ABOUT

Charles Sturt University (CSU) offers a distinctive study experience for international students, giving you the chance to have an Australian experience like no other while studying towards your dream career. You will join a tight-knit community in regional Australia and have opportunities to explore some of the country’s incredible natural environments.

You will benefit from small class sizes while living and studying at one of our campuses in Albury–Wodonga, Bathurst, Canberra, Orange, Parramatta, Port Macquarie or Wagga Wagga, quickly building a network of friends and receiving personalised support from teaching staff.

CSU provides excellent opportunities for practical, hands-on learning using facilities on campus and through strong links with industry. Depending on your course, on-campus facilities include Community Engagement and Wellness Centres for allied health students, state-of-the-art veterinary clinical and pre-clinical centres, design studios, computer laboratories and an award-winning on-campus marketing communication agency. Practical experience using these facilities is complemented by placements in industry, and CSU degrees are developed in collaboration with government and industry bodies to ensure what you are learning is up-to-date and meets the needs of employers.

As well as an excellent study experience, you will have many opportunities to get involved in social activities on campus, through joining a club, attending student events such as trivia nights or band performances, or joining a sporting team.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Read section 6 in Part 1 for general information about admission requirements, including English language proficiency.

Admission requirements are the minimum qualifications you need before you can be selected for admission to a course of study.

As an international student completing one of the following qualifications in 2017, you will apply for admission through UAC and will generally be selected on the basis of your performance in these studies (ie your ATAR or equivalent):

■ an Australian Year 12 qualification (either outside or in Australia)
■ an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma
■ a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) level 3.
When assessing your application, CSU may take any or all of your qualifications or attempts at study into account.

**Limited ATAR**

The University accepts the Limited ATAR for admission purposes – read section 3.4.

**Additional selection criteria**

In addition to achieving the academic requirements for admission, for certain courses you may satisfy additional selection criteria, such as a personal statement, audition or interview. These criteria are taken into account instead of, or in conjunction with, your ATAR or equivalent academic requirements.

Details of additional selection criteria and how applicants can meet these requirements are outlined in the course descriptions. See the Course Finder section 3.4.

If you are undertaking your Year 12 studies offshore and are applying to a course that has additional selection criteria that you will find difficult to meet, contact info.csu@csu.edu.au/contacts/enquiry or call +61 2 6338 6077.

Offers made to applicants who have an ATAR (or equivalent) below the cut-off

CSU has a number of alternative pathways for admission, which may allow applicants to receive an offer to a course even though they have an ATAR or equivalent below the cut-off. They are:

- the Regional Bonus Points scheme
- a strong performance in Year 12 subjects.

For further information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/study-options/pathways.

**Students under 18 years of age**

Before you are granted a student visa, the Australian Government must be satisfied you have appropriate accommodation, support and general welfare arrangements in place for the period that you will be under 18 years of age while in Australia.

CSU does not accept responsibility for welfare arrangements for international students who are under 18 years of age.

For more information on what arrangements need to be in place, visit border.gov.au/Trav/Stud/More/welfare-arrangements-under18.

**Areas of study**

CSU offers a wide range of undergraduate courses in:

- Agricultural and Wine Sciences
- Allied Health and Pharmacy
- Animal and Veterinary Sciences
- Business
- Communication and Creative Industries
- Environmental Science and Outdoor Recreation
- Exercise and Sports Sciences
- Information and Library Studies
- Humanities, Social Work and Human Services
- Information Technology, Computing and Mathematics
- Medical Science and Dentistry
- Nursing, Midwifery and Indigenous Health
- Policing, Law, Security and Emergency Management
- Psychology
- Science
- Teaching and Education
- Theology and Religious Studies.

For course descriptions and information on course structure, visit uac.edu.au/international/course-search or csu.edu.au/courses.

**Tuition fees**

For information about tuition fees, visit the international course search on UAC’s website at uac.edu.au/international/course-search.

Fees are outlined on the Offer of Admission and are held for the duration of your study in that program.

Applicants are required to pay the first session’s fees in advance before an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE) can be issued.

**Student services and amenities fee**

All students will be charged a Student Services and Amenities Fee. For further information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/fees-and-costs.

**Fees policy**

Visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/apply/terms-conditions for more information.

**Living expenses**

Read section 8.3 for general information about living expenses. For further information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/fees-and-costs.

**Scholarships**

Read section 8.4 for general information about scholarships.

Charles Sturt University Foundation Scholarships are available to undergraduate international students and there are some CSU Faculty Scholarships available to international research students. There may also be other scholarship options, including from the Australian Government, international agencies or your own government. For further information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/fees-and-costs/scholarships.

**Sponsored students**

Read section 8.5 for general information about sponsored students.

**Overseas student health cover**

Read section 2.6 for general information about Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

CSU’s preferred provider is Allianz Global Assistance. For further information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/fees-and-costs/overseas-student-health-cover-oshc.

International Student Liaison Officers will be able to assist you with information about other OSHC providers when you arrive at CSU.

**Working while studying**

Read section 2.5 for general information about working while studying. For further information, visit border.gov.au/Trav/Stud/More/Work-conditions-for-Student- visa-holders.

**Preparing for student life**

Once a student has accepted their offer they will be sent a copy of our pre-departure guide. It is important to read the contents of the pre-departure guide very carefully before arriving at a CSU campus. If you have any questions or concerns, contact your International Student Liaison Officer.

For details, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/options/australia/preparing/arrival.

**Acceptance, enrolment, orientation and deferment**

**Acceptance**

Detailed acceptance procedures are provided with your Offer of Admission.

**Enrolment**

Once you have accepted your Offer of Admission and arranged for payment of the required fees, CSU will activate your subject enrolment.

**Orientation**

CSU runs an Orientation Program in the week before classes commence. This program will help you make the transition to living and studying in Australia. The Orientation Program is designed to provide a framework that will allow you to get the most out of your experience both academically and personally.

Orientation Week for Session 1, 2018 starts Monday 19 February and ends Friday 23 February. For more information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/options/australia/new-environment.

**Deferral**

It may be possible to defer your enrolment at CSU for up to 24 months; however, some courses do not have the option to defer. If you receive an Offer of Admission, information about how to apply for deferment will be included in your offer pack.
STUDENT SUPPORT
At CSU we have many services to help you achieve your personal, academic and career goals, including the following.

International Student Liaison Officers
International Student Liaison Officers at CSU are assigned to international students to offer assistance with settling into accommodation and general orientation, including familiarisation with teaching, administrative processes and campus facilities. They can also provide information on city and regional attractions. International Student Liaison Officers are available for ongoing international student support throughout your studies at CSU.

Airport reception
Upon request and free of charge, students arriving at the campus for the first time can be met at Albury–Wodonga, Bathurst, Orange, Port Macquarie or Wagga Wagga airports or train stations. To access this service you will need to submit an International Student Arrival Form online at least one week before your arrival to guarantee pick-up. This service starts at least a week before Orientation Week and continues up to the last day of the first week of classes. The pick-up times are restricted to between 8am and 8pm. For more information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/international/options/australia/preparing.

Once you’re on campus, the team at Student Central can help with all non-teaching questions, including accessing your personal records, changing your enrolment, accessing CSU websites or making counselling and learning skills appointments.

STUDENT AND CAMPUS SERVICES
At CSU, we pride ourselves on our student focus. We are committed to providing you with individual assistance and the support to help make your study experience a constructive and positive one.

CSU provides the latest teaching facilities at all of its locations. Our campuses include a range of practical learning facilities and we use the latest technology to enhance your learning experience. You will have access to technology such as smart boards, modern laboratories, well-equipped computer laboratories and wireless internet access across our campus buildings and spaces.

CSU offers a range of student support services, including academic support and learning skills support, equity programs, and personal support such as health and nutrition advice, counselling and religious support. Campus facilities include gymnasiums and sporting fields, Learning Commons with 24-hour access, Dental and Oral Health Clinics, Indigenous Student Centres and security services.

Meals, snacks and drinks are available at various outlets on campus, with vegetarian and halal options available on request. A variety of student organisations, clubs and societies allow students to expand their networks and get involved in campus life.

For more information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/unilife.

For students with disabilities, CSU has dedicated support services. Email disability@csu.edu.au.

Accommodation
For you to study well and enjoy your time at university, you need to live somewhere that is comfortable, convenient and affordable. At our regional campuses a range of accommodation is offered to suit your budget and lifestyle (ie near your classes, sporting facilities, libraries and computer laboratories). Accommodation on campus is guaranteed for international students who commence their first year of study in Session 1, but you are encouraged to apply as soon as you accept your offer as some types of accommodation fill more quickly than others. With your Offer of Admission you will be provided with links to the campus accommodation options as well as details on the application process for securing accommodation.

As finding suitable accommodation is fundamental to your success and wellbeing at the University, we recommend you start thinking about finding accommodation well before your arrival. For more information, visit futurestudents.csu.edu.au/unilife/accommodation.