table
- ▶ Rec Room with BBQ's, projection screen and a communal kitchen
- ▶ Beach volleyball and basketball courts
- ▶ Theatre room with surround sound and projector
- ▶ Movie room with satellite TV
- ▶ Group study rooms
- ▶ Four large coin operated laundries

With student experience as a core focus, the Village has an exciting residential-life program designed to help residents meet new people, succeed academically and develop essential life skills.

Events include BBQs, themed dinners and parties, movie nights, sporting events and competitions, writing workshops and so much more.

The Village offers 24-hour staff presence, with resident staff members living on-site and night-time security patrols. There is a team of resident assistants responsible for organising events, assisting new students with their transition into communal living and ensuring adherence to Village rules. Staff also provide support to residents experiencing personal or study problems.

The Village also caters to students with disabilities, providing adapted apartments with modified bedrooms and bathrooms.

### Rates

The rates for 2018 range from \$150.50 weekly for a twin-share bedroom to \$397.50 weekly for a one-bedroom apartment, per semester. If you book your accommodation for the entire university year (42 weeks), rather than just one semester at a time, the rates will be cheaper.

To see all residential rates and accommodation options visit [murdochuv.com.au](http://murdochuv.com.au)

### Murdoch University Village

Telephone: 08 9360 2909

Email: [info@murdochuv.com.au](mailto:info@murdochuv.com.au)

## OFF CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

### Shared Accommodation

Many students often choose shared accommodation where several students share a unit or house near campus. Rent for shared accommodation is typically less expensive than on-campus accommodation, and may cost between \$120-200 per week. In most cases, you will have your own room but will share amenities, such as a kitchen and bathroom, with your housemates.

Students living together in shared accommodation will often have rules for inviting guests, the payment of shared utilities such as electricity and water, and the usage and clean-up of common areas. In shared accommodation, it is important that all residents of the property understand and follow the rules that have been agreed upon.

Accommodation can come furnished or unfurnished. Unfurnished rooms may be cheaper to rent, however you will need to purchase any furniture that you will need such as a bed, desk, and chest of drawers.

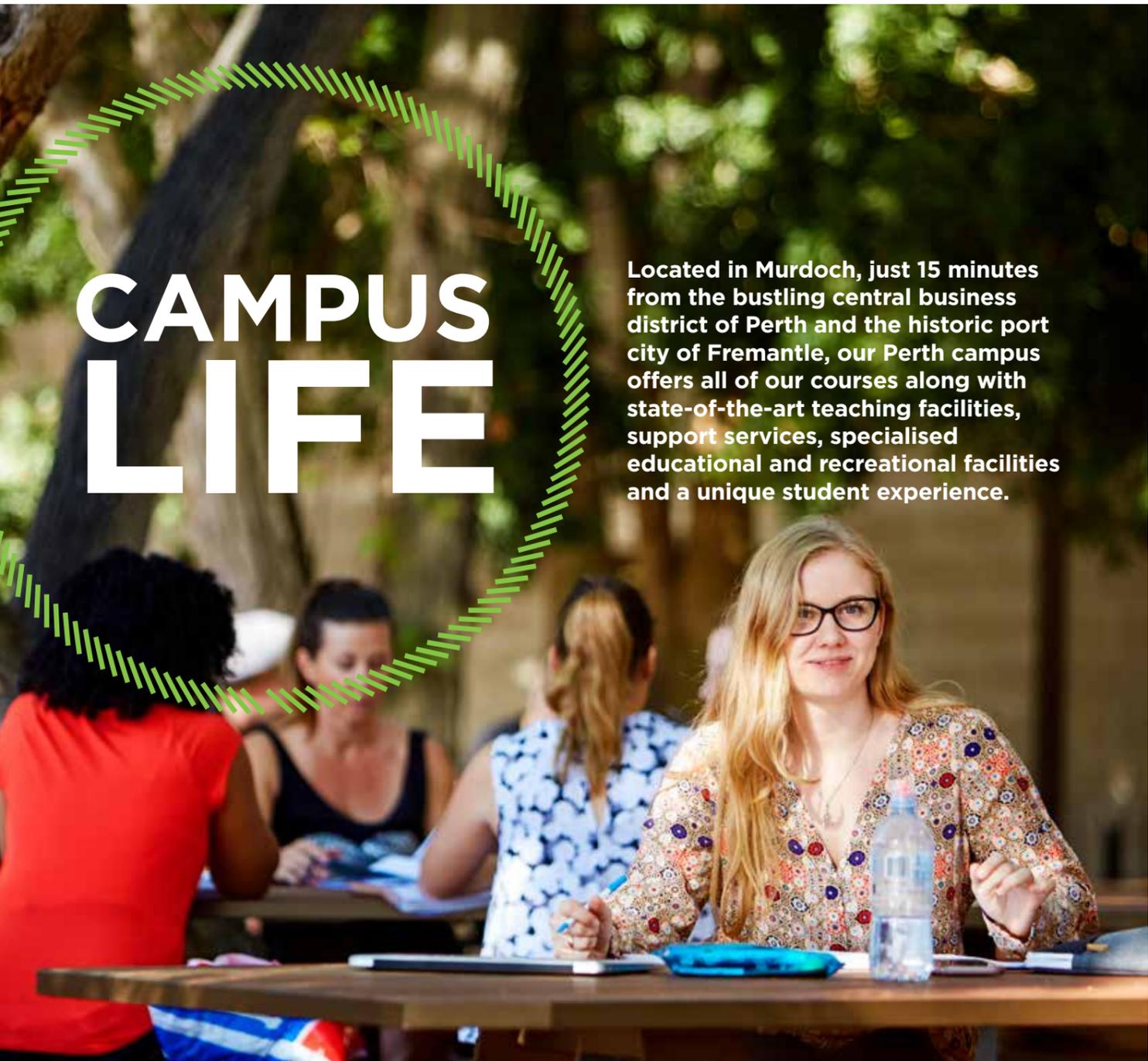
The Murdoch Student Guild has an accommodation database that lists rooms available for rent [murdoch.studystays.com.au](http://murdoch.studystays.com.au)

Alternatively, the Real Estate Institute of Western Australia also lists available rentals around Perth [reiwa.com.au/rent](http://reiwa.com.au/rent)



### Homestay

Homestay accommodation allows you to live with an Australian family while you study. In most cases, you will have your own room but share amenities such as a kitchen and bathroom. Our preferred provider is the Australian Homestay Network (AHN), and you can find more details including prices and meal plan options at [homestaynetwork.org](http://homestaynetwork.org)



# CAMPUS LIFE

Located in Murdoch, just 15 minutes from the bustling central business district of Perth and the historic port city of Fremantle, our Perth campus offers all of our courses along with state-of-the-art teaching facilities, support services, specialised educational and recreational facilities and a unique student experience.

As one of the largest university campuses in Australia, our Perth campus boasts more than 227 hectares of beautiful bush environment, providing our students with the ultimate Australian experience as they study alongside a range of native Australian flora and fauna.

Bush Court is the heart of our Perth campus. In this beautiful garden space, you can go outside to study under the trees or meet up with friends while relaxing on Murdoch's beanbags and deckchairs. Surrounding Bush Court are our food and coffee shops, student support facilities, an extensive library and the newly built Student Hub.

The Student Hub, our new AUD 20 million development, provides our students with a range of services and amenities,

including food outlets, shops, cafes, student kitchen, study places and a great environment to just sit and chat with friends. The Student Hub is the centre of student life here at Murdoch, and it is the best place on campus for you to meet up with your peers, eat and interact with the rest of our Murdoch community.

## STUDENT LIFE

Student life at Murdoch is about so much more than simply learning in your chosen field. As a Murdoch Study Abroad and Exchange student, you will be encouraged to step out of your comfort zone and learn to think outside the box, where getting involved, having fun and making lifelong friends will ensure you have a memorable university experience!

## JOIN!

The Murdoch Student Guild supports over 100 clubs and societies, ranging from those in your field of study to music, gaming and sports groups. Joining one of Murdoch's clubs or societies is a great way for you to get to know other students, collaborate with a diverse group of people, share ideas, attend social functions and take part in industry and nation-wide sporting events.



## SOCIALISE!

Whether you are relaxing on Bush Court or heading to one of Murdoch's many cafes, there is always a great spot to catch up with friends and relax on campus. Even our Tavern is the perfect place to relax and unwind, where you can challenge your mates to a game of pool, catch up for a drink in the beer garden or attend events like open mic and quiz nights or themed parties for end of semester celebrations to Oktoberfest and St Patrick's Day.

## WORKOUT!

The Sports and Recreation Centre offers a fully equipped fitness centre with discounted memberships available for students. If you prefer team sports, you can join a social sports team or become part of a Murdoch sports club. Make sure you look out for the annual UniGames.



## STUDY!

Whether you are studying individually, or collaborating with a group, you will soon make use of the newly refurbished Geoffrey Bolton Library, the resource centre of our Perth campus. As a Murdoch student, you will have access to all the materials you need for your studies, including high demand learning resources, unit readings, online journals, e-books and past exam papers. With our 24/7 learning common area, you can also access computers, internet, printing and scanning services at any time of the day or night.



## GET INVOLVED!

The Murdoch Student Guild run a range of events including Festival Day, Stamp Out Stress Day, the Guild Ball, MarketDaze, Clubs and Societies Day and Multicultural Day, so you will have plenty of opportunities to get involved and meet new people.



## VOLUNTEER!

The Guild Volunteer Hub connects Murdoch students who have a passion for volunteering with community organisations. You can develop new skills and meet new people while doing volunteer work that helps the community or relates to your degree.

## SHOP!

To ensure you are ready for study, visit the Bookshop to get your textbooks, stationery and general merchandise. Second-hand text books are also available on campus through the Student Guild.

## REFUEL!

We have plenty of vibrant cafes and food outlets on-campus. You could grab a tasty bite to eat from one of the food trucks that come onto campus, head to our Tavern to make the most of the daily specials and discounts for student guild members, or visit the Student Hub, where you will find a variety of food options that include Halal certified meals.

## Clubs and Societies

Our clubs and societies are at the heart of campus life and culture at Murdoch, bringing students together outside of an academic environment and providing you with unforgettable experiences, events and friendships.

You could join a club related to your field of study, volunteer for an environmental or community group or pursue your passion in arts, music, gaming or sports. No matter what your interests or hobbies, you will find a club or social group to suit you at Murdoch.

With over 100 clubs and societies on campus, getting involved is easy! All you have to do is visit the Guild website to find a club or society that takes your fancy [murdochguild.com.au/clubs](http://murdochguild.com.au/clubs)



## Events

As part of Murdoch's vibrant campus community, you can get involved with our wide range of on-campus events and activities. Spread throughout the year, campus events are a great way to meet new friends, learn more about the University and make the most of your time in Australia.

### O-Week

During orientation, or "O-Week", you will have the opportunity to meet other local and international students through seminars, excursions, BBQ lunches, dinners and other social activities. O-Week is a great way for you to get to know Murdoch's campus and adjust to life in Perth, where you can get help with:

- ▶ Finding your way around campus
- ▶ Finalising your enrolment and sign-up for classes
- ▶ Sign-up for a student card
- ▶ Organise public transport concession
- ▶ Registering with your Overseas Student Health Cover provider.

### MarketDaze

Bush Court comes alive every Thursday at our Perth campus with a range of different market stalls selling everything from fresh fruit and vegetables to clothing and accessories, jewellery, collectables, computer hardware and software, watches, sunglasses, printing equipment and lots more.

### Stamp Out Stress Day

The perfect opportunity to stamp-out any and all stress in the lead up to exams, Stamp Out Stress Day is an ideal way for you to unwind, relax and forget about your study woes. With a range of free activities on campus, including massages, Netflix marathons and representatives from our Health services to assist with your mental and physical wellbeing, this event makes for a perfect pre-exam break.

Other campus events held throughout the year include:

- ▶ Multicultural Day
- ▶ Festival Day
- ▶ Winter Festival
- ▶ Clubs and Societies Day
- ▶ S.H.A.G Week

To find out more about these events visit [murdochguild.com.au/events](http://murdochguild.com.au/events)

### Murdoch Tavern Events

Enjoy a cold drink, grab a bite to eat, listen to music, watch sport, challenge your mates to a game of pool or chill out in the beer garden, at 'the Tav', the choice is yours! Teeming with weekly events and social gatherings, the Tav is the perfect place to get some friends together for an afternoon sundowner or quick pit stop between classes.

If you are looking for things to do, stop by the Tav for:

- ▶ Themed quiz nights
- ▶ Open-mic nights
- ▶ Oktoberfest and other yearly celebrations
- ▶ Themed parties
- ▶ Speed-friending events

## Sports and Recreation

Staying fit and healthy while living in a new country can be a big task. With so much to remember, see and do, exercise can often be last on your to-do list. Luckily, at Murdoch, you will have all your fitness and sporting needs right at your doorstep. Not only is keeping fit important for your mental wellbeing, it is a great way to meet new people from all over the university and make long-lasting friendships and memories.

### Murdoch Sports

It has been proven that exercise can help you beat stress, improve your focus and have fun. No matter how you like to keep active, you will find something to suit you at Murdoch. Murdoch Sports manages all sport and recreation at Murdoch, with facilities including:

- ▶ A full-sized multi use sports hall for basketball, soccer, netball or hockey
- ▶ Two ¾ sized indoor basketball courts;
- ▶ Six badminton courts
- ▶ Three volleyball courts
- ▶ Outdoor multi-courts for tennis, netball or soccer
- ▶ Outdoor multi-use grassed oval
- ▶ Group fitness room for a range of cardio, yoga and pilates classes
- ▶ Spin indoor cycling studio.

### The Zone Fitness Centre

The Zone Fitness Centre is fully-equipped with cardio equipment and weights. Buy a casual pass or choose from a range of membership options including 6 or 12 months with a monthly direct debit. Your membership will include full access to



The Zone Fitness Centre, group fitness classes, appraisals and a personalised training program.

### Social and Competitive Sports

If you are more into your competitive sports, or want to try something new, why not join one of Murdoch's sports clubs and meet new friends while getting fit and having fun:

- ▶ Murdoch Ultimate Frisbee
- ▶ Mavericks Baseball Club
- ▶ Murdoch University Melville Cricket Club
- ▶ Murdoch Football (AFL)
- ▶ Murdoch Badminton Club
- ▶ Murdoch University Divers Club
- ▶ Murdoch Netball Club
- ▶ Murdoch Tennis Club - email Theo
- ▶ Murdoch Touch Rugby
- ▶ Murdoch Rugby Union
- ▶ Murdoch Rowing
- ▶ Murdoch Kendo Club
- ▶ Murdoch Cheerleading Club

If you are not wanting to commit to a team, but still want to get involved in the sport scene, why not join one of Murdoch Sports social teams? A great way to make friends, the weekly drop-in sessions mean you can come and play when it best suits you with no commitment and no fees:

- ▶ Badminton
- ▶ Tennis
- ▶ Basketball
- ▶ Table Tennis

# STUDENT EXPERIENCES

## Aisling Malone, Ireland Study Abroad, Semester 1 2018

I wasn't expecting to have as good a time as I did at Murdoch. I now have friends from all corners and crevasses of the globe and memories that make me want to book the next plane back to Perth.

From the Orientation Day at Murdoch, you feel so welcomed and involved in life at the University. The group of Study Abroad students is quite small and that means you get the chance to get to know everyone. I met some really special friends during my time at Murdoch, who I intend to visit and keep in contact with. However, you don't just get to hang out with other Study Abroad and Exchange students! I found the Australian students also incredibly inviting and friendly, something that really doesn't happen at my university at home.

There are so many things that made my time in Australia so special, and most of them I did with Murdoch either on an excursion or on the mighty North West trip, which was an incredible adventure in itself.

From swimming with the dolphins in Rockingham, helicopter rides in Margaret river, to tree climbing in Karri Valley, sand-boarding in Lancelin, feeding joeys and petting Kangaroo's at PilRoc retreat. Swimming with Turtles and holding snakes in Coral Bay, to Gorge climbing in Karijini and, most importantly, eating icy poles in Tom Price. Do yourself a favour and head down under to Perth for a semester and make memories that will make you want to eternally go back.



## Kyra Owensby, USA Study Abroad, Semester 2 2018

While studying abroad at Murdoch I was lucky enough to, not only explore Northern WA, but Bali, Indonesia as well. Both experiences were amazing as I was able to share them with some people that I had gotten really close to during my time at Murdoch. Although we can annoy each other to death, it's only because we have shared experiences like hiking Karijini National Park, swimming with turtles, and skilfully stealing a water bottle back from a monkey in the Sacred Monkey Forest.

Perth is a gorgeous place with so many different cultures to explore. But not only that, there's literally something for everyone in the various neighbourhoods around campus. Whether you're looking for food, shopping, adventure, beach, clubbing, or just chilling, you can find it all in Perth. Not to mention the Study Abroad program does its best to make sure us Study Abroad students have every opportunity to explore them.



## Varvara Prokhorenko, Germany Study Abroad, Semester 2 2018

I loved everything about Murdoch, but the trivia nights at the Tav were for sure my favourite on-campus events.

I totally loved that I was staying at the Village, right on campus. Thanks to that I got to know so many people from all around the world and made some really good friends.

I went to Bali with my friends during the first study break and did the North West trip, organized by Murdoch for Study Abroad and Exchange students, during the second break. I totally loved both trips, but the North West trip was just a notch better. I am so glad that we had the opportunity to see a little bit of Australia's outback, I enjoyed every single minute of it. I would definitely recommend it to everyone.

All in all, Murdoch is a very diverse community that gives you the opportunity to challenge how you think, yet always allows you to stay yourself.



## Carmen Nijman, Netherlands Exchange, Semester 2 2018

I loved my time at Murdoch University! If you have any problems, whatever they are, Murdoch will always help you, as everyone there is so hospitable. Another great thing about Murdoch is the trips they organise. We went on the North West Trip and that was such a great experience. We got to see so many beautiful things and it really was such special experience to share that with the people I met at university. Spending a semester at Murdoch is for sure a special memory that you will remember for the rest of your life. I'm so happy that I made the decision to Study Abroad at Murdoch!



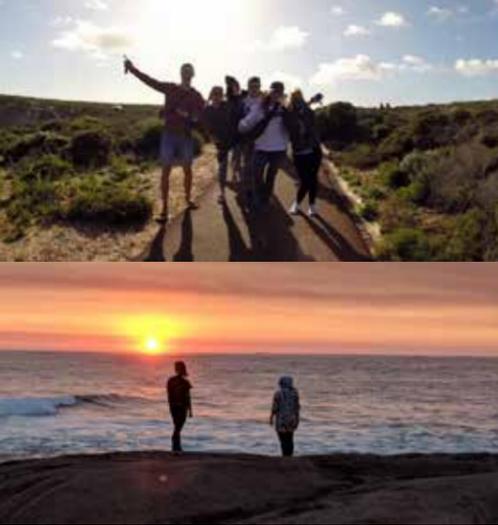
## Francis Jude Zobitz III, USA Study Abroad, Semester 2 2018

Perth truly is a hidden gem waiting to be discovered. The people are wonderful, the environment is clean, the food is unbelievable and the beaches are pristine.

At Murdoch, I loved the openness of the campus and the community that came along with it. Whether you are studying in the library, grabbing 'brekky' (breakfast) in the Student Hub, or enjoying a refreshment at the Tavern, it creates a great sense of belonging.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Murdoch, more specifically, learning about other's cultures and the history of Australia. Australia is a more diverse country than advertised, which contributes to what makes the country so great.

If you are thinking of coming to Murdoch for Study Abroad or Exchange, all I can say is take advantage of every opportunity available to you, because it goes by way faster than you think!



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