



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT

There is specialised staff at Western Sydney University for international students.

Student Central is your first point of contact for general enquiries and advice or you can contact the **Student Welfare Service** if the matter is more complex and personal. Contact us at welfareservice@westernsydney.edu.au or visit westernsydney.edu.au/welfareservice.

If you need assistance outside of business hours, call the After Hours Assistance Line on 1800 735 807. Western Sydney also offers free services for legal issues, counselling, disability support and much more – find out more at our **Services and facilities webpage**.

westernsydney.edu.au/studentsupport

VISA INFORMATION

Enrolment change

Changing your enrolment, taking a leave of absence or resigning from your studies can have visa implications, so it's important you seek advice before making any changes. A **Welfare Officer** can provide advice on visa implications and refer you to relevant Western Sydney or external departments.

Visa extension

International students are expected to complete their study within the timeframe stated on their Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE). If you need to extend your student visa in order to complete your study, please contact studentcentral@westernsydney.edu.au and request a new CoE.

Visas online

The **Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO)** service allows you to check your Visa status and expiry date and to lodge an online visa application.

Post Study Work arrangements

The Temporary Graduate visa allows graduates to work in Australia temporarily after they finish their studies. Check your eligibility on the **Post Study Work arrangements page**.

www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud/Post

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ACADEMIC AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

Western Sydney offers a range of free **English and academic literacy support** to help you achieve your goals, both online and on-campus. We encourage you to take advantage of these programs and make the most out of them! Visit your **campus library** as it's more than a book depository. It provides a huge range of services, facilities and workshops to help you in every facet of your study.

westernsydney.edu.au/workshops
westernsydney.edu.au/library

LOOKING FOR WORK IN AUSTRALIA

Western Sydney Careers provides services to assist students in job searching, resume writing, careers events and workshops, and consultations. To benefit from these workshops and to find jobs, please register at **Western Sydney CareerHub**.

westernsydney.edu.au/careers

Popular job listing pages in Australia include **MyCareer**, **CareerOne** and **Seek**. These are an independent service, not provided by Western Sydney University.

As a student visa holder, you can work up to forty hours per fortnight once your course has commenced. You can work full time hours only during official course holidays as listed on the **University academic calendar**. Some PhD students have unlimited work rights, but find out the rules before you take up work.

To work in Australia you are required to have a **Tax File Number (TFN)** issued by the Tax Office for identification and record keeping. To find out more information on working in Australia while studying, please visit **International Student Support** page.

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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Western Sydney provides many social activities, including weekend **fieldtrips**, **on-campus events**, **sports** and many **student clubs**.

MATES is a mentoring program that provides an opportunity for new students to connect with other students and learn about Western Sydney University life by connecting new students with experienced students.

westernsydney.edu.au/mates

ACCOMMODATION

Before you start looking and decide on a place to live make sure you know all about housing and tenancy rights and laws in Australia. The **Tenants Advice and Advocacy Services** can assist you to learn more. **Western Sydney Student Legal Services** can also assist with legal tenancy issues.

HOUSING OPTIONS

If you want to live with a host Australian family, explore what is available through the Homestay Network and Global Experience.

www.homestaynetwork.com.au
www.globalexperience.com.au

If you want to live independently, **Western Sydney University Village** is an external accommodation provider located on Western Sydney campuses. Popular real estate websites where you may find off-campus housing in Australia include **Domain** and **Realestate**. These sites are not regulated by Western Sydney University.

www.mystudentvillage.com.au/westernsydneyuv