ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2020/21

Semester 2, 2020
Teaching: 27 July—23 October
Examinations: (including 1 week study break): 26 October—14 November
Non-teaching study break: 28 September—2 October

Semester 1, 2021
Teaching: 22 February—21 May
Examinations: (including 1 week study break): 24 May—12 June
Non-teaching study break: 5 April—9 April

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Semester 1 (Feb-June): Nominations by 15 November, Application and Documents due by 30 November.
Semester 2: (July-November): Nominations by 30 April, Application and Documents due by 15 May.
Late applications will be considered if there is enough processing time.

NOMINATION INFORMATION

Exchange/Study Abroad partners are required to nominate to UWA first, and then students will receive two emails:

1. To set up an account
2. To complete the application

To nominate a student, please complete the attached nomination spreadsheet and return to the appropriate adviser.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

All supporting documentation must be UPLOADED to the online application:

- Colour copy of passport details page.
- Most recent Official Academic transcript. Postgraduate students must submit their undergraduate transcript. All transcripts must be in English.
- Evidence of English Language Competency.

Students can upload documents onto their online application after they have submitted their application.

Applications will only be assessed once all documentation has been received.
# Academic Information

**Standard academic load per semester**

= **24 credit points**

* Most units (courses) have a value of 6 credit points

**Unit (course) Information / Syllabi:** [UWA Handbook](#)

**NOTE:** the term “course” at UWA refers to the degree program e.g. Bachelor of Science

**NOTE:** the term “unit” at UWA refers to an individual class e.g. BIOL1130 Core Concepts in Biology

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**Class Format:** Lectures, tutorials, labs, practicals.

**Language of instruction:** English.

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## ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

**Undergraduate Students**

⇒ Completion of one semester of study

⇒ Be in Good Academic Standing as determined by the home institution (UWA’s partner university)

⇒ Meet UWA’s English language requirements

**Postgraduate students**

⇒ Completion of a Bachelor’s degree (or equivalent) in order to take classes at a postgraduate level.

**MBA Students:** to be admitted as an exchange or study abroad student into the [UWA (Flexible) MBA program](#) (offered on a trimester basis), students are required to have a minimum of two years professional work experience and an IELTS of 7. *Exchange students are not eligible to enter into the Full Time MBA.*

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### Restricted Courses

If the Agreement is Faculty-based, students may only be exchanged within the relevant faculties as specified within the terms of the Agreement. If the Agreement is a University to University Agreement, students may be exchanged within all faculties. Students may apply for any unit which is part of a standard course of study except for clinical units within the **Schools of Medicine and Dentistry**. Other units may be restricted and some units may also be quota restricted.

Postgraduate Units in the **School of Psychology** are not available to exchange/study abroad students.

Please note that **Core Law** units will not be available to exchange and study abroad students. Please contact your GLO adviser directly for more information on available Law units.

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### Grading Scale

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**Number of credits or units required for completion of first (or equivalent of Bachelor’s) degree:**

This varies depending on the [Degree](#).

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### Registration (Enrolment)

Students can enrol prior to arrival with their [Approved Study List](#). Students may request approval of units by completing a [Proposed Study List](#) in the online application. A UWA Academic Adviser will assess the proposed study plan for pre-requisites and other restrictions. On campus enrolment support and academic advice is offered during Orientation. The add/drop period is open for the first week of classes.
Students for the exchange program to UWA must satisfy one of the standard English Language Competency (ELC) requirements set out below, or such other language proficiency requirements as specified in a formal Memorandum of Agreement.

**UWA Standard English Language Competency Requirements:**

- IELTS 6.5 (no individual band less than 6.0)
- TOEFL (iBT) 82 Overall, with a min score of 22 Listening and Speaking

Additional tests are available [here](#).

**Alternative English Language Pathway (Exchange and Approved Study Abroad Partners only):**

Students who do not meet the standard ELC requirements as set out above may be approved admission to UWA on the basis of the Alternative English Language competency requirements. Students gaining admission via this pathway are assessed on a case by case basis and if approved they must enrol in at least one of the following units in their first semester enrolment:

- **Professional and Academic Communication PACM1100**

**Minimum scores for this conditional offer are:**

- IELTS 6.0 (no band score below 5.5)
- Internet-based TOEFL 70 (17 in Listening, 19 in Speaking, 14 in Reading and 20 in Writing)
- UWA CELT English Language Pathways:
  - English Academic Pathway 65% (no band less than 60%)
  - Bridging Course Module 1 65% / Module 2 60% (no band less than 60%)

**English Language Bridging Courses:**

Students who do not meet the standard ELC or alternative pathway requirements may wish to consider enrolling in the 20 week [English Language Bridging](#) course. Tuition fees are payable but discounts may be available for students from partner universities. Please contact the Global Learning Office if you would like more information or visit the [Centre for English and Teaching](#).

Provided that students meet the academic requirements for entry, students applying for entry as Study Abroad or Exchange will be issued with a Letter of Offer conditional upon the results of the English Language Bridging course.
ARRIVAL AND ORIENTATION

Recommended arrival dates
Students should arrive a day or two before Orientation if housing has already been pre-arranged. Students who have not secured any housing are recommended to arrive at least two weeks prior to the commencement of classes.

Orientation Dates
- Semester 2, 2020—Monday 20 July 2020
- Semester 1, 2021 — Monday 15 February 2021

Cost of orientation program (if any)
Not applicable, however optional excursions will incur a small fee.

AIRPORT PICK UP

A free 24 hour airport pick-up service is available if students have applied for housing in one of the University Residential Colleges, or if their final destination on arrival is within the university precinct (Nedlands, Crawley, Subiaco, Shenton Park or the Perth CBD).

Students can apply for Airport pick-up and Temporary housing once they have accepted their offer!

ACCOMMODATION

ON CAMPUS
Information on on-campus accommodation is available here.
Guaranteed accommodation is available to new commencing students either at one of the residential colleges on campus or at the Perth CBD premises.

College Accommodation Application Process
Students can log onto the UWA Residential College Application Portal and apply to live on campus in one place. They rank their college preferences from 1-5 and the portal will automatically send their application to the college (starting with their first preference). Students should apply for accommodation as early as possible. There is a fee for the housing application.

OFF-CAMPUS
Students can find information about off-campus accommodation online here.
**STUDENT VISA INFORMATION**

**Are students required to obtain a student visa?**

Yes. Once students’ return the signed acceptance contract with applicable payment, UWA will issue a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) document which will allow students to apply for an Australian Student Visa (ASV). Visas can take up to 2 — 4 weeks to be approved.

**Are students allowed to work?**

Students on an ASV can work up to 40 hours per fortnight during semester and unlimited hours during university holidays.

**Working Holiday Visa (WHV)**

Instead of a Student Visa, some students may be eligible to apply for a Working Holiday Visa (WHV). Please see the following website for the different categories and conditions of a WHV.

If students come to UWA on a WHV they should be aware of the following:

- Students are not entitled to Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) but must accept the responsibility to arrange their own health insurance and acknowledge that they must cover their own expenses while in Australia.
- Students will not be covered by the Education for Overseas Students (ESOS) Act which protects the interests of overseas students studying in Australia.

**OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER (OSHC)**

*Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)* is an Australian Student Visa requirement. UWA can arrange OSHC for students through Allianz. Alternatively, students can purchase their own through one of the other Australian Providers. Students must provide evidence of this when submitting their acceptance documents. Further information is available at the Department of Home Affairs.

Most students from Sweden, Norway and Belgium do not have to purchase the OSHC. New Zealand and Australian citizens will be eligible for Medicare and do not require OSHC.

**Are students able to apply for an insurance waiver if they have their own insurance coverage?**

No. OSHC is an Australian Government requirement.

**STUDENT SERVICES**

SESA students have access to same services and facilities as full-degree students. Please see Campus Facilities:

- [Student Services](#)
- [About UWA](#)

**ESTIMATED COSTS**

**Cost of Living**

Please see the following for a full list of estimated costs

**Any fees other than tuition (e.g. student services):**

Compulsory UWA [Students Services & Amenities Fee (SSAF)](#). *Exchange students are exempt from paying the SSAF. However, the fee will be applicable to Study Abroad students and must be paid during the semester. Failure to pay this fee will encumber the student and it will not be possible to release a transcript at the end of the program.*

**TRANSCRIPTS**

Transcripts will be sent at the completion of the exchange period (either August or January) to the home institution or agent where applicable.